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Research interests

Drug usage patterns, Pharmacogenomics, Prediction of adverse effects

Education

2020 – Present **University of Tartu** – Tartu, Estonia
PhD in Genomics
Supervisors: Professors Lili Milani, Assoc. Prof. Kelli Lehto.

Selected coursework

- *Statistics*: Statistical Data Science;
- *Data analytics*: Data Munging, Visualisation, and Communication; Data Management and Data Carpentry
- *Genetics*: Genetic and Genomic Epidemiology, Behavioural Genetics

2015 – 2019 **University of Southampton** – Southampton, United Kingdom
MSc in Neuroscience (First class honors)

Grants

- 2024 Estonian Center of Excellence of Well-Being Sciences (Estonian Ministry of Science and Education, TK218U6)
- 2022 The Estonian National Mental Health Study LP1GI20539 (RITA1/02-112-03)
- 2021 Using real-world big data from eHealth, biobanks and national registries, integrated with clinical trial data to improve outcome of severe mental disorders" (Real-Ment, Horizon2020, 964874)
- 2021 Management of chronic cardiometabolic disease and treatment discontinuity in adult ADHD patients" (TIMESPAN, Horizon2020, MLTGI21029R (965381).
- 2020 Predicting comorbid cardiovascular disease in individuals with mental disorder by decoding disease mechanisms (CoMorMent, Horizon2020, MP1GI20003R))

2020 Mental morbidity trajectories in COVID-19 across risk populations of five nations (COVIDMENT, Horizon2020, 105668)

Publications

2024 **Cohort Profile Update: Mental Health Online Survey in the Estonian Biobank (EstBB MHoS)**

Triinu Ojalo, Elis Haan, Kadri Kõiv, [...] Kelli Lehto.
International Journal of Epidemiology.

2023 **Socio-demographic and genetic risk factors for drug adherence and persistence: a retrospective nation-wide and biobank study across 5 medication classes and 1 814 521 individuals**

Mattia Cordioli, Andrea Corbetta, Hanna Maria Kariis, [...] Andrea Ganna.
Preprint.

2023 **The role of depression and antidepressant treatment in antihypertensive medication adherence and persistence: Utilising electronic health record data**

Hanna Maria Kariis, Silva Kasela, Tuuli Jürgenson, [...] Kelli Lehto.
Journal of Psychiatric Research.

2022 **Neandertal introgression partitions the genetic landscape of neuropsychiatric disorders and associated behavioral phenotypes**

Michael Dannemann, Yuri Milaneschi, Danat Yermakovich, [...] Stefan M Gold.
Translational Psychiatry.

2022 **T59. A GENOME-WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDY OF EATING DISORDER SYMPTOMS BASED ON THE SCOFF QUESTIONNAIRE**

Tuuli Sedman, Hanna Maria Kariis, Kristi Krebs, Kelli Lehto.
European Neuropsychopharmacology.

2022 **12. CHARACTERIZING SEVERITY-BASED DEPRESSION SUBTYPES USING ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS AND MACHINE LEARNING IN THE ESTONIAN BIOBANK**

Siim Kurvits, Hanna Maria Kariis, Urmo Võsa, [...] Kelli Lehto.
European Neuropsychopharmacology.

2021 **Cohort Profile: COVIDMENT: COVID-19 cohorts on mental health across six nations**

Anna Bára Unnarsdóttir, Anikó Lovik, Chloe Fawns-Ritchie, [...] Unnur Valdimarsdóttir.
International Journal of Epidemiology.

2021 **TU34. ASSOCIATION BETWEEN DEPRESSION DIAGNOSIS, POLYGENIC RISK FOR DEPRESSION AND ANTIHYPERTENSIVE MEDICATION NON-PERSISTENCE**
Hanna Maria Kariis, Silva Kasela, Tuuli Jürgenson, [...] Kelli Lehto.
European Neuropsychopharmacology.

2019 **A primate-specific short GluN2A-NMDA receptor isoform is expressed in the human brain**
Hannah Warming, Chrysia-Maria Pegasiou, Aleksandra Pitera, [...] Mariana Vargas-Caballero.
Molecular Brain.

Teaching experience

- July 2023 **Montor (Social Engineering): Cybersecurity (Pembroke College, University of Cambridge)**
Mentoring students in conducting Open source intelligence scans against the medical sector in the United Kingdom.
- Sept 2023 **Supervisor of a master's student (psychology): (University of Tartu, Estonia)**

Industry experience

- July 2023 – Present **Patrianna Limited (Data analyst)** – Estonia
Provide data-driven recommendations to improve product performance, user experiences, and business outcomes.
- Nov 2021 – Present **Estonian Genome Centre (Junior researcher)** – Gibraltar
Data analytics of genetic, phenotypic, and electronic health record datasets. Development of statistical analyses, bioinformatic analyses, and predictive modelling.
- June 2022 – July 2023 **BVGroup (Data analyst)** – Gibraltar
Analysed data, and created reports on company performance, provided actionable recommendations.
- April 2021 – Oct 2021 **Institute of Genomics, University of Tartu (Genomics Data Specialist)** – Estonia
Data analytics of Mental Health Online Survey of mental health during the second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic among 86 000 Estonian Biobank participants.

Feb 2019 - **The National Institute for Health Development (Analyst)** – Estonia
March 2020 Analysed the feasibility and cost of implementing a Lung Cancer Screening Programme in Estonia.

Talks and tutorials

- Jan 2024 Investigating the genetic liability of side effects leading to discontinuation of antidepressants
Annual conference the Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology and the Institute of Genomics 2024 / oral presentation
- Jan 2023 The role of genetic and epidemiological factors in statin adherence
Annual conference of the Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology 2023 / poster presentation
- Nov 2022 The role of depression and its treatment in antihypertensive medication adherence and persistence
Nordic Society of Human Genetics and Precision Medicine 2022 (NSHG-PM 2022) / poster presentation
- Jan 2022 The association between depression and antihypertensive medication usage
Annual conference of the Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology 2022 / oral presentation
- Oct 2021 Association between depression diagnosis, polygenic risk for depression, and antihypertensive medication non-persistence
World Psychiatric Genetics Conference 2021, poster presentation

Technical skills

Software

TeX, Git, R, SQL (Google BigQuery), Tableau, Looker

Languages

Estonian (fluent), British English (fluent)