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Appointments

2008-present	 Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Research and Statistics Group. Financial Research Advisor, Head of Banking Studies (2022-2025), Assistant Vice President (2018-2022), Research Officer (2015-18), Senior Economist (2014-15), Economist A (2010-14), Economist B (2008-10)
Sep 2016-Feb 2017	Columbia Business School (Sabbatical)
Oct 2013-Mar 2014	NYU, Department of Economics (Sabbatical)
2010-2012	NYU, Visiting Scholar
May 2009, October 2010	CEMFI, Visiting Researcher

Education

2004-2008	PhD Finance (Supervisors: Prof. Hyun S. Shin & Prof. Dimitri Vayanos). The London School of Economics and Political Science
2006-2008	Visiting Student / Visiting Student Research Collaborator. Princeton University - Department of Economics
2003-2004	MSc Finance and Economics The London School of Economics and Political Science
1999-2003	BSc in Business Administration (Finance) Universidad Carlos III de Madrid Ranked first in graduating class (1/355)

Publications

- ◊ "The Market Events of Mid-September 2019," with Marco Cipriani, Adam Copeland, Anna Kovner, Gabriele La Spada, and Antoine Martin, FRBNY Economic Policy Review, 27 (2), August 2021
- ◊ "A Model of the Federal Funds Market: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow," with Roc Armenter and Benjamin Lester, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, 33, 177-204, July 2019

- ◇ "Trade Dynamics in the Market for Federal Funds," with Ricardo Lagos, *Econometrica*, 83 (1), 263-313, January 2015
- ◊ "Do "Too-Big-to-Fail" Banks Take On More Risk?," with João Santos, and James Traina, FRBNY Economic Policy Review, 20 (2), March 2014
- ◇ "Stressed, not Frozen: The Federal Funds Market in the Financial Crisis," with Anna Kovner and Antoinette Schoar, *Journal of Finance*, 66 (4), 1109-1139, August 2011
- ◇ "Liquidity and Congestion," Journal of Financial Intermediation, 20 (3), 324-360, July 2011
 JFI Best Paper Prize for the most significant paper published in 2011
- "Imperfect Common Knowledge in First Generation Models of Currency Crises," International Journal of Central Banking, 3 (1), 81-111, 2007

WORKING PAPERS

- ◊ "The Optimal Supply of Central Bank Reserves under Uncertainty," with Gabriele La Spada, Thomas M. Mertens, and John C. Williams
- ◊ "Banks Balance-Sheet Costs, Monetary Policy, and the ON RRP," with Marco Cipriani and Gabriele La Spada
- ◊ "Scarce, Abundant, or Ample? A Time-Varying Model of the Reserve Demand Curve," with Domenico Giannone, Gabriele La Spada, and John C. Williams
- ◊ "How Abundant Are Reserves? Evidence from the Wholesale Payment System," with Darrell Duffie, Lorenzo Rigon, and Hyun Song Shin
- ◊ "Monetary Policy Implementation with an Ample Supply of Reserves," with Kyungmin Kim, Antoine Martin, Ed Nosal, Simon Potter, and Sam Schulhofer-Wohl
- ◇ "An Empirical Study of Trade Dynamics in the Market for Federal Funds," with Ricardo Lagos
- ♦ "Trading Partners in the Interbank Lending Market," with Anna Kovner and Antoinette Schoar

Referee Experience

Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Finance, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Financial Intermediation, Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, Review of Economic Dynamics, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, International Economic Review, Annals of Finance, Finance Research Letters, International Journal of Central Banking, Financial Stability Series of the Bank of England, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, National Science Foundation.