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Research interests

Sridhar aims for impact driven research that brings together the natural and social sciences related to health with philosophical reasoning, particular ethics and social justice theories.

His current research interests and projects cover the following topics:

- the place of health in theories of social/global justice, with primary focus on the capabilities approach;
- the philosophical construction of a moral/human right to health;
- global justice and health inequalities;
- the ethics of addressing social determinants of health and social gradient in health;
- philosophy and ethics of health economics;
- philosophy and ethics of epidemiology and evidence based health policies.

Sridhar is currently working various book projects that focus on the modern history and current issues in global health ethics, the philosophy of public health, and global health justice.

He recently co-edited *Vulnerable: The Policy, Law and Ethics of COVID-19* (Ottawa: University of Ottawa Press).

He welcomes communication with prospective PhD students in public and global health with projects that have significant philosophical components, as well as from philosophy students in public health ethics, global health ethics, and global justice.

Qualifications

Social & Political Philosophy, Doctor of Philosophy, Health Justice - The Capability to be Healthy, University of Cambridge
Award Date: 1 Jan 2009

Social & Political Sciences, Master of Philosophy, University of Cambridge
Award Date: 1 Oct 2004

Global / Public Health, Master of Science, Harvard University
Award Date: 1 Jun 2000

International Relations, Bachelor of Arts, Brown University
1 Sept 1989 → 1 Jun 1994
Award Date: 1 Jun 1994

History, Year Abroad, SOAS University of London
1 Sept 1991 → 30 Jun 1992

Employment

Senior Lecturer

Population Health Sciences
King's College London
United Kingdom
1 Jul 2020 → present

Sr. Research Associate

University of Johannesburg
Johannesburg, South Africa

Research outputs

What is a justice-oriented approach to global health?

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A living WHO guideline on drugs to prevent covid-19

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Accounting for the future of health in India

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Justice and Global Health Research

Venkatapuram, S., 21 Sept 2016, (E-pub ahead of print) In: *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF BIOETHICS*. 16, 10, p. 46-66

On Health Justice. Some Thoughts and Responses to Critics

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Chiappero-Martinetti, E. & Venkatapuram, S., Jun 2014, In: *Etude de la Population Africaine*. 28, 2, p. 708-720 13 p.

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Projects

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NIHR National Institute For Health & Care Research
1/06/2017 → 31/01/2022

Capabilities theory and global population-level bioethics.
Venkatapuram, S.
Wellcome Trust
1/04/2014 → 31/03/2016

Health systems strengthening through person-centred care: development of a feasible and acceptable theory-based workforce approach to improve quality
Harding, R., Nkhoma, K., Venkatapuram, S. & Bristowe, K.
MRC Medical Research Council

1/02/2020 → 31/01/2022

Mental Health and Justice

Owen, G., Craigie, J., David, A., Happe, F., Kienzler, H., Richardson, G., Roush, S., Shea, N., Stanton-Ife, J., Venkatapuram, S., Walsh, P., Pollitt, A. & Rubin, J.

Wellcome Trust

1/01/2017 → 8/09/2022

MSc Global Health & Social Justice

Venkatapuram, S. & Kelly, A.

Wellcome Trust

1/01/2019 → 31/08/2025

Senior Fellowship (WHO Placement & Global Health Justice Research)

Venkatapuram, S.

Wellcome Trust

21/03/2018 → 20/09/2019

SmartCOVID: The Smartphone Pandemic: Mobile technologies and data in the COVID-19 response

Venkatapuram, S.

Research Council of Norway

15/06/2020 → 31/08/2022