

1. A brief overview of your qualifications, career history, professional expertise and major publications.

I have a BSc in Mathematics and Philosophy, An MSc in Medical Statistics, A PGDip in Data Science, A PGCILT in Teaching, and a PhD in Medical Statistics and Epidemiology. I have over a decade of experience in data analysis and public health. I am an Assistant Professor of Disease outbreaks and Humanitarian emergencies at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

My publications are listed here: <https://scholar.google.nl/citations?user=xgaKBUYAAAAJ&hl=en>

2. A list of the groups (i.e. SAGE and/or any of its sub-groups) in which you have been a participant, and the relevant time periods.

I was a member of SPI-M from the April 2021 to the end of SPI-M meetings. I attended some SPI-M meetings prior to April 2021 to present results of the CoMix study.

3. An overview of your involvement with those groups between January 2020 and February 2022, including:

- a. When and how you came to be a participant;

I became a member in April 2021. The results of the CoMix study which I led were being presented weekly so it made sense for me to be the person to present them and attend weekly.

- b. The number of meetings you attended, and your contributions to those meetings;

I attended most but not all meetings from April 2021 onwards, I attended a few prior to this. My main contribution was to present the results of the CoMix study which was run between March 2020 and Feb 2022 in the UK.

- c. Your role in providing research, information and advice.

Presenting results on the CoMix study and advice around contact behaviour.

4. A summary of any documents to which you contributed for the purpose of advising SAGE and/or its related subgroups on the Covid-19 pandemic. Please include links to those documents where possible.

All reports I was first author on for presenting to SAGE and SPI-M are held here <https://cmmid.github.io/topics/covid19/comix-reports.html>

They are also stored here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cmmid-social-contacts-in-the-uk-from-the-comix-so>

[cial-contact-survey](#)

I contributed to other reports that were led by other members of SPI-M which can be provided by them.

5. A summary of any articles you have written, interviews and/or evidence you have given regarding the work of the above-mentioned groups and/or the UK's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. Please include links to those documents where possible.

As mentioned my publications are listed here:

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Further information on the CoMix study, including links to newspaper articles of which I am aware can be found here:

<https://www.uhasselt.be/en/aparte-sites-partner-en/epipose/the-comix-study>

6. Your views as to whether the work of the above-mentioned groups in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic (or the UK's response more generally) succeeded in its aims. This may include, but is not limited to, your views on:

a. The composition of the groups and/or their diversity of expertise;

I am not in a position to be able to judge this. The calls were via zoom and I do not know all of the individual members. There were at least over 50 people.

b. The way in which the groups were commissioned to work on the relevant Issues;

I joined after the group was formed.

c. The resources and support that were available;

The secretariat were supportive and helpful. I think a considerable amount of advice and work was provided for free.

d. The advice given and/or recommendations that were made;

This is too general a question to comment on.

e. The extent to which the groups worked effectively together;
It was some of the most productive, selfless, and effective working I have ever experienced.

- f. The extent to which applicable structures and policies were utilised and/or complied with and their effectiveness.

I am not sure I understand what is meant by this question.

7. Your views as to any lessons that can be learned from the UK's response to the Covid-19 pandemic, in particular relating to the work of the above-mentioned groups. Please describe any changes that have already been made, and set out any recommendations for further changes that you think the Inquiry should consider Making.

I would say that as an individual my experience is limited to the tireless work of individuals providing the best possible evidence to decision makers over an extended period of time.

8. A brief description of documentation relating to these matters that you hold (including soft copy material held electronically). Please retain all such material. I am not asking for you to provide us with this material at this stage, but I may request that you do so in due course.

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