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# I. Burnet Institute

# **April Holmes**



April is a project manager within the TB Working Group at Burnet, supporting TB and COVID-19 projects in Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and Timor-Leste. She has held project coordination roles in the international health sector for the last three years, and the broader NGO sector for seven years. April holds a BA (International Studies) with Honours from Monash University and is interested in program evaluation and improving inclusion in development.

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## **Brendan Allen**



Brendan Allen is an experienced executive and clinical and public health professional with over 25 years of experience in the health sector (nursing, international health and health service management). For 20 years, he has led teams providing strategic planning activities, program management and technical assistance in low and middle-income countries within the academic, private and NGO sectors.

Brendan is the Executive General Manager — Business Development and Funding Partnerships at Burnet Institute and is responsible for partnership engagement and developing opportunities with government donors, UN agencies and multilateral organisations.

IndoPacLab role: Executive
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### **Leanne Robinson**



Professor Leanne Robinson BSc Adv (Hons) PhD MPHTM is a leading vector-borne diseases researcher. An NHMRC Fellow and Senior Principal Research Fellow, Leanne is Program Director of Health Security and Head of the Vector Borne Diseases and Tropical Public Health Group at the Burnet Institute.

Leanne is a recognised expert in malaria epidemiology and implementation research for the control and elimination of malaria and neglected tropical diseases. She leads a highly collaborative and inter-disciplinary research program, with strong links to disease control programs.

Leanne spent 10 years living and working in Papua New Guinea (PNG), leading the implementation of novel cohort studies and intervention trials at the PNG Institute of Medical Research.

IndoPacLab role: Executive Steering Committee; Country Lead and Co-Chair, PNG

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# **Philipp Ducros**



**IndoPacLab role:** Technical Advisory Group

Philipp is an infectious diseases specialist with more than 15 years of extensive clinical and public health experience, and over 10 years' experience in the management of TB/HIV programs. He has worked as a TB/HIV advisor, and supported program implementation and research in a range of settings. He has worked with MDR TB programs across Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, India, Myanmar, Uganda, Swaziland and Zimbabwe.

Philipp's work has a strong focus on research, in particular in the development of shorter treatment regimens for MDR TB. In addition, Philipp is an expert member of both the WHO Guidelines Development Group for Isoniazid Resistant TB Guidelines, and the European Research Initiative for Tuberculosis.

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# II. Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI)

# **Arika Garg**



IndoPacLab role: Executive Steering Committee, Consortium member - Cambodia and Laos, International Networking Group Arika Garg is a Senior Manager in CHAI's Global Laboratory Services Team. She has 10 years of experience in the fields of public health and business management. She manages CHAI's diagnostics program in the Southeast Asia-Pacific region, as well as CHAI's supply-side work in the diagnostics space globally. More recently, her work has focused on supporting countries in the Southeast Asia-Pacific region, as well as in sub-Saharan Africa, on their Covid-19 response.

Prior to CHAI, Arika worked as a research analyst for a U.S. public health research organization, as well as a management consultant with Bain & Company. She holds an MBA from the Yale School of Management.

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### **Emi Okamoto**



Emi Okamoto is a clinical and public health professional focusing on introduction and scale-up of HIV and viral hepatitis diagnostics. After years of training and practicing as an internist physician, she now works to increase access and affordability to testing in over ten focal countries of Southeast Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. Emi explores existing and new solutions through decentralization of testing, as well as increasing comprehensive screening of diseases and integrating testing networks.

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# **Garrett Young**



Garrett Young is the Country Director for CHAI in Lao PDR. He is an experienced public health manager with more than 10 years' experience leading teams in Africa and Asia. Through his career, he has overseen programs in communicable disease, health financing, maternal and child health, and health systems strengthening. He has led the Lao PDR team since 2015 and currently oversees more than 50 staff doing work across eight program areas in the country.

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Organization: Clinton Health Access Initiative

Position: Country Director, Lao PDR

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### **Giselle Hadley**



Giselle is the Deputy Country Director for CHAI Cambodia, supporting the country's malaria and laboratory programmes. Giselle has 10 years' experience in the health sector, specialising in systems strengthening projects, including health financing, health workforce and health information systems. She has worked across countries in Africa and Southeast Asia and brings experience in the design and implementation of complex, multi-stakeholder health systems.

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# **Paolo Maggiore**



has over 15 years of experience in business consulting and public health. At CHAI, he has led the country work in the field of laboratory services in over 25 countries in Africa and Asia across HIV, HCV and TB. The work done covers the end-to-end continuum of care, from advising suppliers on developing and marketing new and more effective diagnostic products to designing and executing service delivery models to increase access to patients diagnosed and cured/on treatment.

Paolo Maggiore is a Director at the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI). He

Prior to CHAI, Paolo worked as a consultant at UNDP and business consultant at Accenture.

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# **Shaukat Khan**



Shaukat Khan is a Senior Scientist on the Global Laboratory Services Team. He is an Epidemiologist and Microbiologist trained in virology and immunology. He brings over 10 years of experience in operational research, implementation science, laboratory diagnosis and program management. He is a cross-cutting technical expert supporting work across all of CHAI's disease areas and geographies, but the bulk of his experience comes from working on HIV and TB diagnostics. He is also increasingly involved in CHAI's work on COVID-19 diagnostic and testing strategies.

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# **Trevor Peter**



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Trevor Peter PhD, MPH is Senior Director for Laboratory Services at the Clinton Health Access Initiative. Dr. Peter is a public health expert with over 15 years of experience in epidemiology, clinical research and diagnostic medicine across both human and animal health. He has been a technical advisor to governments and partners on scaling up diagnostics tests and laboratory capacity strengthening and countries in Asia, Africa, Central and South America, and Eastern Europe. Trevor has also been an expert advisor to the WHO, the US CDC and a number of technical and implementing agencies.

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# III. Doherty Institute

# Deborah Williamson



Professor Deborah Williamson is a Clinical and Public Health Microbiologist, Professor / Director of the Victorian Infectious DIseases Reference Laboratory and Microbiology at the Royal Melbourne Hospital and the Doherty Institute and a laboratory head in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Melbourne. Her research group at the Doherty Institute focuses on the application of genomic technologies to clinical microbiology and public health, with a strong focus on antimicrobial-resistant pathogens. She is an NHMRC Investigator Grant recipient and received a L'Oreal-UNESCO Women in Science Fellowship in 2017, and was awarded the 2020 Frank Fenner Award for research by the Australian Society for Infectious Diseases.

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#### Ben Howden



Professor Benjamin Howden is Director of the Microbiological Diagnostic Unit Public Health Laboratory and Medical Director of Doherty Applied Microbial Genomics, at the Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity, Australia. He has an extensive program of work in public health research, with a focus on pathogen genomics and antimicrobial resistance, regional capacity building and training and genomics, including national and regional coordination and implementation of pathogen genomics into clinical and public health practice.

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#### **Marilyn Ninan**



Dr Marilyn Ninan (M.D.) is a clinical microbiologist trained at the Christian Medical College, Vellore. She currently works as a research fellow at the Peter Doherty Institute and also holds an Associate Professor position at the Department of Clinical Microbiology, CMC Vellore. She brings to the consortium experience in the implementation of diagnostics for infectious diseases, particularly tuberculosis, in resource limited settings and is a trained auditor for laboratories. Her research interests are mycobacterial diseases and mycology, with a special focus on drug resistant tuberculosis. She is passionate about universal access to health and leveraging existing systems to provide comprehensive healthcare across all settings.

**IndoPacLab role:** Technical Advisory Group

**Organization:** The Peter Doherty Institute, Melbourne, VIC

**Position:** Research Fellow

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# **Chantel Lin**



Chantel Lin is the Program Manager for Antimicrobial Resistance and Genomics at the Doherty Institute. She is responsible for the management of programs focussed on antimicrobial resistance, microbial genomics and public health, including translational research projects, national and regional capacity building and training programs, coordination of collaborative partnerships and public health networks, and contribution to the Institute's strategic initiatives across her work areas. Chantel holds a Master of Public Health from the University of Melbourne, her interests include translational research and training programs to understand and combat antimicrobial resistance, and the translation of microbial genomics into public health and clinical microbiology.

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Manager

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# IV. FIND (Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics)

### Archana Beri



Archana Beri has worked with FIND since January 2021 as Medical Officer. She is a Clinical Microbiologist trained in infectious diseases, laboratory medicine, and hospital and laboratory quality systems, with expertise in clinical research, public health development and health diplomacy. She brings with her more than 15 years' experience in international health, programme management, laboratory diagnosis, clinical medicine and artificial intelligence in life sciences.

Archana supports Diagnostic Network Optimization for TB and COVID-19, and Lab QMS and accreditation for FIND-India.

**IndoPacLab role:** Technical Advisory Group

Organization: FIND

Position: Medical officer India

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### **Heidi Albert**



Heidi Albert is the Head of FIND South Africa and has >20 years of experience in TB diagnostics development and implementation in low resource settings. From 2012-2016 she was the Principal Investigator for FIND's CDC-funded Cooperative agreement, "Building Global Capacity for Diagnostic Testing of Tuberculosis, Malaria and HIV through Laboratory Strengthening and Integration of Services" under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

IndoPacLab role: Technical Advisory Group

**Organization: FIND** 

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#### **Olukunle Akinwusi**



Olukunle is the Technical Officer for Digital Access at FIND supporting the Head of Digital Access to design and implement solutions to complex public health problems using innovative digital health solutions across multiple disease/program areas to improve access to diagnostic services for patient monitoring and timely treatment initiation. An Information-Systems, Al and High-Performance Computing expert who has led the development and rollout of scalable digital health projects across countries.

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### Rigveda Kadam



Rigveda Kadam is the Head of Digital Access at FIND and has worked with various governments, industry players and partners for increasing access to key services for improved public health outcomes. In her current role, she leads a multi-country project on digital tools evaluation for strengthening COVID response, leads a collaborative project with WHO's digital health team and oversees a project on use of open-source digital solutions for automated extraction/use of data from the GeneXpert for TB and DR-TB patient tracking. Rigveda is a member of the WHO Roster of Digital Health Experts.

IndoPacLab role: Technical

**Advisory Group** 

**Organization: FIND** 

Position: Head of Digital Access

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# Sanjay Sarin



Sanjay Sarin is responsible for leadership of FIND India and FIND's country programmes across the globe. Sanjay has been extensively involved in the lab strengthening projects for TB, HIV, Hepatitis C and the current COVID-19 response as well as for QMS in India and South- East Asia.

Sanjay joined FIND from Becton Dickinson (BD), where he was Regional Director of Global Health for the Asia Pacific region and was responsible for design, development, and implementation of BD's public health strategies.

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### Sarabjit S Chadha



Sarabjit S Chadha is a clinician by training, with over 15 years of experience in clinical and programmatic management of Tuberculosis (TB), including drug-resistant TB. His other areas of expertise and interest are vector-borne diseases, infection control, and health system strengthening. He is a **core group member of the Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI)** which is a network of international partners dedicated to accelerating and expanding access to quality assured laboratory services in response to the diagnostic challenges of TB.

**IndoPacLab role:** Executive Steering Comittee

**Organization: FIND** 

Position: Regional Technical Director - India & SE Asia

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# V. Kirby Institute

## **Andrew Vallely**



Professor Andrew Vallely is a clinical epidemiologist at the Kirby Institute UNSW Sydney, and the PNG Institute of Medical Research, Goroka. Andrew has led multi-disciplinary collaborative research teams in low- and middle-income countries for more than 25 years in the epidemiology and prevention of HIV, sexually transmitted and other infectious diseases, working in Kenya, Tanzania, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu. His research focusses on evaluating innovative solutions to improve women's reproductive health in high-burden settings; and in the last decade has led the search for effective, scalable, and cost-effective same-day HPV testing and treatment strategies for cervical screening in PNG and other high-burden countries in our region.

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Position: Program Head

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### **Anthony Kelleher**



Professor Tony Kelleher, a clinician scientist is Director of the Kirby Institute at UNSW Sydney. His expertise in clinical research and immunovirology has underpinned his role in multiple phase 1 to phase 4 clinical trials and cohort studies exploring the treatment and prevention of HIV infection, especially in the conduct of correlative laboratory-based studies. In the last 18 months he has pursued the development of passive immunotherapies for COVID-19.

**IndoPacLab role:** Executive Steering Committee

**Organization:** Kirby Institute, UNSW Sydney

**Position:** Director

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### **Divya Jacob**



Divya manages and coordinates multiple complex national and international research projects in Australia, South- East Asia and the Pacific.

Divya has over 15 years' experience across private, not for profit and academic sectors in Australia and India. She brings extensive experience in media and communication, project management, education and office management.

**IndoPacLab role:** Program Coordinator

**Organization:** Kirby Institute, UNSW Sydney

**Position:** Program Coordinator

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### John Kaldor



IndoPacLab role: Kirby Institute Chair, Executive Steering Committee John Kaldor is a NHMRC Senior Principal Research Fellow and Professor at the Kirby Institute, UNSW Sydney. For over 30 years he led internationally recognised research programs on the epidemiology and prevention of infectious diseases with a particular focus on blood borne viral infections, sexually transmitted infections, and neglected tropical diseases. With over 770 peer reviewed scientific publications and extensive collaborations in countries of the Asia-Pacific region, Professor Kaldor has been a highly influential contributor to public health knowledge and policy.

**Organization:** Kirby Institute, UNSW Sydney

Position: Global Health Lead

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# Liza Doyle



Liza Doyle (MPH, RN) is the International Training and Development Manager at the Kirby Institute and Program Director of the IndoPacLab program.

Liza has extensive experience leading and managing health programs in the private, non-government and academic sectors, working in Vietnam, Papua New Guinea, Cambodia, Myanmar, Indonesia, Malaysia, Fiji and Australia.

With a strong interest in the prevention and management of infectious diseases, Liza's work focuses on strengthening regional capacity and global health partnerships to improve health outcomes in low- and middle-income countries. Liza oversees a range of international health initiatives at the Kirby Institute, including the CHART Program, a regional HIV research capacity building initiative.

IndoPacLab role: Program

Director

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Position: International Training and Development Manager

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## **Louise Causer**



**IndoPacLab role:** Technical Advisory Group

Dr Causer (MBBS, MScPH, DTM&H, PhD) is a Senior Lecturer and NHMRC Early Career Research Fellow at the Kirby Institute. She is an alumnus of the US CDC Epidemic Intelligence Service. During her career, she has worked as a clinician, medical epidemiologist and academic across a range of infectious diseases and international settings. Dr Causer currently leads the monitoring and evaluation and connectivity themes supporting the implementation of POC testing for STIs in remote Aboriginal primary health services across Australia (TTANGO3). She leads the connectivity theme and is the NSW and WA coordinator supporting POC testing for COVID-19 as part of the Commonwealth funded Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander COVID-19 POC testing program.

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### Michaela Riddell



Dr Michaela Riddell, BAppSc(MLS), Grad Dip Epidemiol&Biostats, PhD, is a highly skilled multidisciplinary scientist trained in Laboratory Diagnostic Serological and Molecular Virology with a PhD in public health/laboratory epidemiology. She has extensive experience in programme management and implementation research. She has extensive experience in developing and managing QAP programmes and was a member of the RCPA serologyQAP Scientific Advisory Network 2005 – 2015. She has extensive experience as a consultant for the World Health Organization (WHO) in laboratory and epidemiology capacity building in developing countries, in particular Fiji and Papua New Guinea.

IndoPacLab role: Technical Advisory Group, PNG – consortium member and incountry personnel **Organization:** Kirby Institute, UNSW Sydney

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## **Philip Cunningham**



Associate Professor Philip Cunningham OAM is the Chief Scientist at the NSW State Reference Laboratory for HIV at St Vincent's Hospital in Sydney and is the Deputy Director of Research & Chief Operating Officer for the St Vincent's Centre for Applied Medical Research. As a qualified lead auditor he has implemented laboratory quality management programs in resource constrained settings in South East Asia and the Western Pacific for more than 20 years. His research interests include testing strategies for acute HIV infection, public health surveillance of target priority populations for HIV and STI improving uptake and to increase demand for testing including near patient testing. He has consulted widely for WHO and US CDC for HIV diagnostics including HIV drug resistance.

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### Vanessa Price



Vanessa Price is the Program Manager for the IndoPacLab Program at the Kirby Institute, UNSW.

Vanessa is a public health professional experienced in managing complex multi-stakeholder programs in Australian and international settings. Vanessa focuses on building strong collaborative relationships to improve program outcomes.

IndoPacLab role: Program

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**Position:** Program Manager

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