

Declaration of interests form

Instructions: You should declare and describe any present or past affiliations or other involvement in any organisation or entity that might lead to a real or perceived conflict of interest. You should report relationships that were present during the last 36 months. You should declare potential conflicts even if you are confident that your judgement is not influenced. Further details can be found in Cochrane's policy on [conflict of interest and Cochrane Reviews](#).

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1. Financial interests

a) Received research funding: any grant, contract or gift, commissioned research, or fellowship from any organisation related to health care or medical research (for example Cochrane, a non-governmental organisation, a pharmaceutical or medical device company, a healthcare charity or a patient advocacy group) to conduct research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

b) Had paid consultancies: any paid work, consulting fees (in cash or kind) from an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details: I was paid for 37.5 hours I spent writing the patient version of Finnish ME/CFS treatment guidelines.

c) Received honoraria: one-time payments (in cash or kind such as travel expenses) from an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

d) Served as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or held a position of management with an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

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Yes

If yes, please provide details:

e) Possessed share-holdings, stock, stock options, equity with an organisation related to health care or medical research (excludes mutual funds or similar arrangements where the individual has no control over the selection of the shares)?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

f) Received personal gifts from an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

g) Had an outstanding loan with an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

h) Received royalty payments from an organisation related to health care or medical research?

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

2. Non-financial interests

Do you have any other interests that would reasonably appear to be related to the primary interest? Such interests could include, but are not limited to, publicly declaring any strong opinions about this health area, unpaid membership of committees, advisory boards or patient advocacy groups in this health area, and being a named author of a study that might be included in this review.

No

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

I've been a board member of Suomen lääketieteellinen ME/CFS-yhdistys ry (Finnish Medical ME/CFS Association), a patient association, since its foundation in 2017. Currently I'm the chairman of the association.