

## Meet the Associate Editors of *The Journal of Primary Health Care*



**Dr Ofa Dewes** is a Pacific Health Researcher at the University of Auckland's Department of Molecular Medicine & Pathology, and School of Nursing. She is also an Associate Investigator of the Maurice Wilkins Centre for Molecular Biodiscovery, a national Centre of Research Excellence hosted by the University of Auckland. Strong connections with Pacific countries and peoples have influenced the direction of her research in ethnic-specific studies across the lifespan especially in noncommunicable diseases, family caring, and the church's role in promoting health and wellbeing. Among other committee work, Ofa is Chair of the Health Research Council's Pacific Research Committee. Ofa is Fiji-born of Rotuman, Tongan, and Tuvaluan ethnicity, with affiliation to Ngāti Porou.



**Dr Ben Gray** works as a GP in a high needs multi-ethnic inner city practice and as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Primary Health Care and General Practice at the University of Otago Wellington. His main research interests relate to cross cultural care; working with interpreters, understanding cultural competence and the relationship between ethics and cultural competence. He convenes the undergraduate course in professional development and ethics. He has particular interests in interprofessional practice, understanding the complexity of practice and the culture of medicine.

No photo supplied

**Dr Lik-Wei Loh**, Department of General Practice and Rural Health, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand



**Dr Nataly Martini** is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, University of Auckland. Her research covers a broad range of areas including medication adherence, patient's and health professional's perspectives in disease and/or medication management, and interprofessional learning and education. Currently her main area of interest is the use of technology to support and guide clinical reasoning.



**Dr. Alex Romain** works as a rural GP in Canterbury. His clinical interests are rural and remote medicine. His main non-clinical interests are medical media and education. He was awarded the Clegg scholarship for medical journalism by the BMJ in 2010, where he contributed editorial content and produced a series of educational podcasts. He has also peer reviewed medical textbooks for Elsevier. He studied at KCL and UCL and has a background in molecular and translational research.



**Dr Alesha Smith** is a health researcher based at the School of Pharmacy, University of Otago. Her research is themed around informing health policy and practice to improve patient outcomes. Dr Smith covers a broad range of research topics with collaborators from multiple disciplines. She has a particular interest in pharmacoepidemiology, health technology, maternity care and non-medical prescribing.