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His research focuses on democracy and international disputes, explanations for interstate wars, and, most recently, the causes of civil and especially ethnic violence. He is presently working on a book manuscript with David Laitin on civil war since 1945.

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