Equity in agriculturenutrition-health research:

What have we been researching, and where are the gaps?

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EQUITY IN ANH RESEARCH: A SCOPING REVIEW

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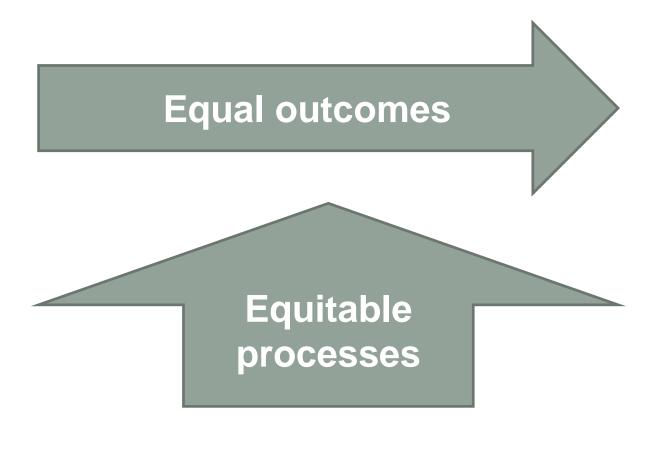
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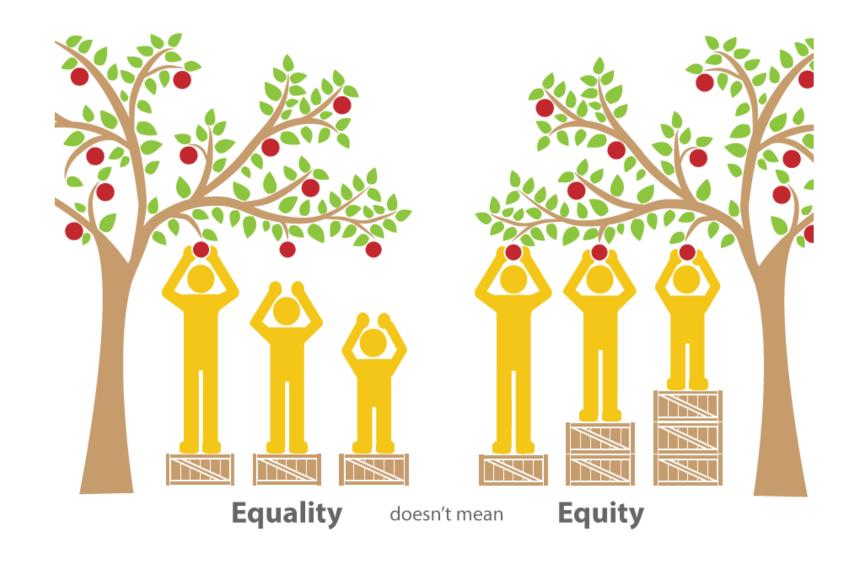


SDGs – leaving no one behind?





Equity and equality Underpinned by *moral equality*: people should be treated as equals.



Marginalization 'the treatment of a person, group, or concept as insignificant or peripheral'



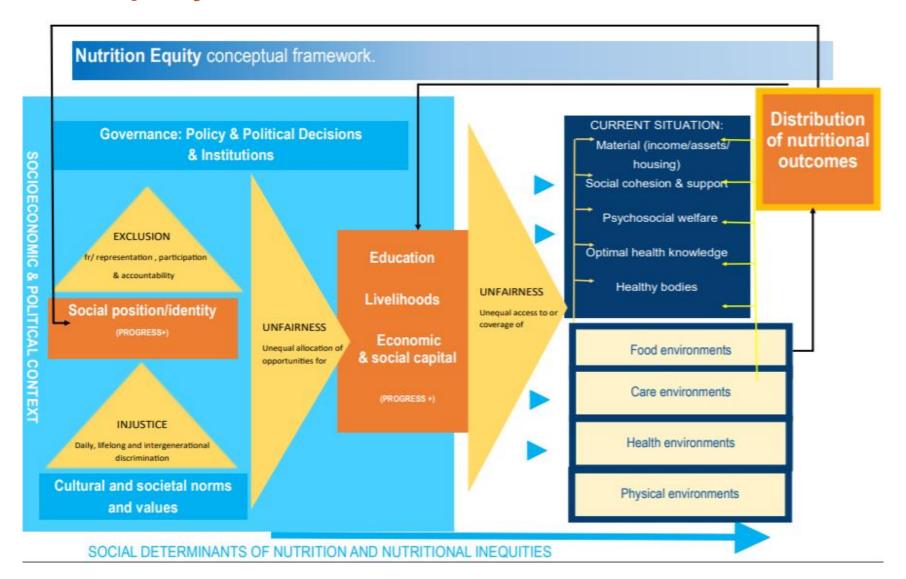






Nutrition equity framework

Nisbett and Harris 2019 (draft)



Concepts and definitions used in this study

Equity

- unequal outcomes stratified by personal characteristics
- human capital and resources available to people
- structural determinants shaping the socio-political context

Food and agriculture

 including terms relating to primary production, value chains, food safety, food security, and environment

Nutrition and health

 including terms relating to diets, undernutrition, overnutrition, clinical health, occupational health, and environmental health

No Agriculture n = 25 Not a study

n = 3

Review methods

Records through Records through Records through MEDLINE CABI WoS n = 2.566n = 12,327n = 11,502Records identified through database screening n = 26,395Records after duplicates removed n = 19.133Articles for primary Articles excluded screening n = 18.795n = 19.133Articles for secondary Articles excluded No equity screening n = 22n = 338No Health/Nut n = 45

Studies included in

final mapping n = 243

- How does ANH research address equity issues in LMICs?
- How has a focus on equity changed over time in ANH research?
- How do different ANH disciplines understand and research equity?

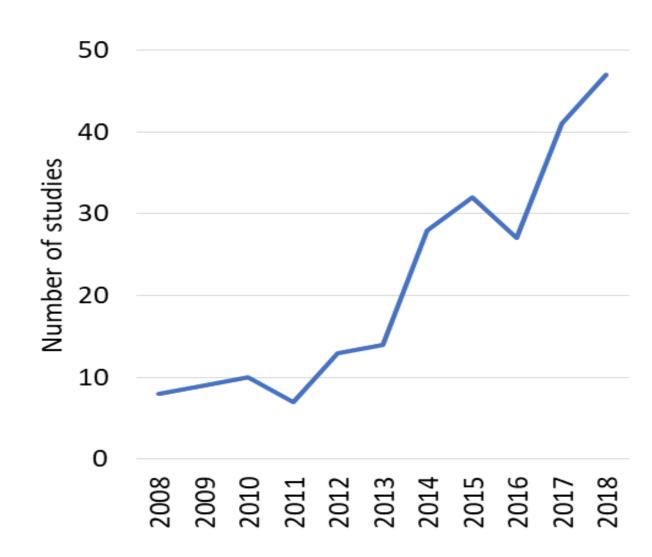
Change over time

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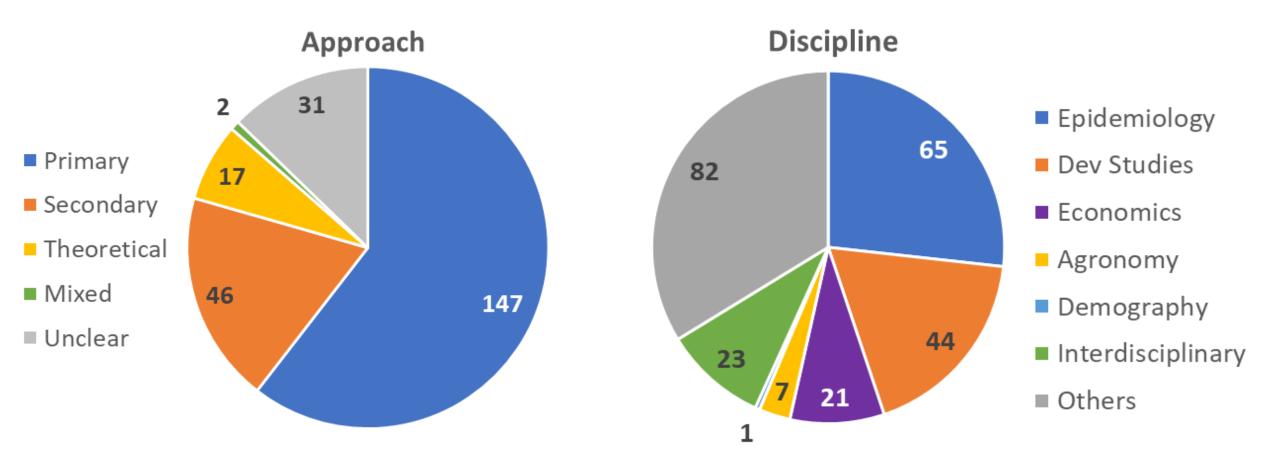
- First Lancet undernutrition series
- Food price crisis
- Copenhagen consensus
- Commission on social determinants of health report

2020

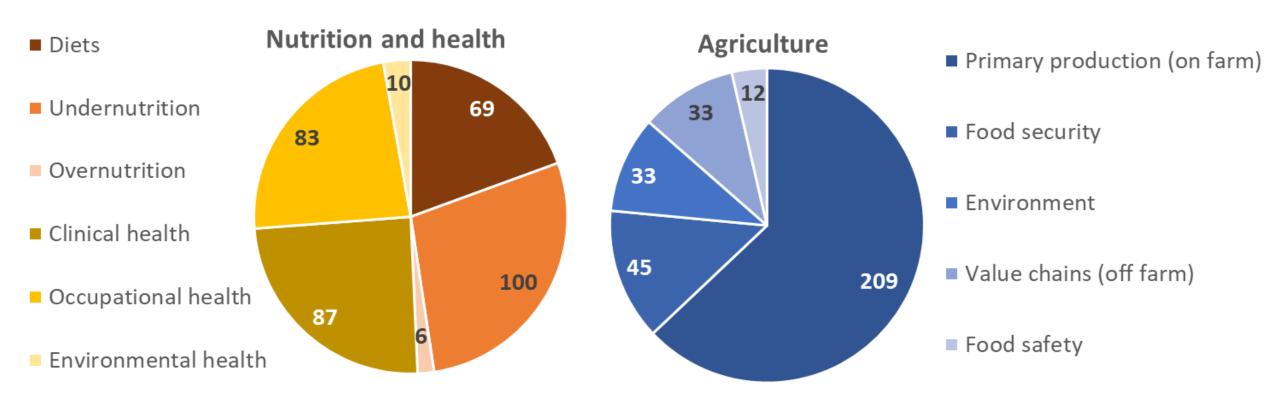
 Global Nutrition Report focus on equity



Discipline and approach

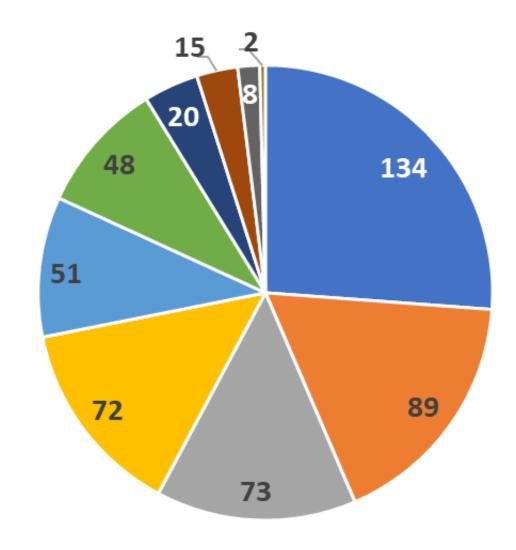


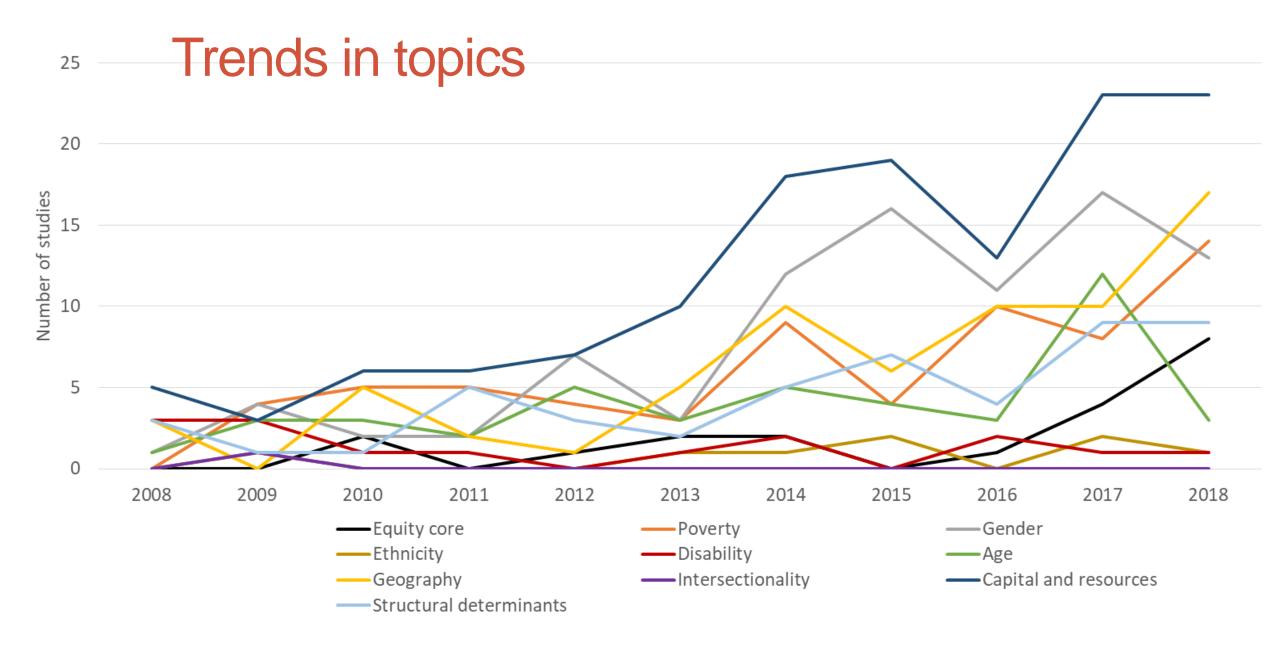
ANH concepts in the reviewed literature

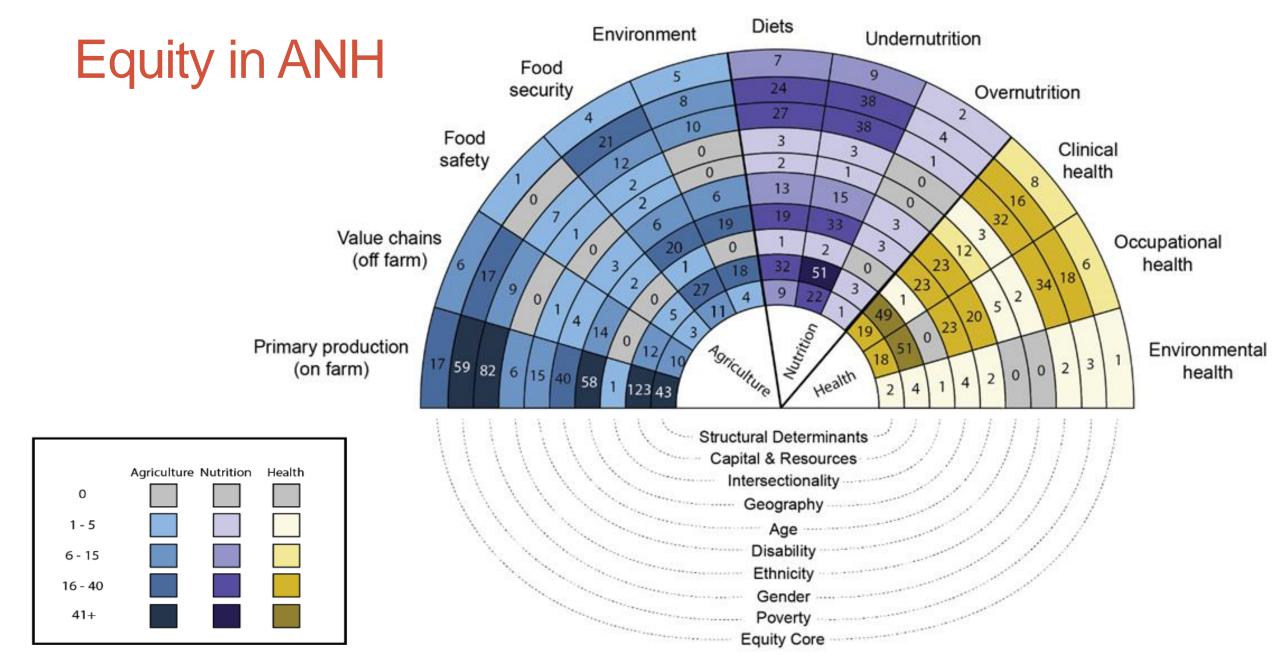


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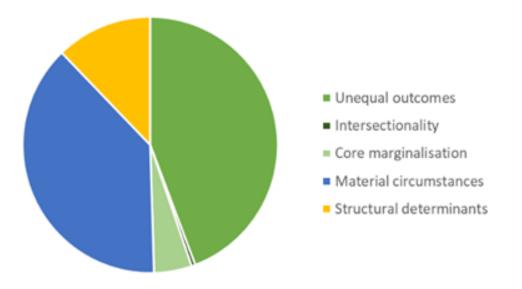
- Capital and resources
- Gender
- Geography
- Poverty
- Structural determinants
- Age
- Equity core
- Disability
- Ethnicity
- Intersectionality







Different levels of equity



- Most papers looked at unequal outcomes (including intersectionality and core marginalisation studies)
- A significant number looked at social position or material circumstances making up human capital and resources
- A smaller number of papers looked at the structural determinants of inequity such as social norms and values

Summary

Within ANH:

- Within agriculture, the topic of primary production was best represented
- Within nutrition, it was undernutrition and diets
- Within health, it was occupational and clinical health

Within equity:

- Most papers looked at what the inequity problem is;
- Fewer looked at how this inequity is shaped;
- Fewer still looked at why the inequity exists in the first place.

Gaps and research priorities

- Need more work on equity in all forms and at all levels!
 - Need to consider the full range of possible aspects of marginalisation
 - Lack of papers looking at intersectionality
- Continue to research human capital but not only wealth!
- Need to utilise and extend existing literature on structural determinants of inequity

Next steps

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						Equity										Agriculture					Nutrition					
First author	Year	Approach	Discipline	Equity Core	Poverty	Gender	Ethnicity	Disability	Age	Geography	Intersectionality	Capital and resources	Structural determinants	Primary production ¹	Value chains ²	Food safety	Food security	Environment	Diets	Undernutrition	Overnutrition	Clinical health	Occupational health	Environmental health		
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