

The Foundation supports the work of researchers across academic disciplines, through grant competitions and commissioned research, investigating violence in its many manifestations. Recent grants have supported studies of drug-trafficking violence in Mexico, changes in California's forensic hospital system to reduce the incidence of violence, and citizen mobilization against Boko Haram in northeastern Nigeria. The Foundation also undertakes programmatic initiatives to disseminate knowledge about violence to academics, journalists, policymakers and others.

An anthropologist by training, Dr. Wallman is a recognized expert on violent crime in the United States and Latin America, among other topics, where he has undertaken significant research, written extensively and advised policymakers. Dr. Wallman is currently a member of a group of criminologists working with the Foundation's support to develop a crime-forecasting model for use by law enforcement and other government officials.

"I am very pleased to take on this new position at a singular organization doing essential work," said Dr. Wallman. "HFG is unique as a research foundation in its focus on violence and its proven belief, now decades old, that creating and disseminating knowledge can both advance understanding and inform efforts to make the world a better place."

Dr. Wallman joined the foundation in 1991, serving first as Program Officer and then, more recently, as Senior Program Officer.

Dr. Wallman is co-author of "Did De-policing Cause the Increase in Homicide Rates?" (*Criminology and Public Policy* 2019), "Understanding Mexico's Drug Violence" (*Journal of Conflict Resolution* 2015) and "Illicit Markets and Violence" (*Crime, Law and Social Change* 2009). Dr. Wallman co-edited *The Crime Drop in America* with Alfred Blumstein (Cambridge University Press 2005). He is author of "Unpacking Recidivism" (*Criminology and Public Policy* 2005) and *Aping Language* (Cambridge 1992). Dr. Wallman is Associate Editor of *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict* and has published in *Computer Applications in the Biosciences* and *Current Anthropology*, among other journals.

Before joining the Foundation, Dr. Wallman taught at Columbia University, Rutgers University and Hunter College of the City University of New York. He received his Ph.D. in Anthropology, with Distinction, from Columbia.

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