

CERF Fellow Report

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1. Personal Details

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Date:	01-Aug-2017
CERF Fellowship Period:	2016-2018

2. Research Update

Research Title and Abstract	Deleveraging Risk
Please tell us your CERF Funded Research Title and Abstract (250 words max)	Deleveraging risk is the risk attributable to investing in a security held by levered investors. When there is an aggregate negative shock to the availability of funding capital, securities with a greater presence of levered investors experience extreme return realizations as these investors unwind their positions. Using data on equity loans as a proxy for the degree of levered positions in a given stock, we find robust evidence of deleveraging risk. Stocks with a high degree of levered investors experience large positive returns and a decrease in short selling activity around periods of funding capital scarcity.
Key Research findings to date: (250 words max)	See abstract above



3. Weblinks to your work

We would like to provide CERF Managers with weblinks to the research output of CERF Funded Projects and the following information:

- links to your research outputs
 http://www.pedrosaffi.com/Research/research.html
 http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2180785
- publications generated during the CERF fellowship
- seminars, conference presentations, press releases and other academic activities

Working papers:

- 1. "Short Sales Constraints and the Diversification Puzzle", 2015, with Adam Reed (UNC) and Edward Van Wesep (Colorado). Preparing for submission to JFE and presented at the 2017 FIRS conference in Hong Kong.
- "The Rise of the Equity Lending Market: Implications for Corporate Financial Policies", 2015, with Murillo Campello (Cornell University). Presented at the EFA 2015 and AFA 2016. R&R, Review of Financial Studies JFE and presented at the 2017 FIRS conference in Hong Kong.

Organizer,

2017 FMA Consortium on Institutional Investing and Hedge Funds, Cambridge, UK.

4. Additional information

Is there any other information you would like to share with us about your work to date?

The Deleveraging Risk paper was accepted to the Journal of Financial & Quantitative Analysis.



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