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Current Research Interests: Structural equation models; measurement; quantitative methods for longitudinal data, population and health.

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