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He has authored or co-authored more than 330 publications (incl. books and book chapters) with more than 11 000 citations. He is the editor of the book "Managing Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia" published in 2020 by Oxford University Press.