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His main interest is the application of molecular analysis to fixed and paraffinembedded tissues (all human tissues of biopsy or surgical origin), called archive tissues, with specific attention to pre-analytical conditions and standardization of methods. He has developed several methods, in particular for RNA analysis.

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