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Bio Note

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At the ANU he has led the development of a program of epidemiological research on the environmental (and genetic) influences on immune disorders, particularly autoimmune diseases such as multiple sclerosis. His work on climate and environmental change, along with longstanding interests in social and cultural influences on patterns of health and disease, also underlie his interests in understanding the determinants of the emergence and spread of infectious diseases in this seemingly 'renaissant' microbial era.

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