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My research interests include models of mental health care organisation and their impact on outcomes, carers involvement in mental health treatment, social relationships of patients with psychotic disorders, clinical decision making in mental health care and clinical characteristics of coercive treatments.

I have participated in a number of international studies on coercive treatments and their outcomes, clinical decision making in mental health care and quality of life and social relationships of people with severe mental disorders.

I am currently co-PI of a project to facilitate involvement of carers in acute treatment of patients with psychosis within the NIHR CLAHRC North Thames and I closely collaborate with Prof. Priebe on a European Commission funded multicentre study to compare integrated and functional systems of mental health care (COFI study).