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Dr van de Donk's special interest is the treatment of patients with multiple myeloma and he is involved in translational research towards finding new targets for therapy with a focus on immune therapy. He is author or co-author of a number of books and many papers published in peer-reviewed journals and a reviewer for several journals including Blood, Leukemia, and Haematologica, as well as associate editor of the Netherlands Journal of Hematology. He is also secretary of the HOVON multiple myeloma working party.