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Major Research Interests:

- Restoration ecology, especially for coastal marine and estuarine environments
- Development and scientific evaluation of mitigation techniques
- Long-term ecological monitoring
- Development of habitat valuation techniques
- Ecology of artificial and natural reefs
- Ecology of Coastal wetlands and estuaries
- Marine ecology
- Interface between environmental biology and resource management policy

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