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Her research fields are in the areas of syntax and lexical semantics. She is particularly interested in the analysis of phenomena such as coordination and alternations. She has also investigated the French verbs polysemy, specifically verbs for which one of the meanings involves the notion of movement.

Her fundamental research work has found applications in computational linguistics, notably a constraints based syntax analyzer for French.

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