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His research there has been focussed on plant metabolic pathways and biotechnology, both in the framework of applied subjects with the biotechnological industry, and on fundamental projects in the area of plant science. His focus has been directed to compound classes of economic interest, for instance for applications as flavour and fragrance or nutraceutical ingredient, or as building block for polymers. Examples include terpenes, phenolic compounds, non-protein amino acids and glucosinolates. He authored more than 100 scientific publications (h-index 40). Since 2019 he works as CTO at Isobionics, part of BASF, which produces

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Lecture: Plant compounds for the flavour and fragrance industry.