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| ● Grant/research support:  
Croatian Science Foundation: ProDeM grant, 2020-2023 (≈ Euro 100,000)  
Horizon Europe grant iRECS, 2022-2025(Euro 111,375.00)  
H2020 grant: EnTIRE, completed in 2021 (Euro 446.000,00)  
H2020 grant: VIRT2UE, completed in 2021 (Euro 288.152,50)  
H2020 grant: SOPs4RI, completed in 2022 Euro 225.625,00) |
| ● Consultancies:  
Occasional scientific and ethics expert consultancy for the European Commission. Croatian Science Foundation and other funding organisations. |
| ● Membership of speakers’ bureaux:  
None |
| ● Patent ownership:  
None |
| ● Membership of scientific advisory board:  
Scientific Advisory Committee, Center for Biomedical Research Transparency |
| ● Membership of board of directors:  
None |
| ● Stock shareholding (directly purchased):  
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