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Dr. Pfeiffer was Co-Editor of *Diabetologia* from 2003 – 2006, and currently serves on several editorial boards. He has published well over 300 articles. In 1990 he was presented with the prestigious German Association of Internal Medicine's Theodor Frerichs Award. Further awards include a Herman and Lilly Schilling Professorship, 1992-1997, the Hippocrates Prize of the Greek Association of Internal Medicine in 2013 and, most recently, the German Society of Endocrinology's Berthold Medal. His research interests include the pathogenesis of diabetes mellitus type 2, interaction of metabolic and hormonal regulatory circuits with nutrition, genetic background and phenotype in causing disease risks for type 2 diabetes and atherosclerosis, treatment strategies for type 2 diabetes, and neuroendocrinology of energy balance.