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Major research contributions and discoveries include: First description of RNA synthesis at the chromatin of the mammalian cell nucleus with subsequent move of the RNA into the nucleolus and cytoplasm; no RNA synthesis during mitosis. – Development of multi-parameter and -tracer technics for quantification of biochemical reactions at defined body sites by functional imaging.– First suggestion and description of the Auger effect as tool in bio-medicine. - First description of delayed onset and temporary biochemical responses to very low dose and low-LET radiation, with ensuing adaptive responses/protection and radiation-hormesis. - Introduction of the cell-dose concept for linking tissue risks to low-dose and low dose-rate irradiation.

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