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Dr. Elsabbagh's contributions include the discovery of very early brain markers for autism prior to the onset of behavioural signs. She has supported the successful launch of several collaborative research and translational networks aimed at accelerating the pace of discovery in autism. Currently, she is the Director of the Transforming Autism Care Consortium (TACC), a Quebec research network supported by FRQS and several community partners; and the Associate Director of Clinical Research at The Neuro's Azrieli Centre for Autism Research (ACAR). She is also active in local and international efforts to improve evidence-based practice and capacity building in the community. The public value and social relevance of Dr. Elsabbagh's research has been recognized through various awards including the Neville Butler Memorial Prize and the British Psychological Society Neil O'Connor Prize.