



Topic of the Speech:

Impacts of Epidemic Control Measures and Governance on Society and Health

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Jianquan's main research interests include spatial accessibility, geographical mobility, China's urbanization and healthy city.

Recently he is exploring the roles of various technologies for supporting data-driven and evidence-based planning and governance of healthy city, including video analytics and VR/AR. Jianquan has experienced lockdown in both Wuhan and Manchester cities so he has conducted comparative studies on impacts of COVID19 in both countries. His previous roles include Associate Professor, Wuhan University, China (2000-2006).