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Among his publications are more than 350 articles and several books on medical ethics and history of medicine, e.g., (co)editor of “Ethical Competencies in Medicine” (K & N 2025), “Pandemics and Ethics” (Springer 2023), “Ethical Research” (Oxford University Press 2020), “Healthcare as a Human Rights Issue” (transcript 2017), “History and Theory of Human Experimentation” (Steiner 2007), author of “Medizin und Moral in Weimarer Republik und Nationalsozialismus” (Campus 2000). Main subjects are ethics committees, human rights, research ethics, end-of-life-issues, and the wide spectrum of clinical ethics. Prof. Frewer is a member of the German “Academy for Ethics in Medicine” (AEM), of international Editorial Boards of the journals “Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics” (since 2003), and “Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy” (2002-2017), “HealthCare Ethics Committees Forum” (since 2018). He is editor of the series “Culture of Medicine” (Campus, 43 vols.), “History and Philosophy of Medicine” (Steiner, 18 vols.), “Yearbook Ethics in Clinics” (YEC, K & N, 17 vols. since 2008), “Interdisciplinary Studies in Human Rights” (Springer, 15/3 vols. English/German), “Human Rights in Healthcare” (transcript, 9 vols.), “Clinical Ethics” (Lang, 7 vols.), “Medicine and Human Rights” (V & R, 7 vols.), “Human Rights and Ethics in Medicine for Older Persons” (K & N, 6 vols.), “Global Health, Ethics and Human Rights” (K & N, 4 vols.) and others.