Support for method and use of Taperingstrips

The method and use of Taperingstrips has been widely accepted by professors and psychiatrist in the Netherlands. In 2013 the developer dr. Peter C. Groot and general practitioner (GP) Jan van Ingen Schenau published an article in the **Journal of Psychiatry** (55, 789-794, 2013; www.bit.ly/3sqm5e2) which received support from the *Consensus Group on Tapering*, which consisted of 20 psychiatrists, 18 of whom were professors. In the article all members of the Consensus Group on Tapering are mentioned. Hereunder the members of the Tapering Consensus Group are mentioned:

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