

## **Boys Development Project consultant**

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Some of Simon's recent writing includes the following:  
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A detailed description of Simon's recent publications with many live links can be found at [www.durham.ac.uk/ADD](http://www.durham.ac.uk/ADD)

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