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«Where, When, and Who? Spatial, Temporal and Sociodemographic Patterns in Complementary Medicine Use and Breast Cancer Screening Participation»

SPEAKER

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SUMMARY

Most analyses of health behaviors rely on regional averages, which can mask local dynamics that are important for tailoring interventions. Drawing on Swiss health insurance data and breast cancer screening participation in the canton of Geneva, we explore how spatial epidemiology can reveal hidden geographic patterns, unexpected gradients, and temporal shifts that aggregate statistics may miss, making a case for place-based, data-driven monitoring of health inequalities.

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