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Xiang Xiaotong is a PhD student at the Department of Architecture, National University of Singapore. Trained as an urban planner, her research focuses on ageing in place and the experiences of older adults living alone, examining how the built environment shapes their everyday lives within high-rise, high-density urban contexts. Her work is expected to bridge environmental gerontology and urban planning, employing qualitative methods such as interviews and field observations. She is also beginning to explore quantitative approaches to deepen her understanding of spatial-social relationships. Her broader research interests include ageing, social participation, neighbourhood walkability and healthy cities.