Here are old and new references in a list that I gleaned at random from literature review postings. Original versions (numbering has been tinkered with) appear above APA-compliant references.

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