



Prof. Dr. Willem M. de Vos.

Titel: Microbes inside: Lessons from the human micro- and mycobiome.

CV: Willem M. de Vos (1954) studied Biochemistry and obtained a PhD at Groningen University, partly done at the Max Planck Institute for Molecular Genetics in Berlin. He is over 25 years Professor at Wageningen University, holds there the Chair of Microbiology, and also serves as Finland Academy Professor of the Finnish Academy of Sciences at the University of Helsinki. He has supervised around 100 PhD students and with these and other collaborators he published over 600 peer-reviewed publications. He is an inventor of over 30 patents or patent applications and has presently an ISI h-index > 95 (Google Scholar > 120). He is a member of the Netherlands Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW), the European Academy of Microbiology, and various international Scientific Advisory Boards. He has received early career prizes for international PhD and post-doc stays, including EMBO, MPI, FEBS and CEC Fellowships, and various career awards, including the Miles Marschall Rhone-Poulenc International Dairy Science Award, the NWO Spinoza Award, and the Netherlands' Most Entrepreneurial Scientist Award. He also was elected as Finland Distinguished Professor, received an Honorary Doctorate in Medicine, and an ERC Advanced Grant. His research aims to understand and exploit microbes using molecular, (meta)genomics and systems approaches. His current interest is focused on the human intestinal tract microbiota and its relation with health and disease.