

## Professor Richard Ducatelle

Graduated as veterinarian from University of Ghent in Belgium in 1978. He then completed a PhD in veterinary pathology in 1983. He was a scientific advisor to the Belgium government from 1984 to 1989 and has been Professor in Veterinary Pathology at the University of Ghent from 1989 till 2020. He has been a member of the board of directors of Ghent university from 2008 till 2020. He is diplomate of the ECVP and of the ECPVS. He is President of WVPA Belgian branch since 1991 and also a Past-President of the ESVP. He is the author or co-author of more than 700 scientific publications listed in the Web of Science and more than 400 abstracts in proceedings of international congresses. He has spoken at more than 200 national and international congresses. His research is mainly on intestinal health and on interactions of zoonotic agents with the animal host reservoir, with a focus on poultry (necrotic enteritis, dysbacteriosis, *Salmonella*) and on swine (gastric ulcers, *Helicobacter*). He has been mentor of 36 PhD theses in this field of research.