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Functions and work experiences
- Chair of Wageningen UR Plant Breeding
- Professor and Chair of Lab of Plant Breeding as of January 2000
- Full Professor (on personal title) from June 1998 onwards
- Associate Professor (on personal title) from 1993 till 1998
- Assistant Professor from 1989 till 1993

- Honorary Professor at the Institute of Vegetables and Flowers of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (2007)

Professional involvement
- Co-organiser of different Symposia including the Plant Polysaccharide Symposium (2000), Pectins and Pectinase symposium (2001 & 2008), the 4th International Potato Molecular Biology Symposium (1995), the International Scientific Meetings of the CBN in Indonesia (1994), Uganda (1996), Brazil (1998) and USA (2001)
- Reviewer for the EU and FAO of the CIP, CIAT and IITA genetic resources programmes
- Evaluator of many research projects both national and international including NWO, USDA, Irish Research Foundation, Mistra & BBSRC, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (Grand Challenges)

Scientific journal involvement
- Editor in chief of Euphytica.
- Editor of Annals of Applied Biology, Molecular Breeding, Theoretical and Applied Genetics and Potato Research.

Management tasks
- Board member of the Technological Top Institute Green Genetics since 2006
- Managing Director of the Potato Genome Sequencing Consortium (PGSC) since 2003
- Member of the Scientific Steering group of the Centre for BioSystems Genomics, Programme leader of the potato genomics programme within this Nationally funded programme since 2002
- Vice-chairman and member of the Dutch Organisation for Plant Breeders Rights (since 2000)
- Board member of several foundations (in the Netherlands and abroad) which deal with Plant Breeding issues

Publications
- Published over 250 scientific papers
- Speaker at many international conferences
- Co-inventor of 17 patent(application)s