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PH D degree at the State University of Utrecht (June 10, 1974). Title of thesis: *Paecilomyces* and some allied Hyphomycetes

Career/Employment

Since 1970 employed by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Science (Amsterdam) at the Centraalbureau voor Schimmelcultures. Currently Head of the Department of Services and Applied Research.

Adjunct Professor in Plant Pathology of the Faculty of Agriculture, Kasetsart University Bangkok, Thailand (July 15, 2002).

Specialization

(I) main field: Systematic mycology of *Penicillium* and *Aspergillus*, food-borne fungi

(II) other fields: Mycoflora of indoor environments, entomopathogenic, thermophilic fungi, Scanning electronmicroscopy

(III) current research interests

Taxonomy of *Penicillium* and *Aspergillus*

Food-borne fungi with emphasis on heat resistant and xerophilic moulds

Moulds in indoor environments

Entomogenous fungi

Honours, Awards, Fellowships, Membership of Professional Societies

NATO Science fellowship 1975-1976. Mycological research at the Universities of Austin, Gainesville and Bloomington, USA.

USFCC/J.Roger Porter award (May 2001)

Member of the British Mycological Society,

Member of the American Mycological Society,

Member of the World Federation of Culture Collections

Secretary General of the Executive Board of the International Union for Microbiological Societies.

Chairman of the IUMS International Commission on *Penicillium* and *Aspergillus*

Chairman of the IUMS International Commission on Indoor Fungi

Vice Chairman of the IUMS International Commission on Food Mycology;

Member of the International Commission of the Taxonomy of Fungi