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His main drive in the past ten years has been the development of academic primary care medicine in Utrecht. Since 2009 he is the medical director of the Julius Health Centers, the academic primary care practice of the UMC Utrecht. His research focus is on the interface between physical and psychological dimensions of disease, with a special interest in functional gastroenterological problems.

He has co-authored more than 150 peer reviewed publications, and contributed to national and international guidelines in gastroenterology. He is an active member of the Dutch College of General Practice, and chair one of the committees of the Dutch health Council. In 2014 he was appointed a member of the Quality of care Council by the Dutch Ministry of Health. He is one of the founding members of the European Society for Primary Care Gastroenterology and represents the ESPCG in the scientific committee of the United European Gastroenterology. He is visiting professor at the University of Durham, United Kingdom.