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Jeroen Kortekaas is senior scientist of Wageningen Bioveterinary Research (WBVR), Professor of Veterinary Arbovirology of Wageningen University and CSO of BunyaVax. He is also member of the board of the Virology Division of the Royal Netherlands Society for Microbiology and member of the Netherlands Commission on Genetic Modification (COGEM). In the past 12 years, his research has focused on Rift Valley fever virus (RVFV) vaccine development. In 2017, he became CSO of BunyaVax (www.bunyavax.com), a company that develops vaccines using proprietary bunyavirus-based vaccine technologies. In the same year, he was appointed Special Professor of Veterinary Arbovirology, affiliated with the Laboratory of Virology of Wageningen University. He is coordinator of the “Long-term Europe-Africa Research Network” (LEARN: www.learn-project.nl) on arboviral zoonoses, a research consortium aimed to improve EU-Africa collaborations on arbovirus research. In 2019, he became coordinator of the LARISSA project (www.larissa-online), funded by the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) in which a human RVF vaccine is being developed. Within the ZAPI project, he is member of the Executive Project Management Team and co-leading the work packages on development and preclinical evaluation of antibody therapies.