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Etienne Thiry was born on the 4th of April 1957 in Etterbeek (Brussels). He was graduated as doctor in veterinary medicine in 1980 and in veterinary sciences (PhD) in 1985. He is retired diplomate member of the *European College for Veterinary Public Health*. From 1st October 2022 he is ordinary professor emeritus of veterinary virology and viral diseases, Liège University, Belgium. He is also professor emeritus of veterinary virology at the Free University of Brussels. He won the *International Pfizer award* by the international committee of the World Buiatrics Society in 1996. He won the *Gaston Ramon award* by the French Academy of Veterinary Medicine in 2008. He was recognized by the European Society for Veterinary Virology as honorary member in 2009. He received the award *Prix de la Francophonie* by the *Fédération des Associations francophones des vétérinaires d'Animaux de Compagnie* (FAFVAC) in 2011. The French Veterinary Technical Groups (GTV 52) awarded him the *Jean-Jacques Tondreau Excellence Prize* in 2012.

Etienne Thiry is member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Belgium. He is also member of the National Committee for Microbiology of the Belgian Royal Academy. He is vice-chairman of the Veterinary Biologicals Committee of the International Alliance for Biological Standardization. He is consulting member, previously acting- and vice-chairman, of the *European Advisory Board on Cat Diseases*. He is formze vice-chairman of the board of directors of the federal scientific institute Sciensano (2018-

2024); former chairman of the scientific committee at the Belgian Food Safety Agency (Afsca) (2014-2021); former chairman of the Risk Assessment Group Covid Animals (2020-2021); former chairman of the expert committee for animal health and welfare at the French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety (Anses) (2012-2018). He was also chairman of the board of directors of the non-profit association Formavet active in veterinary continuing education.

His research interests cover several aspects of animal virology, especially the study of animal virus-host interactions and the evolution of viral populations in noroviruses and hepeviruses; in applied research, virucidal activity and the quality of personal protective equipments, especially in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic. These scientific activities generated more than 500 papers in specialised scientific journals (h-index Scopus 48). He is the author of the four books in the collection *Clinical Virology* at the Editions du Point Vétérinaire on clinical virology of ruminants, dog and cat, swine and equids.

