



European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Annual Declaration of Interests for 2025

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Country: Belgium

Current Employer: Public sector

ECDC Involvement: Advisory Forum (ECDC Governing Body)

I do hereby declare on my honour that to the best of my knowledge, the only interests I have or have had in the previous 5 years are those listed below

1. Please fill in any employment in the previous five years, including your present employment.

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Job Title	Nature of Employment	Specific Type
2014	Ongoing	Ghent University (Ugent)	Visiting professor	Academia	
2010	Ongoing	Sciensano (former Belgian Scientific Institute of Public Health, WIV-ISP)	Head of Viral Diseases	Public Sector	

2. Do you have, or have you had, ownership or other investments, including shares?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Type of organisation	Type of Ownership / Investment	Estimated Value (Currency)	Description
2023	Ongoing	Argenx	biotech company, antibody-based therapies for auto-immune diseases or cancer	public shares via a commercial trading platform	about 43 shares	I am not involved in management, government board or shareholder board, strategy or decision making
2023	Ongoing	Pharming	biotech company, therapies for immune diseases	public shares via a commercial trading platform	about 10600 shares	I am not involved in management, government board or shareholder board, strategy or decision making

3. Are you, or have you been, a member of a Managing Body or equivalent structure?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Type of organization	Nature of Involvement	Remuneration (Amount, Currency)	Beneficiary of Remuneration	Voting Rights
2023	Ongoing	VirusBank Platform, KUL	Platform funded by Belgian state and KUL to develop antivirals for epidemic/pandemic preparedness	Member of Steering Committee	Not Applicable		No

4. Are you, or have you been, a member of a Scientific Advisory Body?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Type of organization	Nature of Involvement	Remuneration (Amount, Currency, beneficiary)	Beneficiary of Remuneration
2011	Ongoing	Federal Ministry of Health, WHO	National verification committee for measles and rubella elimination in Belgium	representative of the NRL	Not Applicable	
2020	2022	GEMS	Scientific advisory committee to support the Federal Government in the management of the COVID-19 crisis	scientific advisor	Not Applicable	
2022	Ongoing	Scientific Strategic Council	Scientific advisory committee to support the Risk Management Group in the management of public health crises involving infectious agents	scientific advisor	Not Applicable	
2022	Ongoing	Virusbank Platform, KUL	Platform funded by Belgian state and KUL to develop antivirals for epidemic/pandemic preparedness	scientific advisor, member of the scientific advisory committee	1000 euro fee per meeting, about 1-2 meetings per year	Personal
2022	2023	Task Force Vaccination	Government task force that is responsible for the operationalisation of the national vaccination strategy for COVID-19	scientific advisor	Not Applicable	
2012	Ongoing	ECDC	European agency	National microbiology focal point for Belgium	Not Applicable	
2024	Ongoing	ECDC	European agency	alternate Advisors forum for Belgium	Not Applicable	

5. Have you offered any consultancy or advice in the past 5 years?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Nature of activity	Type of Contract	Remuneration (if any)	Specify other type of activity	Key tasks and responsibilities
2007	2018	Belgian High Health Council	Expert Advice		0		
2007	2018	Scientific Committee of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain (FAVV-AFSCA)	Expert Advice		0		
2006	Ongoing	Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment DG4 (Belgian Ministry of Health)	Expert Advice		0		
2024	2024	pharma.be	Expert Advice		0		completion of survey and 1h interview on implementation of a plan for adult vaccination

6. Have you received any research funding?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Type of organization	Subject of research funding	Personal role in the project	Recipient of funding
2012	2016	Belgian Science Policy (BELSPO), Interuniversity Attraction Pole project	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2011	2016	Queen Astrid Military Hospital (Brussels), Dutch Ministry of Defence, Academic Medical Centre (University of Amsterdam)	Hospital, Ministry of Defense	applied research	investigator	Employer
2007	2015	Government Agency for Innovation by Science and Technology Flanders (IWT-Vlaanderen), Ablynx NV	Biotech company	applied research	investigator	Employer
2011	2014	Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment DG4 project (Belgian Ministry of Health)	Gov2016ernment funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2011	2016	Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment DG1 project (Belgian Ministry of Health)	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2007	2009	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO) project	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2007	2011	2011	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2008	2011	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO) project	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2001	2005	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO) project	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2000	2001	2015	Government funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2014	2015	PNB Paribas Fortis research contribution	Private funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2017	2021	H2020	EU funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2018	2018	Med-Vet-European Joint Programme	EU funding agency	applied research	investigator	Employer
2023	Ongoing	EU4 Health Programme (EU4H)	Proposal ID 101113063 and acronym HERA-BE-WGS-2023, falling under the 2022 EU4 Health Programme (EU4H) (Call number: EU4H-2022-DGA-MS-IBA-01-02)	genomic surveillance for pandemic preparedness	investigator	Employer

7. Do you have any intellectual property rights?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Value of IP rights (Currency)	Type Of IP Rights
2009	2016	Belgian Scientific Institute of Public Health (WIV-ISP)	Amino acid sequences directed against envelope proteins of a virus and polypeptides comprising the same for the treatment of viral diseases. Brussels: Scientific Institute of Public Health; 2009PCT/EP2009/056975, US Patent office, publication date 10 12 2009.	recognized as an inventor, but no right to receive royalties or any other kind of revenues

8. Do you have, or have you had, any other memberships or affiliations?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Nature of membership/affiliation
2023	Ongoing	Belvir, Belgian Society of virology, www.belvir.be	vice-chair

9. Are there any interests of close family members?

No interest declared

10. Is there any other interest you want to declare?

Starting Year	Ending Year	Name of the organization	Nature of interests
2019	Ongoing	RIZIV - INAMI	Coordinator of the Belgian National Reference Centres for Influenza, Measles-Mumps-Rubella, Human Papillomavirus, Hepatitis viruses A-E and Rabies
2016	Ongoing	EVD-Labnet	participating member, no funds

I confirm the information on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and I consent to my information being stored electronically and published on the ECDC website

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