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Biography

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Lars Niemann was born in 1962 in Berlin (former German Democratic Republic, East-Germany) and studied in the 1980ies veterinary medicine in his home town at the Humboldt-University but prepared and finished his diploma thesis in 1988 at the virological institute of the Berlin Charité. After graduation, he attended a Ph.D. course in veterinary virology and received his degree (Doctor in Veterinary Medicine) in 1992. In the same year, Dr Niemann started his career in the German health authorities and is currently a scientific employee at the Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) in Berlin, working in its department "Safety of pesticides". His first main task in a regulatory agency was the assessment of micro-organisms and viruses that were intended to be used as an alternative to chemicals in plant protection but he changed the field pretty soon to become a mammalian toxicologist. Dr Niemann gained a comprehensive expertise in the health evaluation of pesticides, both for national authorization purposes as well as on EU level. In addition, he received practical experimental experience as study veterinarian, principal investigator and study director in avian reproduction studies in Japanese quail and in feeding experiments on rats to investigate mixture toxicity, resulting in a number of publications. More recently, he was also active in the field of human biomonitoring. Since 2017, Dr. Niemann is contributing to the activities of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) of WHO and FAO as a full member of the WHO expert group and, in this capacity, drafted a number of monographs.