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Biography

Dr Jean-Louis Robert studied chemistry at the University of Basle (CH) and obtained his Ph.D. from there in 1976. He had a post-doctoral training at the Pharmaceutical Institute of the "Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule" (ETH) in Zurich (CH). He spent one year with a pharmaceutical company before joining the National Health Laboratory (Laboratoire National de Santé) in Luxembourg. He was head of the Service de Chimie Pharmaceutique, an official medicines control laboratory, at the LNS, before retiring in March 2015.

He is a member of the Committee for Human Medicinal Products (CHMP) since 1995 (co-opted member since 2004) at the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in London and chairman of the CHMP/CVMP Quality Working Party since 1995.

He is currently chair of the European Pharmacopoeia Commission (2013-2016). He serves as an expert for WHO.

Within the International Conference on Harmonization (ICH), he is or was involved in different topics mainly Validation of Analytical Procedures, Common Technical Document-Quality, revision of the guidelines on impurities (Q3A and Q3B), Pharmaceutical Development (Q8 and Q8R1), Pharmaceutical Quality System (Q10). He was rapporteur for the Implementation Working Group ICH Q8, Q9, Q10 and in charge of the ICH Quality Topic Recommendation Working Group. Currently he is EU topic leader for Life Cycle Management ICH Q12.

He is currently chair of the Luxembourg Ethical Committee for clinical studies (Comité National d'Ethique de Recherche).

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