

Name:

Willem Ombelet, MD, PhD

Nationality:

Belgian.

04-12-1954: born in Leuven (Belgium)

Education/career:

Willem Ombelet started his career researching infertility and IVF in 1984 in Pretoria, South Africa. Since 1987, he has been working in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the St. Jans Hospital in Genk, Belgium. In 1998, he obtained his PhD degree at the University of Leuven on 'The value of sperm morphology and other semen parameters in diagnosis and treatment of human subfertility.' He became the Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the St. Jans Hospital in Genk, in 1999. From 2001 until 2004 he was the president of the Belgian Society of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

Publications, presentations and awards:

(Co-)authored 106 international peer-reviewed articles.

Recipient of 2 international awards.

(Co-)editor of 18 books.

Other appointments:

Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the St. Jans Hospital in Genk

Founder of the Genk Institute for Fertility Technology.

Chairman of five 'Andrology in the Nineties' meetings and nine workshops on assisted reproduction.

Chairman of the Scientific Board of the Flemish Society of O & B.

Consultant (Reproductive Medicine) at the Universities of Hasselt, Ghent and Antwerp (Dept of Obstetrics & Gynaecology)

Coordinator of the ESHRE Special Task Force on "Developing countries and infertility" since 2006.

Board member of the Belgian Society of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (BSRM).

Board member of the Belgian College of Reproductive Medicine

Editor-in-Chief of the international scientific journal "Facts, Views & Vision in ObGyn".