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Dr. R.P.M.A. Crooijmans received his PhD at Wageningen University in 2000 on the thesis entitled: "Gene hunting: molecular analysis of the chicken genome". Besides

education he continued his research in the same group as assistant professor on the identification and use of genomic variation in farm animals. The variation is used in projects for trait analysis (QTL and WGAS), studying biodiversity and studies on evolution, domestication and selection of farm animals. He is involved in several international consortia like the sequencing consortia for several species (chicken, pig, turkey, great tit, duck, yellowtail kingfish, and ray fish) and the international consortium for Functional Annotation of Animal Genomes (FAANG). He is active as work package leader in several H2020 projects like IMAGE and EUROFAANG. He is further coordinator of the OPTIBOV project within Long-term European and African Partnering AGRI-program on molecular analysis of adaptation of traditional cattle breeds in Europe and Africa. He recently received a grant on molecular goat milk analysis and biodiversity. In 2022 he joined the tenure track system of Wageningen University and became associate professor (UHD1).