

Biosketch - Robert Favier, DVM, MVR, PhD



After completing the middle school in Goes (the Netherlands) in 1991 Robert studied veterinary medicine at Utrecht University (the Netherlands) and graduated (with distinction) in 1999. After graduation he followed an internship (1999-2000) and a residency (2000-2003) in small animal internal medicine at Utrecht University.

From 2003 – 2017 Robert worked as an assistant professor in small animal internal medicine (focus hepatology) at the Department of Clinical Sciences of Companion Animals (Utrecht University), being responsible for education for students (Bachelor and Master), interns and residents, polyclinics (general internal medicine and hepatology) and research (veterinary clinical, translational and educational). In 2011 he successfully defended his PhD thesis on canine hepatitis and the pathomechanisms of copper-induced hepatitis in COMMD1

deficient dogs and has since then supervised 3 PhD candidates.

From 2011 – 2017 Robert was the program director of the Master of Veterinary Medicine – Companion Animals at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Utrecht University, being responsible for the contents and quality of the educational programs within the companion animal track and (the quality of the) assessments of the students.

In his current position as program director Evidensia Academy Netherlands Robert is responsible for establishing longitudinal educational programmes with an outcome based approach (with the use of the concept of Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs)) for the veterinarians and paraveterinarians within the Evidensia group in the Netherlands.

Robert is both active as a veterinary educationalist, referral veterinarian, and researcher. His personal topics of interest within the educational field are workplace-based assessment, the creation of interdisciplinary curricula (global health science) and the idea of life-long learning. "The world does not care what you know. What the world cares about is what you can do with what you know" (Tony Wagner - Harvard Education Fellow) is his inspiring motto and keeps him motivated.

On a regular basis Robert chairs veterinary congresses, gives post-academic lectures to private practitioners about companion animal internal medicine and hepatology, workshops about veterinary medical education to fellow educationalists, as well as providing advice regarding workplace-based assessment for educational institutes.

Personal background:

Robert is married to Liesbeth (veterinarian in private practice and teacher at a veterinary nurse school) and together they have three children. In his spare time, he likes long-distance running, Salvador Dali, Spanish food and red wine.

