

## ***Curriculum Vitae***



### ***Professor Dr Jean-Baptiste Watelet***

Professor Dr. JB Watelet is associate professor in the Ghent University in Belgium and is responsible for inflammatory diseases in upper airways. He is senior staff member in the department of Otorhinolaryngology of the Ghent University Hospital in Belgium headed by Professor Doctor Paul Van Cauwenberge.

Born in Liège in 1967 (Belgium), he began his medical formation in Namur (FNDP) and Louvain (UCL), Belgium. He made his ENT training in Belgium but also in France and Luxemburg and his actual clinical activities are mainly concerning allergology and rhinology. In 2005, he was also recognised as specialized in revalidation of language and hearing disorders.

Professor JB Watelet was granted by a clinical mandate from the Belgian National Funds for Scientific Research (FWO-Vlaanderen) for his works regarding tissue remodelling in chronic nasal and sinus diseases. His PhD thesis, defended in the University of Ghent, was focused on the role played by growth factors and matrix metalloproteinases in wound healing after sinus surgery. In the Ghent University Hospital, Dr JB Watelet initiated the clinical unit of nose/lung allergology.

Professor JB Watelet was integration officer in GA<sup>2</sup>LEN (Global Allergy and Asthma European Network), funded by the European Commission in the Sixth Framework Programme. In this European Network of Excellence, he was also responsible of the working group dealing patient registries.

He is consulting doctor in the University Hospital of Louvain Mont-Godinne for rhinology and allergology. He is currently developing a research platform dedicated to allergy and rhinology in collaboration with pneumologists, immunologists and hematologists.

Professor JB Watelet is member of scientific board of several national and international scientific societies or courses dedicated to allergy or Otorhinolaryngology. In 2004, he was president of scientific committee for the annual congress of the Royal Belgian Society for Otorhinolaryngology. He is expert for the Belgian Ministry of Public Health and Belgian Federal Agency for Drugs and Therapies.

He was consultant for Belgian and international sections of the UCB Institute of Allergy (UCB IoA) in Belgium since several years. He is the actual chairman of the International Scientific Board of the UCB Institute of Allergy and Chairman of the Belgian and International Supportive Initiatives for the Global Management of Allergy of the UCB IoA (SIGMA).

He has up till now published 50 scientific articles in journals with referee-system and has given or participated to more than 200 national or international scientific lectures.