MUI Lecture Series



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Teunis Geijtenbeek was born in 1969 in Scherpenzeel, the Netherlands, and graduated in Chemistry in 1992 at the University of Utrecht, the Netherlands. In 1996 he obtained his PhD in Chemistry at the same university. He performed his postdoctoral research in Immunology at the St Radboud University in Nijmegen, the Netherlands, with Prof. Y. van Kooyk / Prof. C. Figdor, and at the New York University, USA, with Prof. D. Littman. During his postdoctoral research he became interested in host-pathogen interactions and in particular how HIV-1 subverts the function of dendritic cells. He became full professor in 2010 at the University of Amsterdam, Academic Medical Center and he is now the head of the Department of Experimental Immunology at the Academic Medical Center in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. His group studies the function of pattern recognition receptor on human dendritic cells in viral infections and adaptive immunity to pathogens. In his ECV2016 keynote lecture "HIV-1 evades innate sensing by a novel RNA sensor in dendritic cells" (WS1 "Innate Antiviral Immunity and Viral Immune Evasion", Wednesday, 19.October, 04:30pm) he will discuss how HIV-1 escapes immuno surveillance but also how specific dendritic cell subsets destroy HIV-1 upon infection.