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Geert D'Haens is Professor of gastroenterology at the Academic Medical Center at the University of Amsterdam where he leads the IBD Unit. After graduation at the University of Leuven, Belgium, he was trained in gastroenterology, gastrointestinal endoscopy and inflammatory bowel diseases at the University Hospitals in Leuven and at the University of Chicago Hospitals

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