

# RESUME BERT MEIJER

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

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1967-1972 High School Appingedam  
1972-1978 BSc and MSc in Organic Chemistry at University of Groningen  
1978-1982 PhD degree in Organic Chemistry at University of Groningen, *summa cum laude*; advisor: prof. dr. Hans Wynberg

## EXPERIENCE

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1982-1989 Philips Research Laboratories Eindhoven  
Research scientist Molecular Materials  
1989-1992 DSM Research Geleen - Head of department "New Materials"  
1991- Eindhoven University of Technology; Chemistry & Chemical Engineering  
Full professor of Organic Chemistry  
1994- Radboud University Nijmegen  
Adjunct professor of Macromolecular Chemistry  
1999- Eindhoven University of Technology; Biomedical Engineering  
Full professor of Organic Chemistry  
2004 - Eindhoven University of Technology  
Distinguished University Professor of Molecular Sciences  
2006- University of California, Santa Barbara  
Distinguished Visiting Professor  
2008- Eindhoven University of Technology  
Scientific Director of the Institute for Complex Molecular Systems  
2014- Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences  
Academy professor  
2018- External scientific member of the Max Planck Institute for Polymer  
Research, Mainz, Germany

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Functional supramolecular polymers and polymerization processes
- Self-assembled functional life-like molecular materials
- Adaptive materials
- Non-covalent synthesis of functional supramolecular systems
- Stereochemistry and chirality

## AWARDS

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- Golden Medal of the Royal Dutch Chemical Society (1993)
- Arthur K. Doolittle Award of the ACS-division PMSE (1995)
- Silver Medal of the MacroGroup UK of the Royal Society of Chemistry (2000)
- SPINOZA-Award of the Dutch Science Foundation NWO (2001)
- ACS Award in Polymer Chemistry (2006)
- Best teacher of the year of the Eindhoven University of Technology (2009)
- ERC Advanced Research Grant (2010)
- AkzoNobel Science Award of the Royal Dutch Society of Science (2010)
- Wheland Medal of the University of Chicago (2011)
- International Award of the Society of Polymer Science, Japan (2011)
- Arthur C. Cope Scholar Award of the ACS (2012)
- International Solvay Chair in Chemistry of the Solvay Institute, Brussels (2013-2014)
- Prelog medal of the ETH Zurich (2014)
- Belgium Polymer Group Award (2014)
- Academy Professorship Award of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Science (2014)
- Doctorem Honoris Causa of the University of Mons, Belgium (2017)
- 32<sup>rd</sup> Nagoya Gold Medal Award in Organic Chemistry, Japan (2017)
- Humboldt Forschungs Preis of the Humboldt Foundation, Germany (2017)

## VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS AND NAMED LECTURESHIPS

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- Werner Kern Gedächtnisvorlesung, Mainz (1993)
- Visiting professor at the University of Leuven, Belgium, (1995)
- Novartis-Sandoz lecturer, Regensburg (1997)
- Wyeth-Ayerst lecturer, Columbus Ohio (1997/1998)
- Visiting professor at University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana (1998)
- Bayer Distinguished lecturer, Cornell, New York (1998)
- The Glaxo-Wellcome lecturer, Sheffield (1998)
- Molecular Design Institute lecturer, Georgia Tech, Atlanta (1999)
- Van 't Hoff Centennial lecturer, KNAW - Amsterdam (2001)
- Bayer Distinguished lecturer, Washington University, St. Louis (2002)
- Rohm & Haas lecturer, University of California, Berkeley (2002)
- Karl Pfister Lecturer, MIT - Boston (2003)
- Tarrant visiting professorship, Gainsville – Florida (2003)
- Paul Gassman visiting professorship 2003-2004, Minnesota (2004)
- Xerox Distinguished Lecturer of Canada, 2004 – Toronto and Montreal (2004)
- Gambrinus-fellowship lectures - University of Dortmund (2004)
- Carothers Lecture - Dupont Wilmington (2005)
- Melville Lecturer - Cambridge University (2006)
- Visiting professor at University of Bordeaux, France (2007)
- FORTH Distinguished fellow of the FORTH Institute Crete, Greece (2008)
- Visiting professor Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China (2008)
- Molecular Science Forum Lecture Professor, ICCAS, Beijing, China (2008)
- Milkovich Memorial lecturer at the University of Akron, USA (2009)
- Lowlands lecturer, the Netherlands (2009)
- Rudolf-Gompper Memorial lecturer at the KOPO 2009, Germany (2009)
- Musgrave Lecturer at University of Durham (2010)
- Reimar Lüst Lectureship of the Max Planck Gesellschaft, Mainz (2011)
- The Groningen Stereochemistry Lecture 2011, University of Groningen (2011)
- Cornforth Lectureship at the University of Sydney, Australia (2011)

- Guthikonda Memorial Lecturer, Columbia University, New York (2011)
- Frontiers in Chemical Science Lecturer, Texas A&M University, USA (2011)
- The Tony Cheetham Lecturer, University of California Santa Barbara, USA (2012)
- The Chemical Record Lecturer of the Chemical Society of Japan, Tokyo (2012)
- 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Angewandte Chemie Lecturer, Berlin, Germany (2013)
- The John Ferry Lecturer of the University of Madison, Wisconsin, USA (2013)
- The 2015 Peter Timms Lecture, University of Bristol, UK (2015)
- The 2015 Mordecai and Rivka Rubin Lecturer, Technion, Israel (2015)
- The Zernike Chair at the Zernike Institute of the University of Groningen (2015)
- The Aldrich Lectureship, Stanford University, USA (2015)
- The Robert W. Taft Memorial Lectureship, University of California, Irvine (2015)
- The Fralin-MII Scholar Lecturer, Virginia Tech, USA (2015)
- The Eastman Lecturer, UNC, Chapel Hill, USA (2016)
- The Marker Lecturer for Chemistry, Penn State, USA (2016)
- The Aggerwal Lecturer, Cornell University, USA (2016)
- The 2016 ScotChem Lecturer, Scotland (2016)
- Visiting Professorship Materials in Mainz, Germany (2016-2018)
- The 2017 Pettit Lecturer of the University of Texas, Austin, USA (2017)
- Humboldt visiting professor at the FU Berlin, Germany (2018-2024)
- The 2018 3M lecturer of the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, USA (2018)

## ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND EDITORIAL BOARDS

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- Member Royal Netherlands Academy of Science (KNAW) (since 2003)
- Member Royal Dutch Society of Science (KHMW) (since 1997)
- Honorary Fellow Chemical Research Society of India (since 2012)
- Member Deutsche Akademie der Technikwissenschaften (acatech) (since 2012)
- Member Academia Europaea (since 2012)
- Corresponding member of the Nordrhein-Westfälische Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Künste (since 2014)
- Fellow American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) (since 2015)
- Scientific Director Institute for Complex Molecular Systems of the Eindhoven University of Technology (2008-2018)
- Founder of SyMO-Chem B.V. contract-research company - Eindhoven (since 2001)
- Co-founder of Suprapolix B.V.; polymer start-up company - Eindhoven (since 2005)
- Chairman of the International Scientific Advisory Board of Royal DSM (2006-2017)
- President-elect of the Bürgenstock Conference in 2017
- Member Board of Trustees Leiden University, the Netherlands (since 2017)
- Scientific chair Gravitation program “Functional Molecular Systems” (since 2012)
- Editor of Journal of Polymer Science A, Polymer Chemistry (since 2005)
- Member of the international advisory/editorial board of ~ 10 Journals, including:
  - Advanced Materials (since 1992)
  - Angewandte Chemie (1998 - 2018)
  - Chemical Science (since 2010)
  - Journal of the American Chemical Society (since 2010)

## KEY PUBLICATIONS

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- J.F.G.A. Jansen, E.M.M. de Brabander-van den Berg, E.W. Meijer, Encapsulation of guest molecules into a dendritic box, *Science* 1994, 266, 1226
- R.P. Sijbesma, F.H. Beijer, L. Brunsveld, B.J.B. Folmer, J.H.K.K. Hirschberg, R.F.M. Lange, J.K.L. Lowe, E.W. Meijer, Reversible polymers from self-complementary monomers using quadruple hydrogen bonding, *Science* 1997, 278, 1601
- J.H.K.K. Hirschberg, L. Brunsveld, A. Ramzi, J.A.J.M. Vekemans, R.P. Sijbesma, E.W. Meijer, Helical self-assembled polymers from cooperative stacking of hydrogen-bonded pairs, *Nature* 2000, 407, 167
- P. Jonkheijm, P. van der Schoot, A.P.H.J. Schenning, E.W. Meijer, Probing the solvent-assisted nucleation in chemical self-assembly, *Science*. 2006, 313, 80
- T. Aida, E.W. Meijer, S.I. Stupp, Functional Supramolecular Polymers, *Science* 2012, 335, 813
- P. Korevaar, S.J. George, A.J. Markvoort, M.M.J. Smulders, P.A.J. Hilbers, A.P.H.J. Schenning, T.F.A. de Greef, E.W. Meijer, Pathway complexity in supramolecular polymerization processes, *Nature*, 2012, 481, 492.
- L. Albertazzi, F.J. Martinez-Veracoechea, C.M.A. Leenders, I.K. Voets, D. Frenkel and E.W. Meijer, Spatiotemporal control and superselectivity in supramolecular polymers using multivalency, *PNAS* 110, 12203-12208 (2013)

## KEY PATENTS

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- J.C. Hummelen, E.W. Meijer, H. Wynberg; chemiluminescent labels for ELISA (1983)
- E.M.M. de Brabander-van den Berg, E.W. Meijer; The preparation of poly(propylene imine) dendrimers (1993)
- R.P. Sijbesma, F.H. Beijer, L. Brunsveld, E.W. Meijer; Supramolecular polymers based on quadruple hydrogen bonding units (1997)
- H.M. Janssen, G.M.L. van Gemert, A.W. Bosman, E.W. Meijer; Supramolecular polymers with quadruple hydrogen bonded units in the main chain (2005)
- T.W. Baughman, G.M.L. Hoorne-van Gemert, H.M. Janssen, E.W. Meijer. A.W. Bosman; Strong reversible hydrogels (2008)