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Dr. Sumption's studies to advance understanding of disease ecology at the intersection of wildlife, domestic settings and the environment span more

than 30 years. His research has explored a vast range of ecological and species topics, ranging from studies on how disease can affect ecosystem balances as an undergraduate ecology student, through his PhD studies on African Swine Fever in wild and domestic hosts in southern Africa.

As Secretary for the European Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) based within the FAO, Dr. Sumption has more than 17 years' experience managing epizootic diseases in wildlife and domestic environments. Since June 2020, he has served as Chief Veterinary Officer at FAO and since July 2022, he has served as the Chief of FAO's Centre for Zoonoses and AMR (CJWZ), and as Leader of FAO's Animal Health Service.



