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Hanno Würbel - Brief Bio

Hanno Würbel studied biology at the University of Bern in Switzerland and obtained his PhD in animal sciences at the Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) Zürich. With a Swiss National Science Foundation Fellowship, he continued his research on abnormal repetitive behaviour in laboratory rodents at Bristol University, before returning to the ETH Zürich as a postdoc. In 2002, he was appointed Professor of Animal Welfare and Ethology at the University of Giessen in Germany, and in 2011, he returned to the University of Bern, where he is Professor for Animal Welfare. He is also the president of the Ethics Committee for Animal Experimentation of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences. His current research focuses on phenotypic plasticity and its implications for the welfare of captive animals and for the scientific validity and reproducibility of animal research. He received various awards for his research, including the Felix Wankel Animal Welfare Research Award 2009, the International Society for Applied Ethology Creativity Award 2015, and the Charles River Laboratories Excellence in Refinement Award 2017. Hanno also works on assessing and improving the health and wellbeing of farm animals and companion animals, mostly poultry, rabbits, dogs and horses.