

PERSONAL INFORMATION



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Sex: Male Date of birth: 01/09/1956 Nationality: French

POSITION

Senior Researcher, specialist in Medical Entomology and Parasitology.
With primary interest in human diseases transmitted by mosquito vectors: malaria and arbovirosis.

Permanent position, Director of research (1st class), at the French National 'Institut de Recherche pour le Développement' <www.ird.fr>

WORK EXPERIENCE

From 2009	Researcher, Centre IRD, Montpellier, France
2008-2008	Researcher, Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France
2000-2004	Researcher, Institut Pasteur de Madagascar, Antananarivo, Madagascar
1993-2000	Researcher, Centre ORSTOM, Dakar, Senegal
1989-1993	Researcher, Organisation de Coordination dans la lutte contre les grandes endémies en Afrique Centrale (OCEAC), Yaounde, Cameroun
1982-1988	Researcher, Organisation de coordination et de coopération pour la lutte contre les grandes endémies en Afrique de l'Ouest, Centre Muraz, Bobo-Dioulasso, Burkina Faso
1980-1981	Researcher, Institut Pasteur de Dakar, Dakar, Senegal

Altogether, he has worked in more than 20 countries in three continents.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1994	Habilitation to Direct Researches (accreditation to lead scientific researches in French universities) – University Paris 6
1989	PhD thesis in Medical Entomology on Malaria transmission – University Paris 6
1982	Certificate of statistics applied to biology and medicine – University Paris 6
1979	Diploma d'Etudes Approfondies (DEA) of Embryology – University Paris 6
1978	Master ('maîtrise') of Animal Biology (Option research) – University Paris 6
1977	Supplementary certificate of Insect Biology – University Paris 6

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

French

Other language(s)

English

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	B2	C1	B2	B2	C1

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user

Scientific competencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bio-ecology of mosquito vectors, especially in Africa, Madagascar and Islands of South-western Indian Ocean, and Euro-Mediterranean areas - Gametocyte stage of <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> in man - Vector-parasites relationships, especially malaria parasites and anopheline mosquitoes - Practical estimation of malaria transmission in field conditions - Control of vector borne diseases, particularly through insecticide impregnated bed-net - Malaria and arbovirose diseases in Africa, Madagascar and Euro-Mediterranean areas - Biodiversity in the Isles of South-western Indian Ocean
Team leader	<p>Head of laboratory, Unit or Research group, in successive positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IRD Research Unit Malaria (Yaounde, Dakar, Bobo-Dioulasso, Montpellier; 1990-1994) - Laboratory of Paludology (Dakar; 1997-2000) - Medical Entomology Unit (Antananarivo; 2000-2004) - 'Vector-Pathogen Interactions' Research Group (Paris and Montpellier; 2006-2009)
Teaching charges	<p>Direction of teaching : Co-Director of the Course Pasteur-IRD "Insect vectors and transmission of pathogenic agents". Course of 9 weeks, venue at the Institut Pasteur, Paris, for 15-20 students, in 2008 and 2011. Course of 4 weeks, in 2016 (March 07- April 01) and 2018 (03-27 April) http://www.pasteur.fr/en/teaching/institut-pasteur-courses/epidemiology-and-public-health-theme/insectes-vecteurs-transmission-d-agents-pathogenes</p> <p>Organisation of workshops : Founding member of the Malaria Workshop team at the Institut Pasteur of Madagascar. Responsible of the week "Transmission and epidemiology" in 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011 and 2013</p> <p>Various university teaching : especially in Universities of Montpellier and Marseille</p>
Expertises	<p>Red (health) expert in 'Case Studies on the Use of the Green, White, Blue and Red Biotechnologies in Five African Countries: A Contribution to Discussion of Possible Future European Support for Biotechnology in Developing Countries' - European Commission – ECART-EEIG contract 210-719; June 18, 2010.</p> <p>Mission of evaluation of 'Service de lutte antivectorielle' in Mayotte, France, query of DASS, France; Oct 2008</p> <p>Mission of evaluation of the mosquito control in French Guyana, query of the Ministry of Health, France; May 2004</p> <p>Mission on malaria resistance and mosquito vectors in the Island of Grande Comore, query of the Ministry of health, Comoros; March 2001, January 2003</p>
Major discovery	He belonged to the team that, for the first time, demonstrated the huge entomological impacts of pyrethroid impregnated bednets against anopheline mosquitoes and malaria transmission.
Other skills	<p>President of the scientific committee of the E-SOVE (European Society for Vector Ecology) 18th International Conference, Montpellier-France. From biology to integrated control in a changing world; October 8-11, 2012 www.esove2012.eu/</p> <p>WP leader – Medical Entomology in the European Project 'MediLabSecure' (2014-2018) IFS/2013/330 961 Project 37. Project with 19 beneficiary countries (North Africa, Middle-East, Black Sea, Balkans). Coordinating tenderer: Institut Pasteur de Paris.</p> <p>Expert – Mosquito Group in the European Project 'VectorNet' (2014-2018) OC/EFSA/AHAW//2013/02. A network for sharing data on the geographic distribution of arthropod vectors, transmitting human and animal disease agents. Coordinating tenderer: Avia-GIS, Antwerpen.</p>
Driving licence	A (motorcycle) and B (car)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Publications

He published 3 books, > 200 articles in international peer-reviewed journals (H factor = 30) and > 20 book-chapters.

Examples of publications

→ Books

Duvallet G, Fontenille D & **Robert V** (Eds) – *Entomologie médicale et vétérinaire*. IRD Editions, 2017, 687 pp.

Carnevale P & **Robert V** – *Les anophèles : biologie, transmission du Plasmodium et lutte antivectorielle*. IRD Editions, 2009, 391 pp.

→ Scientific articles

Robert V, Günay F, Le Goff G, Boussès P, Sulesco T, [...], Petrić D, Schaffner F. Distribution chart for Euro-Mediterranean mosquitoes (western Palaearctic region). *Journal of the European Mosquito Control Association*, 2019, 37:1-28.

Jourdain F, Picard M, Sulesco T, [...] & **Robert V**. Identification of mosquitoes (Diptera: Culicidae): an external quality assessment of medical entomology laboratories in the MediLabSecure network. *Parasites & Vectors*, 2018, **11**: 553.

Tandina F, Douumbo O, Yaro AS, Traoré SF, Parola P & **Robert V** - Mosquitoes (Diptera: Culicidae) and mosquito-borne diseases in Mali, West Africa. *Parasites and Vectors*, 2018, **11**:467.

Failloux AB, Bouattour A, Faraj C, [...] & **Robert V** - Surveillance of arthropod-borne viruses and their vectors in the Mediterranean and Black Sea regions within the MediLabSecure network. *Current Tropical Medicine Reports*, 2017, **4**:27-39.

Akiner MM, Demirci B, Babuadze G, **Robert V**, Schaffner F - Spread of the invasive mosquitoes *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* in the Black Sea region increases risk of chikungunya, dengue, and Zika outbreak in Europe. *PLoS Neg Trop Dis*, 2016, **10**(4): e0004664.

Le Goff G, Goodman SM, Elguero E & **Robert V** – Survey of the mosquitoes (Diptera: Culicidae) of Mayotte. *PLoS ONE*, 2014, 9(7): e100696.

Le Goff G, Boussès P, Julienne S, Brengues C, Rahola N, Rocamora G & **Robert V** - The mosquitoes (Diptera: Culidae) of Seychelles: taxonomy, ecology, vectorial importance, and identification keys. *Parasites and Vectors*, 2012, **5**, 207.

Robert V, Rocamora G, Julienne S & Goodman S - Why are anopheline mosquitoes not present in the Seychelles? *Malaria Journal*, 2011, **10**, 31.

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Talman AM, Domarle O, McKenzie FE, Ariey F & **Robert V** - Gametocytogenesis: the puberty of *Plasmodium falciparum*. *Malaria Journal*, 2004, **3**, 24.

Paul REL, Ariey F & **Robert V** - The evolution ecology of Plasmodium. *Ecology Letters*, 2003, **6**: 866-880.

Ariey F & **Robert V** - The puzzling links between malaria transmission and drug resistance. *Trends in Parasitology*, 2003, **19**: 158-160.

Robert V, Macintyre K, Keating J, Trape JF, Duchemin JB, Warren M & Beier JC - Malaria transmission in urban sub-saharan Africa. *Am J Trop Med Hyg*, 2003, **68**: 169-176.

Robert V, Awono-Ambéné HP, Le Hesran JY & Trape JF – Gametocytemia and infectivity to mosquitoes of patients with uncomplicated *Plasmodium falciparum* malaria attacks treated with chloroquine or sulphadoxine plus pyrimethamine. *Am. J. Trop. Med. Hyg.*, 2000, **62**: 210-216.

Robert V, Awono-Ambéné HP & Thioulouse J - Ecology of larval mosquitoes, with special reference to *Anopheles arabiensis* (Diptera: Culicidae) in market-garden wells in urban Dakar, Senegal. *J. Med. Entomol.*, 1998, **35**: 948-955.

→ Book chapters

Robert V – Introduction aux arthropodes nuisants, aux vecteurs et aux maladies à transmission vectorielle. In : *Protection personnelle antivectorielle*. Duvallet G & de Gentile L Eds. Coll. Didactiques, Ed. IRD, Marseille, 2012: 25-49.

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