

Name:	Prof. Ben (Willem) Mol	
Affiliation:	University of Adelaide, Australia	

Biography

Ben (Willem) Mol is Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Adelaide, South Australia. He is focused on the organisation of multi-centric evaluative research in Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Fertility. The research is focused mainly upon everyday practices. As a Professor, Ben considers his most important task to be the stimulation and innovation of evaluative research in Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Reproductive Medicine, in particular the organisation of multicentre randomised clinical trials.

Ben studied Medicine at the University of Amsterdam. From 1993 to 1997, he worked in the department of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the AMC. In 1999 he obtained doctorate with honours at the Faculty of Medicine of the UvA with his dissertation entitled Evaluating the effectiveness of diagnostic tests: tubal subfertility and ectopic pregnancy. Between 1997 and 2003 he was trained as a Gynaecologist in Utrecht. Since 2003, he has worked in Veldhoven and Amsterdam and since 2014 in Adelaide.

Ben was instrumental in initiating the Dutch consortium for Research in Women's health, in which 70 hospitals collaborate in multicenter trials. The initiative is now incorporated by the Dutch Society for Obstetrics and Gynaecology and is supported by the Dutch national funder and the Dutch health insurance companies. In 2010, he co-initiated the Global Obstetric Network GOnet.

Ben holds an NHMRC practitioner fellowship, which was awarded as the highest ranked application in 2014. He has completed 100 randomised clinical trials with another 25 running. His professional adage is „A day without randomisation is a day without progress.'