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#### Biosketch of Pierre Vogel

After his Ph.D. studies at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland (1969, Prof. Horst Prinzbach), Pierre Vogel spent two years at Yale University with Prof. Martin Saunders. He then joined the research laboratory of Syntex in Mexico-City and worked with Prof. Pierre Crabbé. He returned to the University of Lausanne where he was promoted full-professor in 1977. He has been associate-professor at the Ecole Normale Supérieure in Paris, at the University of Paris VI, at the University of Montpellier, France. He taught also at the Universities of Rouen and Caen in Normandy and at the Ecole Polytechnique in Palaiseau near Paris. He obtained the Novartis lectureship for 2003 and was elected Boehringer-Ingelheim Distinguished Lecturer for 2005. Since 2001, Prof. Pierre Vogel chairs the Laboratory of Glycochemistry and of Asymmetric Synthesis of the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland. He published three books and has co-authored more than 490 publications in the fields of physical organic chemistry, organic and organometallic synthesis, total asymmetric synthesis of natural products of biological interest, catalysis, glycochemistry and bio-organic chemistry.