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Marjo-Riitta Järvelin is Professor and Chair of Lifecourse Epidemiology at *Imperial College London* and a part-time professor at the *University of Oulu* in Finland. She trained as a paediatrician, but she has since focused on running large-scale population-based studies for over 25 years. She is the Scientific Director of the **Northern Finland Birth Cohort Research Programme**, which involves a network of over 400 collaborators worldwide. Among her research interests include determining genetic and early life environmental origins of multi-factorial diseases and disorders, and has published nearly 600 original papers. She has received funding from the MRC UK, Wellcome Trust UK, EU, NIH USA and the Academy of Finland, among others. Professor Järvelin also takes an active role in research training. She is the Director of Postgraduate Studies at the School of Public Health at Imperial College London, and has supervised and examined dissertations of nearly 50 doctoral students to date.

In 2007, she was a recipient of the Research Excellence Award in Genetic Epidemiology at Imperial College London. She was named the Epidemiologist of the Year 2012 by *The Finnish Society* in Epidemiology, and, in 2013, was honoured with a membership to the *Finnish Academy of Sciences and Letters*.