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Since July 1996, Dr Kibenge has been Professor of Virology, and starting in June 2009, Chairman of Department of Pathology and Microbiology, Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward. Beginning in May 2004, he serves as OIE Expert for Infectious Salmon Anaemia (ISA). In this role, his laboratory confirmed the first occurrence of ISA in farmed Atlantic salmon in Chile in July 2007, and characterized the virus responsible for the 2007-2010 ISA epizootic in Chile.

In 2006, he served on a 9-member ad hoc panel of experts on Animal Health and Welfare of the Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food Safety to identify the risk factors relating to spread of ISA that required development of management strategies. Dr Kibenge has a BVM (Makerere University, 1978), a PhD in Animal Virology (Murdoch University, 1983), and extensive post-doctoral research experience in virology in UK (University of Liverpool) and USA (Washington State University and Ohio State University).

He is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists, ACVM (Immunology). He has published extensively on ISA virus, and currently serves on the editorial boards of BMC Molecular Biology journal and Journal of Biomedicine and Biotechnology.