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Peter Daszak: PREDICT and the Global Virome Project



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Dr. Peter Daszak is President of EcoHealth Alliance, a US-based organization that conducts research and outreach on global health, conservation and international development. Dr. Daszak's work includes identifying the bat origin of SARS, the drivers of Nipah virus emergence, publishing the first global emerging disease 'hotspots' map, discovering SARS coronavirus, designing a strategy to estimate unknown viral diversity in wildlife, launching the Global Virome Project, identifying the first case of a species extinction due to disease, and discovering the disease chytridiomycosis as the cause global amphibian declines. Dr. Daszak is a member of the National Academy of Medicine and Chair of the NASEM's Forum on Microbial Threats. He is a member of the NRC Advisory Committee to the US Global Change Research Program, the Supervisory Board of the One Health Platform, the One Health Commission Council of Advisors, the CEEZAD External Advisory Board, the Cosmos Club, and the Advisory Council of the Bridge Collaborative. He has served on the IOM Committee on global surveillance for emerging zoonoses, the NRC committee on the future of veterinary research, the International Standing Advisory Board of the Australian Biosecurity CRC; and has advised the Director for Medical Preparedness Policy on the White House National Security Staff on global health issues. Dr. Daszak is a regular advisor to WHO on pathogen prioritization for R&D. Dr. Daszak won the 2000 CSIRO medal for collaborative research on the discovery of amphibian chytridiomycosis, is the EHA institutional lead for USAID-EPT-PREDICT, is on the Editorial Board of *Conservation Biology*, *One Health*, *One Health Outlook*, *GeoHealth*, *Trans. Roy. Soc. Trop. Med. Hyg.*, and is Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Ecohealth*. He has authored over 300 scientific papers, was listed as a Web of Science *Highly Cited Researchers* in 2018, and his work has been the focus of extensive media coverage.