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In 1993 he started his Ph.D. thesis in the Knowledge-Based Systems group, headed by Prof. Nicolaas Mars, at the faculty of Computer Science of the University of Twente. His thesis research focused on the development and use of qualitative reasoning techniques for the model-based analysis of measurements in science and engineering. In addition, he maintained a strong interest in the potential role of computers in making scientific discoveries. In 1998 he obtained his Ph.D. degree.

In the same year, Hidde de Jong joined the Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique (INRIA) in France as a research scientist (*chargé de recherche*). He started to work in the SHERPA research group, headed by François Rechenmann, at the Rhône-Alpes research unit of INRIA in Grenoble. Since 2000, he has been a member of the HELIX research group in bioinformatics, created by François Rechenmann. He mainly works on the development of computational methods for the qualitative analysis of genetic regulatory networks.

In fall of 2004, he obtained his 'Habilitation à diriger des recherches' from the Université Joseph Fourier in Grenoble and was appointed senior research scientist (*directeur de recherche*) at INRIA in the next year.

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