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Curriculum Vitae

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After graduating from her Master, Annelies started working as a PhD student at the Department of Medical Pharmacology of the LACDR at Leiden University and the LUMC. She studied genome-wide binding sites of Glucocorticoid Receptors in a neuronal context under supervision of Dr. Nicole Datson and Prof. dr. Ron de Kloet. The results of her PhD research are reported in this thesis.

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