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Curriculum Vitae

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In parallel to the scientific studies, from 2002 to 2011 she studied classical piano at the National Conservatory of Music of Benevento, Italy obtaining her ten years degree in 2011 summa cum laude.

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After completing her musical studies in 2014, she started her internship at the Erasmus Medical Center of Rotterdam at the department of Neuroscience with a project focusing on the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying learning and neurodevelopmental disorders.

In July 2014 she started her PhD project at Leiden University under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Joke Bouwstra and Prof. Dr. Gideon Kersten (Division of BioTherapeutics, Leiden Academic Centre for Drug Research (LACDR), Leiden University) which resulted in this thesis. In June 2019 she started as Scientist at the Business Unit Formulation and Lyophilization at Coriolis Pharma, a biopharmaceutical research and development service in Munich, Germany.

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