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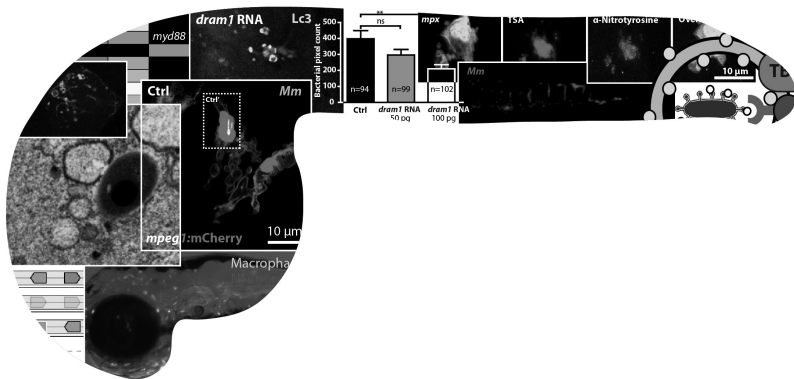
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Michiël van der Vaart was born on April 23rd, 1985 in Maasland, The Netherlands. He also grew up there and finished his high school at the Christelijk Lyceum Delft. In 2003 he started studying for his BSc in Biology at Leiden University, during which he performed an internship at the Leiden University Medical Center under supervision of Dr. Louise Veltrop-Duits and Dr. Marco Schilham. Directly after obtaining his BSc degree in 2006, he started working on obtaining his MSc degree in Biology at the same university, with specialisations in Molecular and Cellular Biosciences and Science Based Business. During his MSc studies, he completed two internships, one at the Leiden University at the department of Molecular Cell Biology (under supervision of Dr. Oliver Stockhammer and Dr. Annemarie Meijer), and one at a company called Groen Agro Control (under supervision of Dr. Adriaan Vermunt and Dr. Bert van Tol). He obtained his MSc degree (cum laude) early in 2009, and shortly after he started as a PhD-student in the infectious disease group of Dr. Annemarie Meijer at the Molecular Cell Biology department headed by Prof. Dr. Herman Spaink. During his PhD-training he studied the innate immune response against intracellular bacterial pathogens, using the zebrafish embryo as a model organism, which resulted in the work before you. After publishing chapters 2 and 3 during his PhD-studies, he and his co-authors are currently working on publishing chapters 4, 5, and 6 of this thesis. In 2014 he will start his postdoctoral research in the laboratory of Prof. Dr. David Traver at the University of California, San Diego.

