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Curriculum Vitae

Dylan Paul Noone was born on the 6th of June 1994 in London, UK, where he completed both primary and secondary education. Later he studied biochemistry with a year in industry at the University of Bristol. He began studies in September 2013, spending a year doing a research project with a small biotech firm Oxitec[™] (2015-2016) developing novel methods to sterilise various species of *Drosophila* for the purpose of agricultural pest control. He later completed a research project in the lab of Ian Collinson at the University of Bristol (2016-2017), where he helped develop a real-time luminescence assay to monitor protein transport. He went on to complete a year-long project as a research assistant helping two post-doctoral researchers study mitochondrial protein import via structural and biochemical methods (2017-2018) in the lab of Ian Collinson. Dylan then decided to do a PhD, joining the nascent group of Thom Sharp at the LUMC in the Netherlands (2018-2023). During his time at the LUMC Dylan honed his biochemical skills developed during his time in the UK, and gained proficiency in cryoelectron microscopy (cryoEM). Starting a project from scratch Dylan managed to complete several projects using both single particle analysis and cryo-tomography, giving him a wellrounded knowledge of cryoEM and resulting in several publications. During his PhD Dylan had the opportunity to present at the Dutch Biophysics conference in Eindhoven and attend several more throughout the Netherlands. In August 2023 Dylan went on to continue his academic career in the lab of Doryen Bubeck at Imperial College London interrogating internalised membrane attack complexes via correlated cryoEM and fluorescence microscopy.

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