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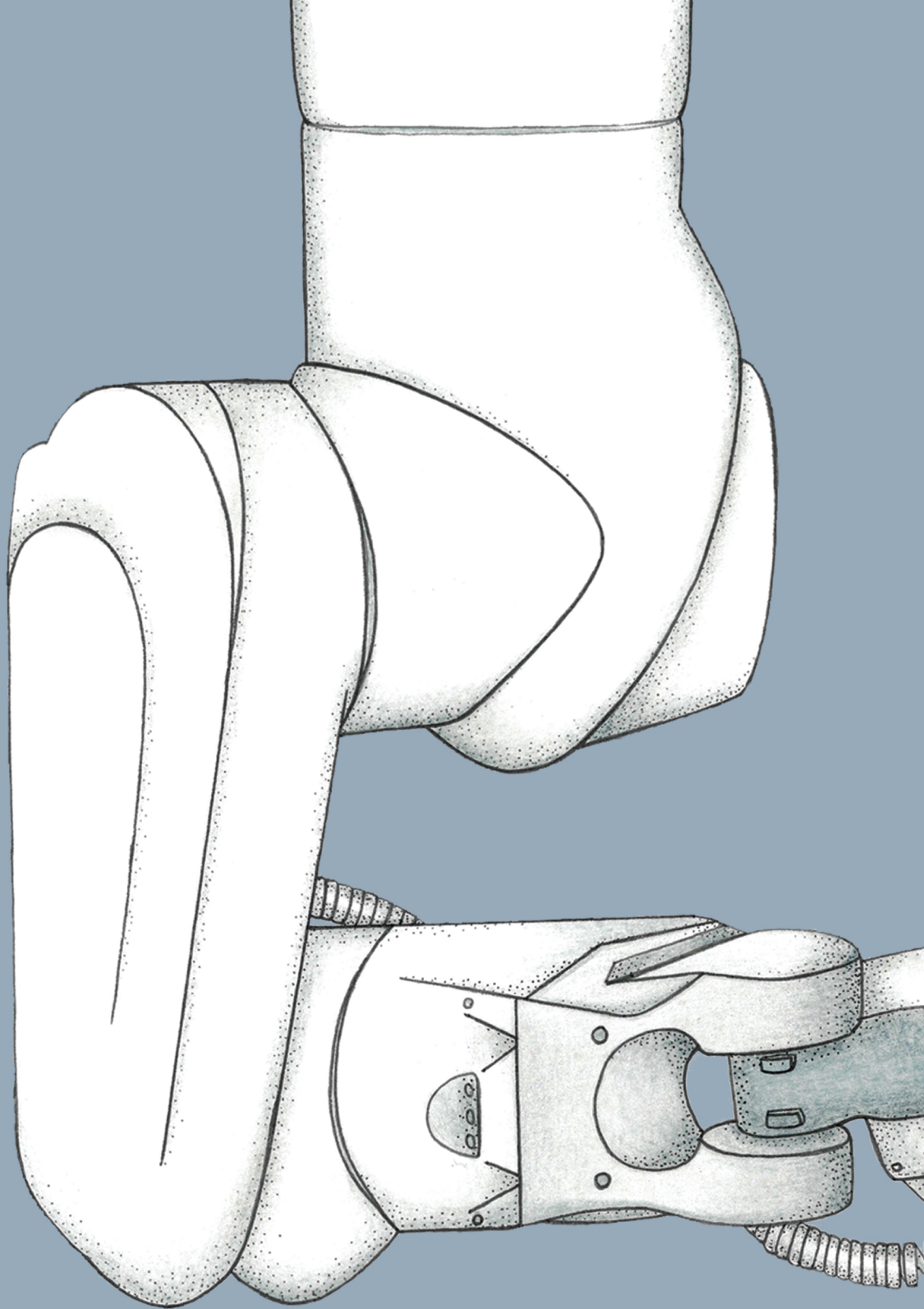
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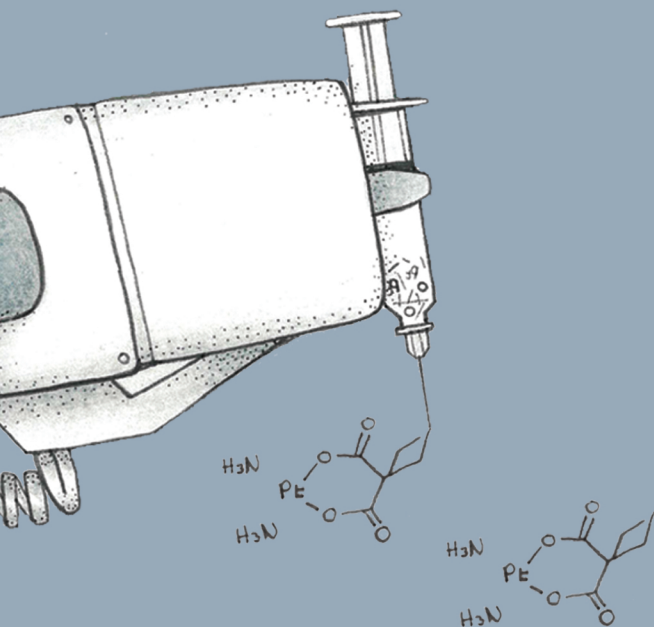
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CURRICULUM VITAE

Tjerk Harmen Geersing was born in Hengelo, The Netherlands, in 1989. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy from the University of Groningen (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen) in 2009, followed by a Master's degree in Pharmacy in 2013. Shortly after, he began his career as a pharmacist at the Laurentius Hospital in Roermond. In 2014, he joined Stichting Health Base, where he conducted research on hypersensitivity reactions following vaccination.

In 2016, Tjerk started working as a pharmacist at OLVG in Amsterdam, where he implemented and conducted research on a robotic compounding system under the supervision of Dr. Mirjam Crul. During his residency training in hospital pharmacy, completed at OLVG and Amsterdam UMC, he continued his research into robotic reconstitution. Additionally, he pursued specializations in infectious diseases and medical leadership and conducted a study on continuous amphotericin B infusion in critically ill patients.

In 2021, Tjerk initiated a collaboration with the Leiden Academic Center for Drug Research (LACDR) in Leiden. That same year he officially began his PhD research at LACDR under the supervision of Dr. Mirjam Crul, Dr. Eric Franssen, the late Prof. Dr. Wim Jiskoot, and later Prof. Dr. Catherijne Knibbe. Concurrently, he started working as a hospital pharmacist at the St. Antonius Hospital in Nieuwegein. His doctoral research focused on evaluating the advantages of robotic reconstitution of cytostatic drugs and monoclonal antibodies compared to manual reconstitution methods.

Tjerk's passion for automation and innovation remained evident at the St. Antonius Hospital, where he integrated the center into his PhD research and successfully implemented a robotic compounding system in 2024.

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