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# Amsterdam Cardiovascular Sciences

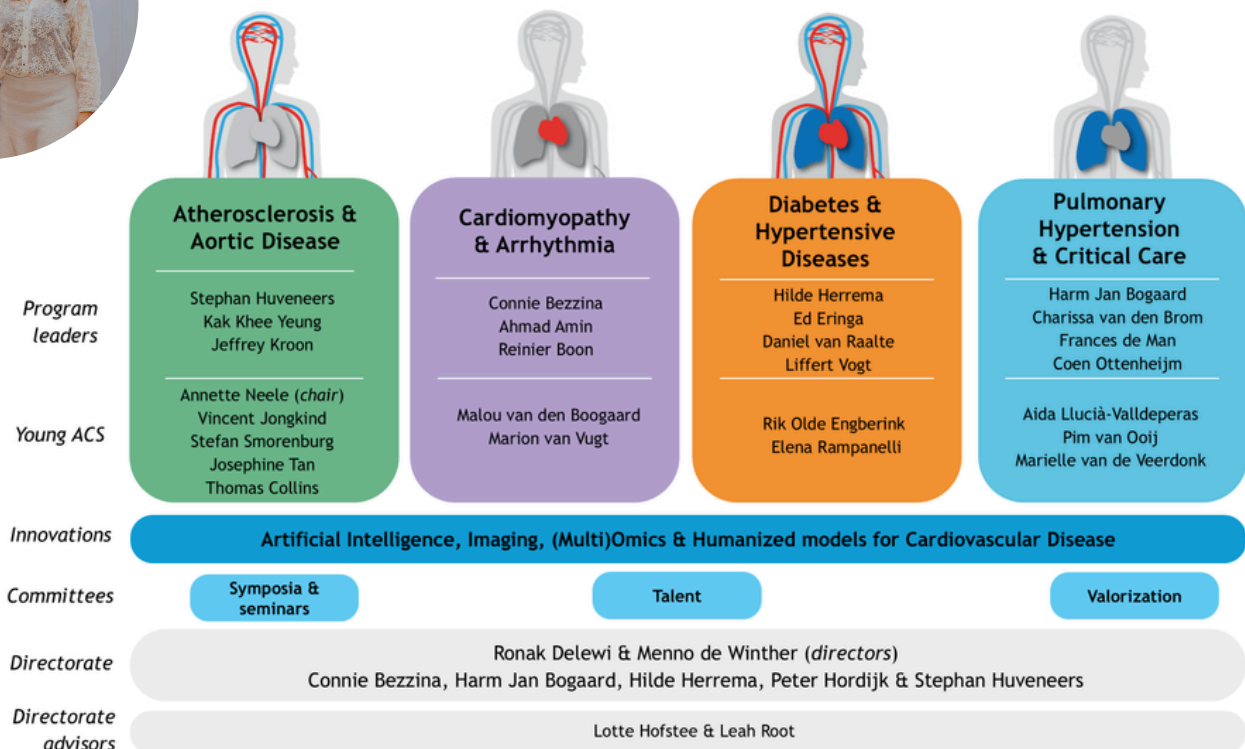


## About ACS

The Amsterdam Cardiovascular Sciences (ACS) research institute of Amsterdam UMC is established in 2016 and works towards preventing and curing cardiovascular diseases. It interconnects excellence in clinical and basic research to provide a unique infrastructure for talented cardiovascular researchers. Over 1000 Amsterdam UMC researchers with wide variety of expertise in the field of cardiovascular sciences have been affiliated with ACS.

## ACS RESEARCH PROGRAMS & INNOVATIONS

Research within ACS is organized in 4 research programs. Each program is managed by 2-3 program leaders and has 2-3 members of Young ACS, the internal advisory board. There are 4 overarching innovations that connect the research from the programs. Several of the ACS activities are organized in the 3 committees.





## BENEFITS



### ACS Events

Expand your network by visiting [ACS events](#).



### ACS Grants

Apply for [ACS grants](#):

- Talent grants
- Out of the box grant
- Equipment grant
- Work visit grant



### ACS Thesis App

Share your PhD thesis with (international) colleagues, friends and family using our interactive [ACS Thesis app](#).



### More

Find more examples on how you could benefit from your affiliation to [ACS here](#).



## ACS EVENTS

### Monthly ACS symposia

Every first Thursday of the month, one of the four research programs or one of the innovations will organize a symposium. Lunch is included.

Visit the [events page](#) for an overview of upcoming symposia.

### Annual ACS symposium

Every year we organize the Annual ACS Symposium. The aim is to stimulate collaborations between the ACS research programs and to provide a forum to exchange your latest research results.

Save the date:  
10 December 2026



## PURE: YOUR ONLINE PERSONAL RESEARCH PAGE

All Amsterdam UMC researchers have their own personal research page on the Amsterdam UMC website. By updating your specialization, focus of research, (key) publication you gain visibility within and outside Amsterdam UMC.

The Pure [contact person](#) of your department needs to affiliate you to one or two ACS research programs\* in Pure. Visit the [Publishing and Pure page](#) on the Amsterdam UMC website for more information

\*Besides the departmental affiliation, all researchers must also be affiliated with at least one research institute and one research program. You can be affiliated with maximum two research institutes and maximum two research programs per research institute.

## AFFILIATION ADDRESS

The Board of the Amsterdam UMC kindly requests to use the right affiliation addresses in the process of submitting/publishing your paper. Please not only add Amsterdam UMC, the University but also the Research institute(s) and the Research institute program(s) as affiliations in publications.

Please note: it is allowed to have more than one affiliation with a research institute! Click [here](#) for more information and examples.



# COMMUNICATION

## Communicate your research

Share your research and milestones with the outside world to increase your visibility, strengthen your academic profile and create new opportunities within and outside of the research institute.

## The importance to ACS

We believe it is important to communicate about research to demonstrate the contribution ACS researchers make to advancing the cardiovascular field and care. To this end we collaborate with the Heart Center and Corporate Communication. We work on science communication by including news items in our newsletter, through coverage of newsarticles on our websites and through engagement on social media.

## How to start?

Involve one of us as soon as possible.  
The best place is to start with ACS (Lotte Hofstee) or the Heart Center (Manôu ten Asbroek).

## Provide input

To see if and how we can communicate about your research, we need your input:

- Any concept texts that you have
- A summary for a broad audience
- Why this is important (for you, the organization, the research community, patients and/or caregivers)



## Also interesting for us

- Are there collaboration partners?
- Any funders that contributed to the research?
  - What are the next steps?
- Are there any photos or videos available about the research?

ACS News



Researching the effect of air pollution on renal aging and increased cardiovascular risk in São Paulo with the ACS work visit grant

Last year the ACS work visit grant was awarded for the first time. The first awardee was Jonathan Overeem, who went to the university of São Paulo in Brazil to research the effects of air pollution on kidney health. Here he used unique facilities to investigate how particulate matter (PM2.5)

Smartwatch use enhances detection of heart arrhythmias, improves quality of care.

Smartwatches with heart rate variability (HRV) functionality improve detection of atrial fibrillation in cardiac patients. Researchers from the data for arrhythmia

# DESIGN

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## INFORMATION FOR PHD STUDENTS

### ACS PhD Retreat

The ACS PhD Retreat is an annual event for all PhD candidates (starters and seniors). This two-day event will consist of inspiring keynote speakers, workshops and pitches from your peers, focusing on cardiovascular sciences, but also on inspiring stories beyond. The event is free of charge and includes hotel stay and food and drinks.

The ACS PhD Retreat 2026 will take place on 3 and 4 June 2026.



### Career development

The ACS Talent Committee aims to motivate and support young ACS scientists to explore their options for a career within or outside academia. They plan to connect researchers of all career stages, so they can exchange questions and advice, do's and don'ts, concerns and perspectives on grant or job applications, (personal) funding, working in consortia, etc. To do this, they organize several activities on career development each year.

Keep an eye on the ACS calendar for more events.



### Finishing your PhD?

#### Upload your thesis in our ACS thesis app

ACS provides the PhD Thesis App for ACS PhD candidates who are graduating from Amsterdam UMC. The ACS Thesis App makes your PhD thesis more interactive, accessible and sustainable. The app is sponsored by ACS and replaces the former ACS grant for printing costs.

Visit the [ACS Thesis app page](#) on the ACS website for more information and subscription.

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