







Focus of research group (I)

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Size of research group: 4x PD's, 4x PhD's, 3x Tech's (am looking to recruit 3-4 new members)

Current mission, vision and aims

Mission: To explore the molecular regulation of lipid metabolism at the cellular and organismal level as a means to understand its contribution to development of CVD.

Vision: Fundamental science requires a creative, dynamic, and collaborative environment. The institute (i.e. AMC/VUMC/ACS etc) should facilitate/create this. The rest will come by itself!











Focus of research group (II)

Current expertise

- Ubiquitin biology in lipid metabolism
- CRISPR-based genome editing
- Genome wide functional genetics screens (haploid- or CRISPR-based)
- Mouse metabolic models

Current funding

- ERC Consolidator grant
- NWO Vici
- Dutch Heart Society Established Investigator award
- Stichting Zabawas
- Ara Parseghian Medical Research Fund
- AMC/ACS











Future plans

Short term (1-2 year) plan

Plan:

- Clarify the role of March6 in the liver, fat, and macrophages
- Identify genetic modifiers of NPC1
- Initiate studies of Rnf145 and SPRING

Necessary infrastructure:

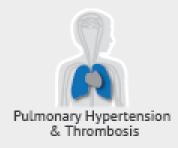
- State-of-the-art facilities to study mouse metabolic phenotypes. Current infrastructure and support is outdated and insufficient
- Proteomics unit (easy access/quick turn-around)

Long term (>2 year) plan

Plan:

- Continue with Rnf145 and SPRING
- Shift/expand studies towards Lp(a) and TG metabolism
- Identify the Lp(a) receptor(s)
- Focus and expand on the ERs role in lipid metabolism and answer how cholesterol is delivered from the lysosome to the ER











Future plans

Collaboration in ACS (ongoing projects/experiments)

VUMC:

- Peter Hordijk (OOTB)
- Elga de Vries (OOTB)

AMC:

- Kees Hovingh
- Onno Holleboom
- Carlie de Vries