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# PhD Opportunities

at the University Medical Center Groningen

become a top researcher in an academically demanding,  
interdisciplinary, and international research environment

**aspire to be great**

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# tailor made for you

## unique for every individual

- > Agree with your supervisor to start your program at any time of the year.
- > Take courses that are specific to supporting your research project.
- > Work independently under the supervision of one of Groningen's Principal Investigators (PIs).



## committed to quality

### we strive for the very best

- > All our supervisors are PIs, who have met certain quality requirements. They will work with you towards the successful completion of your thesis and defence within four years.
- > Our students are highly talented and motivated with a good level of English communication skills.
- > Your thesis will consist of approximately four to five experimental chapters, to be published in top peer-reviewed journals.

# translational research

unravel questions from diverse perspectives

The UMCG has divided its research into five different institutes:

- > GUIDE Institute: Chronic Diseases and Drug Exploration
- > BCN-BRAIN Institute: Behavioral and Cognitive Neurosciences
- > SHARE Institute: Health Research and Epidemiology
- > W.J. Kolff Institute: Biomaterials
- > CRCG Institute: Fundamental, Clinical and Translational Cancer Research

# why the Netherlands?

we pride ourselves on the quality of our doctoral research

The Netherlands is ranked 2nd in the world based on the number of publications per researcher, and 4th based on its impact worldwide.

# experience Groningen

get a taste of our vibrant student city

## why the UMCG? cutting-edge research

PhD defenses  
**200** annually

**2nd** largest teaching  
hospital in the country

**2000** scientific  
articles annually

represents **40%**  
of the University of Groningen's  
research output

**50%**  
international PhD  
students

**healthy ageing**  
from cell to society

you will receive your PhD from a **top 100 university**

We want to help you make the right choice. If you have identified a potential research match and our PI is interested in hosting you, then you are entitled to a one-month "Research Voucher".

This partial-grant (excluding travel costs) covers the cost of your stay whilst you spend four weeks at a research department of your choice. During this time you can experience our research environment, the city of Groningen, and your supervisor will be able to assess your qualities.

# interested in applying?

we will help you take the right steps.

1. Browse our website to identify researchers within your field of expertise.

2. Send us your English-language CV, an overview of your research interests and any potential matches you might have found on our website. We will help to pair you up with a researcher.

3. Get in touch with the researcher we have identified together. Our PI will probably want to conduct a (Skype) interview to get to know your academic and language skills, your motivation, and yourself better.



# get in touch

## keep us informed from the start

The Graduate School of Medical Sciences is here to help guide you through the application process and put you in touch with the right people. We can also inform our PIs of all the various collaboration opportunities.

For PhD and funding information:

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