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POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER &  
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## PERSONAL DETAILS

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## EXPERTISE

- Pediatric oncology
- Neuro-oncology
- Translational research
- Preclinical disease models
- Preclinical therapy development
- Tumor immunology
- Blood-brain barrier

## LANGUAGES

- English (Fluent)
- Dutch (Native)
- Spanish (Fluent)
- German (Basic)
- French (Basic)



## WORK EXPERIENCE

**POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW** 2020 - PRESENT

Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology  
Utrecht, The Netherlands

Preclinical research for the development of representative disease models and treatment strategies for diffuse midline glioma. Funded by personal fellowship grant for clinician scientists from the Princess Máxima Center.

**RESIDENT IN PEDIATRICS** 2021 - PRESENT

Wilhelmina Children's Hospital &  
Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology  
Utrecht, The Netherlands

**RESIDENT IN PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY &  
POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW** 2024

Hospital Universitari i Politècnic La Fe/Instituto de  
Investigación Sanitaria La Fe, Valencia, Spain

**RESIDENT IN PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY** 2019-2020

Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology  
Utrecht, The Netherlands

**PHD STUDENT PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY** 2014-2019

Amsterdam University Medical Centers  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Preclinical therapy development for aggressive pediatric brain tumors. Awarded with the Tom Voûte Young Investigator Award (2018) and *cum laude* designation of doctoral thesis.



## HIGHLIGHTED GRANTS & PROJECTS

**FUNDACIÓN MARTIN** 2025-2027

Investigation of the tumor immune microenvironment in  
diffuse midline glioma

**Role: PI**

**QUEEN WILHELMINA FOUNDATION** 2023-2027

Towards immune-based therapies for diffuse midline glioma:  
exposing the immunomodulatory effects of ONC201.

**Role: co-PI**

**DUTCH CHILDREN CANCER FREE FOUNDATION** 2021-2025

Enabling preclinical immunotherapeutic studies for pediatric  
diffuse midline glioma

**Role: co-PI**