

CS&D Newsletter



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Nice to meet you!

Hereby we introduce to you the new CS&D student committee of the academic year 2014-2015! During this year we will be organizing several fun activities with both a scientific and a social character. Of course we hope that you will join us at these activities! Therefore this newsletter will be sent to you on a regular basis, informing you about all of our activities, and other interesting activities organized by other study associations. Additionally we will keep you posted via all other kinds of media which you can find in the contact details.

The first CS&D activity will be on Thursday the 30th of October. For more information: scroll to the CS&D News&Activities page after you studied the talks and pics of your StuCom members below.

Hope to see you all soon!

Your CS&D Student Committee

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CS&D Student Committee members 2014-2015

My name is Sophie Rappel and I am 23 years old. I live in Utrecht in the beautiful neighborhood Wittevrouwen. Currently I am in the second year of the CS&D master. Prior to the master, I studied Life Sciences at the Hogeschool Utrecht. I joined the StuCom in September 2013 and in July 2014 I became the chair of the committee. Last year I did my major internship in the van Oudenaarden group at the Hubrecht Institute. The aim of my project was distinguishing different liver cell types using single cell transcriptomics. I enjoyed my first internship a lot and I am really looking forward starting my second internship in Boston in February. Until then, I hope to see you all at our activities!



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Hi everyone! My name is Rutger (hard to pronounce for foreigners, so you can call me Rudy). I am 23 years old and I live for almost five years in the best neighborhood of Utrecht, namely Tolsteeg. I started my master CS&D in September 2013 and I am preparing for my minor internship abroad (Boston, USA). Before my master CS&D I studied Biomedical Sciences at Utrecht University. Three times per week I play soccer at Odysseus '91 at Olympos and to earn money I work as a sales promoter, when I have some time and no money left. My ambition in the StuCom is to continue organizing fantastic activities and make these activities as accessible as possible for everybody. As you can see, it worked last year (photo was taken last year's retreat).



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Hi everyone! My name is Susan and this is my second year in this master program. I am also a member of the StuCom for over a year, which is really nice. Last year's activities were really fun with the yearly retreat as highlight! At the moment I am responsible for the contact between committee and the students, so probably I will be the one behind the emails that you will receive from us. This year I am planning on doing my second research in Zürich, Switzerland, in a group that focusses on vertebrate development and uses mainly Zebrafish. So, by that time I need someone to replace me. But for this year I hope to see everyone on our upcoming activities!



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Hi everyone! My name is Anita and I am 22 years old. I am Dutch-Chinese, so Anita is my real name in case you were wondering and/or confused. Last year I finished my major internship at the NKI in Amsterdam at Bernards group. Currently I'm following courses and writing my master thesis. In February I will start with the business minor on top of my normal programme and after that I will do my second internship (hopefully abroad). This also means that I am able to stay longer with you and get to know you better at our StuCom events and the retreat!



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Hi everyone! My name is Ingrid, I'm 24 years old and I live in Zeist of all places. I'm in my second year of the CS&D master and just finished my first internship in the group of Madelon Maurice at the cell biology department of the UMCU where I studied Axin1 cancer missense mutations in the Wnt pathway. At the same time last year I also joined the StuCom because it is a lot of fun to get to know the other master students better and to organize great activities and a spectacular retreat together! I'm leaving to Heidelberg in February to start my second internship but hope to see you all before that at our upcoming activities!



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Hi everyone! My name is Lisette Waanders and I would like to introduce myself. I'm 21 years old and I'm in my second year of our master. I've just finished my major internship at the department of Cell Biology at the UMC and will start my second internship in February. As member of StuCom I hope to organize many fun activities before I leave. Hope to see you there!



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My name is Robin van der Weide, second-year CS&D-student and participant of U/SELECT '14. I've studied Biology in Utrecht, where I also focussed on computational biology and genome biology. With computational projects on the genome of lettuce (identification of pathogen-targets), rat (researching unmappable NGS-reads) and human (ribosomal DNA-counting and allele-specific expression in cancer), it easy to see I'm not a very picky person. I'll be doing my last internship at the Sanger Institute on the subject of causal non-coding genomic regions in familial melanoma. Hobbies include whiskey, music and photography. I joined the StuCom to help organise activities, such as seminars and the retreat, with the hope of bringing CS&D'ers together.



Robin van der Weide
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I am Elsa, 24 years old and I come from Greece. During my bachelor studies, I had the chance to visit Utrecht University as an exchange student. While performing my internship in the UMC, the great quality of research and the high level of studies were more than enough to convince me coming back to the Netherlands. After obtaining my Bachelor in Biology, I started my Master's in February 2014. Since then I have been doing my first internship in Hubrecht Institute. I am in Jacco van Rheenen's lab and I am studying the behavior of mammary tumor cells using 3D culture systems and live imaging microscopy. I have joined the student community this September, as I like the idea of arranging meetings where you can come in contact with fellow students and have fun together. Moreover, I really enjoyed the events and the retreat organized last year. So, don't miss the upcoming things we are planning! Hope to meet many of you in our next activities and chat about our in - and out of - the lab experiences.



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Hi! I'm Maaïke, I'm 21 years old and I was born in the Netherlands. For the last three years I have studied Biomedical Sciences at the Utrecht University, which I enjoyed so much that I decided to stay and also do my master at Utrecht University. I'm currently doing my first internship at the Lens lab at the UMCU about the translocation of the Chromosomal Passenger Complex at the metaphase to anaphase transition. Besides studying and working in the lab I like to spend my time running, baking, reading, babysitting and I spend as much time as possible hanging out with my friends ;) I joined the StuCom because I like to organize things, from movie nights with my friends to Christmas dinners with my family. Moreover, I hope to have a lot of fun during coming years and I think joining the StuCom is a great way to start!



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I'm Thom, 24 years old and 1st year master student of CS&D. I finished my bachelor Biomedical Sciences in 2013 and had a gap year. Currently I am doing my internship at the van Oudenaarden group in the Hubrecht Instituut. I really look forward to organize a lot of fun activities that are not only science related.



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Hi! My name is Merel van Gogh. I am 21 years old and finished my Bachelor Biomedical Sciences at the Utrecht University last summer. This September I started with my Master. Right now I am working on my major internship at the group of Paul Coffey in the UMCU. I am investigating the role of post-translational modifications in the regulation of Sox4 transcriptional activity. Besides my studies I like to dance, especially ballet and contemporary. I also like to travel and cook.



Merel van Gogh
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Hello everybody! I am Sanne Boersma and I just joined the StuCom. Last summer I finished the Bachelor Biomedical Sciences in Utrecht and a couple of weeks ago I had my first week as a Master student started. During the introductory week I learned about the StuCom, the seminars and the activities that are organized. I wanted to help arranging and I decided to join. I am looking forward to prepare some interesting meetings and to participate in awesome activities. Hopefully my enthusiasm and organizing skills are found to be useful!



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Hi there, I'm Eelco, ½ year CS&D student with a bachelor in Biomedical Science in Utrecht. At the moment I'm doing my major internship at the faculty of Veterinary medicine in the group of Bernard Roelen. We're working toward a differentiation protocol of porcine iPS cells to cardiomyocytes. With the StuCom I hope to get a bit more involved in the education of the master. Also, I hope to be able to use my previous committee experience for organizing the retreat. There is also a non-academic life where I have been traveling and try to get a little insight into photography.



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CS&D News & Activities

Stay in touch!

There are numerous ways to stay in touch within the CS&D master. Therefore the overview here. You can e-mail the StuCom via stucomcsd@gmail.com to subscribe for the StuCom activities but of course also if you have a question. We will also get our own tab at the CS&D master website www.csnd.nl/msc/the-masters-programme/. Furthermore there is also the Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/658827320829393/> which we also use to keep you updated about our activities, so make sure to join this group. And at last, new for all of you is the LinkedIn group made by our master programme coordinator Joost Koedam. This group is for all current students but also for CS&D (CGDB) alumni to stay in touch. You can subscribe to this group via <https://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=8190467>. Lots of ways to stay in touch, so don't be a stranger!

CS&D Seminar and drinks

Thursday 30th October

Already this Thursday we will have our next StuCom activity! We will start at 17 hrs at the Hubrecht Institute auditorium with an interesting seminar by Prof. Dr. Jacco van Rheenen about intravital imaging of cell migration and lineage tracing. After that we will have drinks and Chinese food together in the cafeteria. Make sure to subscribe for this evening by sending an e-mail to stucomcsd@gmail.com. And remember that we will only provide free food for the people who joined the seminar. See you there!

When: Thursday 30th October - 17 hrs

Where: Hubrecht Institute

Price: free with Chinese food & drinks for participants

Registration: send an e-mail to stucomcsd@gmail.com

CS&D Sinterklaas party

Wednesday 3rd December

On the third of December we will celebrate the Dutch traditional Sinterklaas party. In the spirit of the Saint Nicholas we will of course have pepernoten, speculaas and presents which can be won with the Sinterklaas game. More information will come to you by e-mail and posters but make sure you save the date!

When: Wednesday 3rd December

Where: Hubrecht Institute

Price: free

Registration: send an e-mail to stucomcsd@gmail.com

Other News & Activities

Johnson & Johnson carriere event "So you want my job"

Wednesday 12th November

Only in Dutch. Johnson & Johnson is erg geïnteresseerd om in contact te komen met studenten van universiteiten in Nederland. In het kader hiervan organiseert Johnson & Johnson op woensdag 12 november in Leiden het carriere event "So you want my job". Hiervoor worden 40 universitaire studenten uitgenodigd om kennis te maken met de Healthcare en Farmaceutische industrie. Tijdens dit event zullen Janssen Biologics, Mentor Medical Systems, en Crucell Holland zich presenteren. Doelgroep is WO studenten die op zoek zijn naar een stageplaats of een startersfunctie en geïnteresseerd zijn in het bedrijfsleven. Let op, er is maar ruimte voor 40 deelnemers.

When: Wednesday 12th November - 9.15 till 16.00 hrs

Where: Janssen Biologics, Einsteinweg 101 Leiden

Registration: send an e-mail to stages@its.jnj.com onder vermelding van: So you want my job, je studierichting en je studiejaar

CGC meeting "Cellular signalling and cancer therapeutics"

13 and 14 November

This is the famous yearly CGC meeting held at the Koninklijk Instituut voor de Tropen in Amsterdam. During the two days meeting different interesting speakers, both national and international, will give an update on their work. The meeting will end on Friday afternoon with the keynote speaker the renowned Bob Weinberg from the Whitehead Institute in Cambridge.

When: Thursday 13 and Friday 14th November

Where: Koninklijk Instituut voor de Tropen, Mauritskade 63 Amsterdam

Price: registration is required, attendance is free of charge

Registration: go to the webpage www.cancergenomics.nl



UBV mushroom tour

Saturday 8th November

Autumn is back! And so are the mushrooms. At Saturday the 8th of November UBV will be searching for mushrooms at landgoed Sandwijck in De Bilt. Meeting time is at 11 hrs at the parking lot. This is accessible from Utrecht Central Station by bus which only takes 17 minutes. For more information go to the webpage www.ubv.info

When: Saturday 8th November - 11 till 12.30 hrs

Where: Landgoed Sandwijck, Utrechtseweg 305 de Bilt

Price: 1 euro

Registration: subscribe in the UBV room

Mebiose Gloek party

Thursday 13th November

On Thursday the 13th of November the Mebiose party committee Gloek will throw its first party of this year! Come and party the stress away in the Ksjot. The theme will be revealed later. For more information go to the webpage www.mebiose.nl

When: Thursday 13th November - 22 till 04 hrs

Where: 't Ksjot

Price: €2,50 for members; €3,50 for not-members