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EDUCATION

PhD, Tumor Immunology,
University of Groningen,
Netherlands
2011 – 2016

**MSc, Human Pathobiology &
Toxicology,**
Radboud University Nijmegen,
Netherlands
2009 – 2011

BSc, Biomedical Sciences,
Radboud University Nijmegen,
Netherlands
2005 - 2009

SKILLS

Project Management

Communication

Science Writing

Research

Problem-Solving

Collaboration

Detail-oriented

BIO

Medical and science writer with eight years of research experience in cancer immunotherapy. Highly skilled in writing grant applications, manuscripts, protocols, reviews, and reports. Currently specializing in regulatory clinical trial documentation as a contractor working for biotech companies.

WORK EXPERIENCE

wouterswriting.com | Victoria, BC | July 2019- Present

Freelance medical writer

- Medical and science writer for various clients.
- Preparation of regulatory documentation for clinical trial.
- Writing and editing science manuscripts and textbooks.

BC Cancer | Victoria, BC | Mar 2016 – Present

Postdoctoral Fellow

- Secured research funding incl. two fellowship awards: MSFHR/BioCanRx (\$126,000) & CIHR (\$135,000), obtained 7 travel awards for attending conferences and workshops.
- Co-wrote a successful CFI grant (\$9.2 million), a CCS grant (\$450,000) and a CIHR foundation grant (under review).
- Mentored, trained, and supervised 7 undergraduate students in Honours projects and co-op work terms. Under my supervision 3 students won studentship awards (\$6000) and a presentation award.
- Managed multiple projects, including three projects involving international collaborations, requiring multitasking and excellent communication skills.
- Published a textbook chapter, manuscripts, and a meeting report.
- Managed ovarian cancer biobank project: trained employees, managed the clinical database, wrote and edited SOPs, and released samples to researchers after peer-review of their proposals.
- Presented work at eleven national and international meetings, received a short talk award.

Canadian Association of Postdoctoral Scholars | Jul 2017 – Dec 2018

Vice Chair Data Management on Executive Board

- Developed leadership skills by actively participating in the decision making on policy advocacy for the rights of postdocs in Canada.
- Performed survey data analysis and wrote reports to various stakeholders.

AWARDS

Postdoctoral fellowship award

CIHR (\$135,000), 2018

Postdoctoral fellowship award

MSFHR/BioCanRx (\$126,000),
2016

Short talk award

CCIC, 2018

Poster presentation award

CCIC, 2015

Travel awards (7)

BioCanRx,
iTNT & CCS,
2016-2018

Short project grant

JC de Cock foundation
(€4,000), 2013

Scholarships for MSc projects

Dutch Cancer Society &
European Union
2010 & 2011

Publications

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Interests

Writing

Photography

Travel

Reading

Cooking

BioCanRx Trainee Working group | Jan 2018 – Nov 2019

- Organizer and planner of trainee career day at the Summit for Cancer Immunotherapy conferences (2018 & 2019).
- Reviewer of abstracts, judge for presentation awards, writer of information booklet and newsletter article.

University Medical Center Groningen | Groningen, Netherlands | Nov 2011 – Nov 2015

PhD researcher

- Developed outstanding time management skills to handle various projects, supervise students, present at meetings, and finish a dissertation on time.
- Supervised and trained three MD students in their research projects.
- External collaborations resulted in two publications.
- Teamwork within the department as well as organizing the patient material processing resulted in multiple co-authorship publications.
- Presented research data at 6 national and international meetings, received a poster presentation award.
- Developed methods for primary tumor and immune cell cultures, immune assays, IHC, IF.
- Database work using SPSS, curating patient data into analyzable datasets for IHC studies.

SCIENCE OUTREACH

The Biogirls | Victoria, BC | May 2019 – Present

- Writer and editor of blogs as a founding member of the website.

Study.com | June 2019 – Present

- Answer questions and publish within courses on various scientific topics.

Curiosity | Jan 2019 – Present

- Research, review, and edit articles on Curiosity website (by Let's Talk Science) for middle and high school students.

Letters to a Pre-scientist | Sep 2016 – Aug 2019

- Scientist penpal to a middle school student, enthusing them for careers in STEM.