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About the author

Jonathan Coutinho was born on September 26th 1978 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. He grew up in Nigtevecht, a small village just outside of Amsterdam and graduated from high school in 1996 (Gemeentelijk Gymnasium Hilversum). The same year he started his studies in Biomedical Sciences at the University of Amsterdam. In 1998 he did his first scientific internship on interleukin-8 expression of neutrophil granulocytes for a period of 6 months at Sanquin research institute in Amsterdam (supervisor prof. dr. L.A. Aarden). After this internship he worked as an assistant-teacher to instruct basic immunology to first and second year students. In 1999 he started his Medical studies, also at the University of Amsterdam, and from then on combined both studies. In 2001 he did an extracurricular internship at the department of vascular medicine of the AMC on various aspects of HDL-cholesterol metabolism. During this time he was supervised by prof. dr. E.S. Stroes and prof. dr. J.J. Kastelein. In 2003 he was given the opportunity to attend the Centre for Molecular Medicine and Therapeutics (CMMT, University of British Columbia), Vancouver, Canada. Supervised by dr. R.R. Singaraja and prof. dr. M.R. Hayden, he did a research elective on the role of the cholesterol transporter ABCA1 in HDL metabolism, for a period of 18 months. Upon his return he obtained his Master's degree in Biomedical Sciences (2005) and his Medical degree (2007), both with honors. In 2007 he started his residencies in Neurology at the Academic Medical Centre (prof. dr. J. Stam, prof. dr. M. Vermeulen and prof. dr. I.N. van Schaik). In 2007 he was awarded a Toptalent scholarship from the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), which enabled him to start his work as a PhD candidate on cerebral venous thrombosis. Together with his promotor (prof. dr. J. Stam), he received grants in the following years from the Dutch Heart Foundation (Hartstichting), the Dutch Thrombosis Foundation (Trombosestichting) and the Netherlands Brain Foundation (Hersenstichting) to fund various research projects on cerebral venous thrombosis. In 2011 he was nominated by The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) to attend the Lindau Nobel laureate meeting, an annual international conference where young researchers meet Nobel Prize winners. He will complete his Neurology residency in 2014. Jonathan lives together with Maaike Rouwenhorst and their 2 children: Lily and Thomas. In the summer of 2014 they will move to Canada where both Jonathan and Maaike will perform a fellowship at the University of Toronto for a period of 1 or 2 years.