

In 2001 I obtained my medical degree (cum laude). Here after I started my residency in Neurology at the Department of Neurology at the Erasmus MC University Medical Centre in Rotterdam (head: prof. dr. P.J. Koudstaal, later prof. dr. P.A.E. Sillevs Smitt). From 2003 I combined my residency with research on pregnancy and MS and demyelinating diseases in childhood with prof. dr. R.Q. Hintzen, prof. dr. J.D. Laman and dr C.E. Catsman-Berrevoets, which resulted in my PhD degree in 2012. Since 2010 I have been working as a neurologist at the department of Neurology at the Erasmus MC University Medical Centre Rotterdam (head: prof. dr. P.A.E. Sillevs Smitt), attending a clinical fellowship in pediatric neurology with prof. dr. W.F.M. Arts. Since 2011 I have been working as a pediatric neurologist in the Erasmus MC Sophia children's hospital, with special interest in neuro-inflammatory diseases and refractory epilepsy in childhood. Currently, I am the director of the national pediatric MS center and pediatric neuro-immunology clinic (NFU certified) and head of the department of pediatric neurology.