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Mariëlle Kloosterman is a MD-PhD student who started doing research at the Atrial Fibrillation Research group of Prof. van Gelder and dr. Rienstra during the second year of her Bachelor. She completed the University of Groningen Honours program and received her Bachelor of Science in Medicine in 2014. In 2016 she officially started a MD-PhD program at the Department of Cardiology, allowing her to combine the Master phase with a PhD training to obtain a MD and PhD degree upon completion.

Her clinical-oriented research focuses on the association between atrial fibrillation and heart failure, the two most common cardiac disorders afflicting our society today, applying novel bioinformatics tools to improve our understanding of their complex interactions. Her research also consists of epidemiological studies of atrial fibrillation, its risk factors, and sex differences, part of which is in collaboration with Dr. Jeff S. Healey, Population Health Research Institute, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

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