

Brief Biography - Dr. Miranda van Eck Associate Professor Division of Biopharmaceutics Leiden/Amsterdam Center for Drug Research

Dr. Van Eck studied Biopharmaceutical Sciences, specializing Biopharmaceutics at the University of Leiden in The Netherlands. After her graduation in 1994 she obtained her PhD from Leiden University in 1999 on the use of the bone marrow transplantation technique as a novel strategy to study the role of macrophage genes in lipoprotein metabolism and atherogenesis. In 2001, Dr. Van Eck was appointed as Research Fellow of the Netherlands Heart Foundation. In 2005, she received a prestigious VIDI Innovational Research Grant and an ASPASIA premium of the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific became appointed as Assistant Professor and Leiden/Amsterdam Center for Drug Research. In 2007, Dr. Van Eck was appointed Established Investigator of the Netherlands Heart Foundation and became Associate Professor. Her current research is focussed upon the role of genes involved in HDL metabolism and reverse cholesterol transport from the arterial wall to the liver with special focus on the role of ABC-transporters and scavenger receptor BI in this process. Dr. Van Eck supervised the successful completion of 4 PhD theses, has 69 peer-reviewed original publications in international scientific journals and has a Hirsch index of 22. She received numerous awards for her work, including twice a Pfizer International HDL Research Award and a Peter Dolphin Award for her original and outstanding contribution to the HDL Research Awards Program and the Galenus Prize for pharmacology and fundamental research which recognizes pharmaceutical research in the Netherlands.