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About the Author

Herman Veenhof was born on the 19th of February 1989 in the city of Apeldoorn, The Netherlands. He lived in Istanbul, Turkey for the first 2 years of his life. At the age of 2, he moved to Zuidlaren, The Netherlands. He spend another 3 years abroad in Miri, Malaysia, at the age of 7-10. Afterwards, he moved back to The Netherlands, to the village of Ede, to finish primary school. He graduated from high school (VWO, Guido de Brès, Amersfoort) in 2007. In that same year he moved to Groningen to start with the Bachelor of Pharmacy at the University of Groningen (RUG), which he completed in 2012. In 2015, he completed his Master's degree in Pharmacy (PharmD) at the RUG. In 2015 he started working at the University Medical Center Groningen (UMCG) at the Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacology as a project pharmacist, under supervision of Daan Touw and Stephan Bakker. The goal of the project was to implement Dried Blood Spot sampling for adult kidney transplant patients. After a few months, this project was combined with a job as a clinical pharmacist in the same department of the UMCG under supervision of Prashant Nannan-Panday. During the implementation process, various research projects were initiated, leading to the start of a PhD project with this thesis as a result. Herman continued to work both as a PhD student and a clinical pharmacist until the end of the PhD project in December 2019. In January 2020, Herman started his training to become a hospital pharmacist at the UMCG.

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