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# Curriculum Vitae

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## **Curriculum Vitae**

Kim van Gaalen was born in 's Gravenhage on the 17th of June 1980 and grew up in Zwartsluis. She completed her secondary school (VWO) at the Christelijke Scholengemeenschap Dingstede in Meppel in 2000. In september of that year, she started studying biology at the University of Groningen with a major in behavioral and neural science. During her study, she completed a master thesis on the role of the MCH-1 receptor in obesitas and on the effects of prenatal stress in sows on the piglets. In 2005, she obtained her Master's degree in biology. From July 2005 until June 2009, she worked as a PhD student at the department of ophthalmology of the University Medical Center Groningen under the supervision of Aart Kooijman, Steven Koopmans, Nomdo Jansonius and Thom Terwee which resulted in this thesis. In July 2009, she started working in Meppel as a research nutritionist on growing pig nutrition.