



## Invitation symposium Thursday 27th November

**The right ventricle  
The Achilles heel in congenital heart disease?**

### **Dear friends and colleagues,**

On Thursday, November 27, 2025, Renée Joosen will defend her PhD thesis at the Academy Building in Utrecht, marking the completion of her PhD trajectory. The title of the dissertation is: "The right ventricle: the Achilles heel in congenital heart disease?"

To mark this special occasion, we are pleased to invite you to a scientific symposium preceding the PhD defense, focusing on the role of the right ventricle in congenital heart disease. The program is designed for pediatric cardiologists, members of the adult congenital cardiology working group, and researchers with an interest in this field.

We hope to welcome you there!

With kind regards,

Hans Breur, Michiel Voskuil, Gregor Krings and Mariëlle van de Veerdonk

## Program

12.00 - 12.10 Welcome

*Hans Breur, Michiel Voskuil,  
Gregor Krings and Mariëlle van de Veerdonk*

### **RV in focus: development to dysfunction**

12.10 - 12.30 Understanding RV development and structure

*Monique Jongbloed*

12.30 - 12.50 Inside the right ventricle: exploring RV physiology

*Titus Kuehne*

12.50 - 13.10 The tipping point: adaptive vs. maladaptive remodeling of the RV

*Beatrijs Bartelds*

13.10 - 13.30 Lessons from pulmonary hypertension: implications for congenital heart disease

*Marco Post*

13.30 - 14.00 Lunch

### **Managing the failing right ventricle: current and emerging treatments**

14.00 - 14.20 Right-sided cardiac interventions across the lifespan

*Gregor Krings and Michael Dickinson*

14.20 - 14.40 A donor heart valve that grows with you

*Marijn Peters and Bram van Wijk*

14.40 - 15.00 Pharmacologic options for the failing RV?

*Anastasia Egorova*

15.00 Ending and walk to Academieggebouw

*Hans Breur, Michiel Voskuil, Gregor Krings,  
Mariëlle van de Veerdonk*

## Target audiences

- Pediatric cardiologists
- Pediatric cardiac surgeons
- Thoracic surgeons
- Cardiologists
- Cardiovascular Scientists

## Accreditation has been requested from:

- Dutch Society of Pediatrics (NVK)
- Dutch Society of Thoracic Surgeons (NVT)
- Dutch Society of Cardiology (NVVC)

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### Organisation

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Hope to see you on November 27 in Utrecht!

#### Comments

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