Dr. KIRSTIN DE BRUIJN, Netherlands

Kirstin De Bruijn was born in Rotterdam, the Netherlands and studied Medicine at the ErasmusMC University Medical Center, in Rotterdam from 2004 to 2011. Since July 2012 she has been working as a PhD-candidate at the Surgery department of the ErasmusMC University Medical Center under the supervision of professor Casper van Eijck, a renowned pancreatic surgeon. Her thesis focusses on diabetes and the incidence and prognosis of surgical malignancies (breast, colorectal and esophageal cancer). In a systematic review she assessed incidence and mortality of breast and colorectal cancer and in a large cohort from a suburb of Rotterdam she studied detection bias and diabetes duration and the risk of different types of cancer. She also investigated new-onset diabetes after pancreatic surgery. From January 1st, 2015 Kirstin has started her surgical training at the ErasmusMC University Medical Center. On the 24th of June, 2015, she will defend her thesis 'Diabetes and the incidence and prognosis of surgical malignancies'.