

## Radboud university medical center clinicians and researchers involved in new EuroBloodNet

At the third conference on European Reference Networks in March 2017 in Vilnius, Lithuania, EuroBloodNet was officially installed as one of the recently approved Networks. EuroBloodNet aims to improve care for patients with rare blood disorders. It involves 66 health care centers in 15 member states, and is part of the European health care innovation program for rare diseases.

The European Reference Network for rare and complex haematological diseases and conditions (EuroBloodNet) consists of 6 subthemes. Radboud university medical center is an important partner in EuroBloodNet as it participates in 4 of the 6 subthemes: bone marrow failure, rare coagulation disorders, myeloid malignancies and **haemochromatosis and other rare genetic disorders of iron synthesis**.



EuroBloodNet will seek to improve access to healthcare for patients with rare haematological diseases, to promote guidelines and best practices, to improve training and knowledge sharing, to offer clinical advice where national expertise is scarce and to increase the number of clinical trials in the field. Patient involvement is key.

The network coordinator is professor Pierre Fenaux from the Hopital Saint Louis in Paris. **Professor Dorine Swinkels of Radboud university medical center is the European coordinator of the subtheme “Haemochromatosis and rare genetic disorders of iron synthesis”.**

The Radboud university medical center clinicians and researchers involved in this network are:

- **Bone marrow failure:** Saskia Langemeijer, Walter van der Velden, Joop Jansen, Theo de Witte, Nicole Blijlevens
- **Rare coagulation disorders:** Marten Nijziel, Saskia Schols, Britta Laros-van Gorkom, Paul Brons, Maroeska te Loo, Waander van Heerde
- **Myeloid malignancies:** Walter van der Velden, Joop Jansen, Saskia Langemeijer, Michel Schaap, Theo de Witte, Nicole Blijlevens
- **Haemochromatosis and other rare genetic disorders of iron synthesis;** Dorine Swinkels (European coordinator), Alexander Rennings, Miriam Janssen, Paul Brons, Saskia Schols, Britta Laros-van Gorkom, Marten Nijziel, Giel Bosman, Rachel van Swelm, Sonja de Munnik, Bert van de Heuvel



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