Grants and Prizes

A call was announced late 2013 to promote research collaboration between the two university hospitals in Amsterdam; the VUmc and the AMC. Several proposals were submitted and within the MOVEMENT theme the jury, consisting of members from the VUmc and the AMC research councils, judged the proposal The role of bone adipocytes in the regulation of bone mass by Bisschop, Bravenboer, den Heyer, Maas, Fliers, Hollak, Veldhuis-Vlug, Heijboer, de Jongh, Lips, Akkerman and Everts as the winner. We congratulate!

1st MOVE-AGE PhD defense

The first PhD defense within the MOVE-AGE project will take place on June 20th (for the exact time and venue see the diary on the right). Diana Sanchez Ramirez will be the first of approximately 50 PhD defenses within the EU financed Erasmus Mundus project. Diana will defend her thesis Activity limitations in Osteoarthritis of the Knee: Influence of Inflammatory, Neuromuscular, Biomechanical and Behavioral Factors. Her (co-)promotors are Prof.dr. W.F. Lems, Prof.dr. S. Verschueren, Prof.dr. J. Dekkers and Dr. M. van der Leeden.

And while Diana has been busy with her PhD, she’s also found the time to have a baby. We congratulate Diana and her partner on the birth of David and wish mother and son all the best!

Annual MOVE-AGE meeting

The annual MOVE-AGE meeting will this year take place in Amsterdam from 18-20 June. At this gathering all current PhD students from both Amsterdam as well the partner institutions at the MMU and KU Leuven, get together to present their findings and progress within their research projects. More information and the program to follow.

Crowd funding for Virtual Reality Gaitlab VUmc

Do you enjoy running? Then register for the 6th
the Zuidasrun to be held on May 25th 2014. You may register for either 4 or 10 English Miles (6.4 or 16.1 km), and to get the kids in shape you can enroll them in the kids run.

While running you can raise money for the VUmc partner research project Virtual Reality Gaitlab at the department of rehabilitation medicine (see goede-doelen). You can sign on either as an individual runner or get your friends and colleagues away from behind their computers and enroll as a team. Get your running shoes on and help raise money for the virtual reality gaitlab!

Deadline for registration is May 14 2014.

VU/VUmc Grants Database

Last year the VU/VUmc introduced the Research Professional database, with up to date information on various grant possibilities, varying from national to EU and global funding possibilities. You can access the database from any computer within the VU/VUmc. Start by creating your own account and to access the database from outside the campus and manage your searches effectively. The information in the database is pre-screened for the VU/VUmc and easy to use. Visit https://www.researchprofessional.com/ now to help you get a customized overview of the (inter-)national grants available. If you need extra assistance, there is an extensive help section, a quick start guide and several video clips to guide you through.

Niels Stensen Fellowship for young talented researchers

The Niels Stensen Fellowship is available for PhD students who recently received their PhD and/or current PhD students who will receive their degree in the coming year. The grant is aimed to stimulate the personal scientific development of young exceptional researchers. The deadline is May 1st 2014.

Venture Cafe

You are invited to join the Venture Cafe on April 24th at the UvA Science Park 105. The doors open at 5 pm. It is a good place for expanding your network, and if you should want to pitch your project get in touch with the

June 10, 2014
PhD Defense Ceremony
Koen Levels, HMS
Pacing strategies during exercise in the heat
Aula, VU University Amsterdam
11.45 am

June 18 - 20, 2014
Annual MOVE-AGE meeting
18/6: start 1 pm, room FG1, MF Building
19/6: start 9.30 am, room A-311 MF Building
20/6: start 9 am, room A-311, MF Building

June 20, 2014
PhD Defense Ceremony
Diana Sanchez Ramirez, VUmc
Activity limitations in Osteoarthritis of the Knee: Influence of Inflammatory, Neuromuscular, Biomechanical and Behavioral Factors
Aula, VU University Amsterdam
1.45 pm

June 27, 2014
PhD Defense Ceremony
Tjaco Alta, HMS
Reverse shoulder arthroplasty, does it work?
Kinematical analyses, clinical evaluation and new developments
Aula, VU University Amsterdam
1.45 pm

July 1, 2014
PhD Defense Ceremony
Vonne van Polanen, HMS
Findings in haptic (re)search
Aula, VU University Amsterdam
3.45 pm

July 2 - 5, 2014
19th Annual Congress of the European College of Sport Science (ECSS Amsterdam
organizers on e-mail,
To sign up, click here. If you are a first time visitor, please register here.

**New Members**

![Katinka van der Kooij](image1.png)  
Katinka van der Kooij PhD and Krista Overvliet PhD have both joined the HMS on Professor Jeroen Smeet's STW financed project *Fake it till you make it.*

![Sarah Zandvliet](image2.png)  
Sarah Zandvliet has joined the department of Rehabilitation at the VUmc as a PhD on the project *Neuroplasticity and motor recovery after stroke.* The project is financed by the Hersenstichting. The (Co-)promoters on the project are Prof. G. Kwakkel PhD, E. van Wegen PhD and C. Meskers PhD.

**News?**

Do you have any news that deserves the spotlight? Be it about a research project, grant, prize or anything else you'd like to share - mail it to moveoffice.fbw@vu.nl and we'll help you spread the word.

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**July 3, 2014**
PhD Defense Ceremony  
Virjanand Panday, HMS  
*Interaction between length and curvature in haptic shape perception*  
Aula, VU University Amsterdam  
3.45 pm

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