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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Rohit Mansingh Oemrawsingh was born in The Hague, The Netherlands, on the 23rd of May 1980. After graduating high school from the Christelijk Gymnasium Sorghvliet, he studied medicine at the University of Leiden and obtained his MD degree in 2007. During this period he also served as founding chairman and secretary of *Global Human Rights Defence*, a nowadays professional human rights organisation. The final stages of his medicine training (senior internship) were conducted at the Thoraxcenter of the Erasmus University Medical Center in Rotterdam, where he subsequently was appointed to a preset programme in which a PhD fellowship and a clinical residency and fellowship in cardiology were intertwined during a 9,5 year time course.

His first three years of research under the supervision of Prof. Eric Boersma and Dr. Martijn Akkerhuis primarily focused on the inception of the BIOMArCS study as described in this thesis. The biomarker study platform, as developed from scratch during that time, was subsequently successfully replicated for the use of several other studies, such as the ATHEROREMO and IBIS-3 studies, that focused on the relationship between biomarkers and intracoronary imaging modalities, as also described in this thesis.

His internal medicine residency was performed at the Sint Franciscus Gasthuis (programme director Dr. Arie P. Rietveld). After another dedicated year of research at the Clinical Epidemiology Unit of the Thoraxcenter, he completed his cardiology training in Breda (Amphia Hospital, programme director Dr. Marco A. Alings) and Rotterdam (Erasmus MC, programme directors Dr. Folkert ten Cate, Prof. Jaap W. Deckers and Dr. Tjebbe W. Galema). During this period he frequently presented his research results at international venues. In addition, he was awarded a Young Investigator Award in Coronary Pathophysiology and Microcirculation during the European Society of Cardiology Congress 2013 and won a second prize during the 2e WCN Onderzoeksprijs event organized by the Werkgroep Cardiologische Centra Nederland.

Subsequently, his interventional cardiology fellowship was conducted under the supervision of the team of interventional cardiology consultants led by Dr. Peter den Heijer at the Amphia Hospital in Breda.

As of September 2018, Rohit serves as an interventional cardiologist at the Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Dordrecht with an unremitting research interest in coronary pathophysiology and interventional cardiology.