

## Curriculum vitae

Marijn van Jaarsveld (1983) grew up in IJsselstein where she attended primary school. She obtained her VWO diploma (Atheneum - profiles 'Natuur & Gezondheid' and 'Natuur & Techniek') at the Oosterlicht College, Nieuwegein (grade average 7.9). Afterwards, she studied Biology at Utrecht University, where she obtained her Propedeuse (cum laude), Bachelor degree (Biological Sciences; grade average 8.3) and Master degree (Developmental Biology and Biomedical Genetics; grade average 8.1). After completing her Master program, Marijn worked in the Department of Pathology at the Antonius Ziekenhuis Nieuwegein before starting a research project to identify genetic modifiers of a *Drosophila* model for repeat expansion disorders at the University of Pennsylvania. In April 2008 Marijn started her PhD research on the role of microRNAs in the DNA damage response, and its relevance for cancer and cancer therapy. The results of this PhD project are published in this thesis. During her PhD research, Marijn was active as board member in PhD student representative bodies at the Erasmus University Medical Center, Erasmus University where she organized a.o. the PhD student of the year election and the PhD Introduction and Career Day 2010 at the Erasmus University. Furthermore, Marijn was a representative of the Erasmus University at the National PhD students Network. In 2012 Marijn was elected as a member of the Associate Member Council of the American Association for Cancer Research.