

Dear NKRV members,

In this newsletter we will inform you about the upcoming NKRV activities and other topics that might be of interest. If you have items to be listed in the next newsletter or on our website, please contact us via info@nkrv.nl. Your input and ideas will be appreciated.

The coming NKRV Workshop Summer 2024

Save the date! The upcoming NKRV workshop will be held on **Friday June 21st 2024 at the TU Delft**. Registration for the workshop will open in the second half of April and the programme will be sent to you as soon as possible. Check our website for more information.



We are looking forward and hope to see you all in Delft!

Looking back at the 33rd NKRV Workshop on February 9th 2024 at the Nuclear Research Group in Petten. For the third time we had our NKRV meeting in Petten, which was hosted by NRG. After the security check, the workshop took place in the auditorium. Approximately 130 participants registered for the workshop, from all corners of the Netherlands and Belgium and from different disciplines, like chemistry, biology, pharmacy.



NKRV board in 2018



NKRV board in 2024



All NKRV participants in the dunes of Petten

After the welcome and introduction by Sandra Heskamp, our chair of the NKRV board, we started the workshop with the educational session on carbon-11 radiochemistry by Bienneke Jansen from the RadboudUMC. This was followed by a plenary lecture given by the host dr. Karlijn van de Schilden on radionuclide production and the new FieldLab facilities. After a nice lunch there were round table discussions on GMP Annex-1 and Alpha Radiochemistry. For those who registered early, there was also the possibility for a guided tour to the high flux reactor, the hot cells, or the FieldLab. In the afternoon there were 5 excellent PhD research presentations on very diverse topics demonstrating the multidisciplinary of our society. The meeting was closed with drinks and bites.

We want to thank all participants for their contributions and the NRG team for being so kind to host us. We are happy to see so many enthusiastic young researchers in our field of radiochemistry.

News about Clinical Radiochemist

Erik de Blois, Danielle Vugts, Alex Poot and Gert Luurtsema re-initiated the recognition of Clinical Radiochemists. This is supported by Philip Elsinga and Bert Windhorst, as former NKRV board members and founders of the Clinical Radiochemist initiative.



A letter aimed to recognize the profession “Clinical Radiochemist” has been sent to other professional groups like the NVNG (nuclear physician) and the NVZA (hospital pharmacist) and will be discussed soon with these professionals groups.

In the meantime the NKRV board installed a work-group to define the competences of a clinical radiochemist, what is required to obtain this certificate, and what is required to keep and renew this.

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New NKRV board member

In June 2024, Ines Antunes will become board member of the NKRV. We look forward to her contribution to our society. Ines will replace Gert Luurtsema, who had to finish his time as NKRV board member. His contribution to our society is highly appreciated and we would like to thank him very much for all the work he did for the NKRV.



Travel grants



In 2024 there is budget for 10 travel grants in total. Per travel grant the amount is set at maximum 500 euro pp. It will allow for the reimbursement of registration costs for symposia and conference related travel expenses. The requirements are: you are a member of NKRV (attended at least one workshop in the past year); you are a technician, PhD student or Postdoc working in our field; and you received no other (travel)grants. You can apply for an NKRV travel grant once every three years.

- If you want to apply for a travel grant send an email to info@nkrv.nl to request the form for the travel grant. Hereafter send this form back together with:
- Proof of submission and acceptance of abstract (poster or oral)
- Letter of supervisor stating that you are a PhD student or technician in the research group of the supervisor
- Proof of payment (will be sent in afterwards)

Meetings and workshops in 2024

There are a lot of opportunities to participate in interesting symposia, these include:

- 18-21 April, ESRR in Coimbra, Portugal
- 8-11 June, SNMMI in Toronto, Canada
- 17-20 July, CAFACHEM (SRS summer school) in Ann Arbor / Michigan, USA
- 19- 23 October: EANM, Hamburg, Germany
- 9-13 September, WMIC, Montreal, Canada

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Open positions

Are you looking for a new colleague? We can post your vacancy on our website. For more information, please contact info@nkrv.nl. Are you looking for a new position yourself, please have a look [here](#).

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