

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.

NKRV Workshop June 2023 – Save the date!

The upcoming NKRV workshop will be **30th of June 2023 at RadboudUMC Nijmegen**. We are currently preparing the programme, which will be sent to you as soon as possible.

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



NKRV teaching activities

Education for young scientist in our field has been an item on the NKRV action list for a long time. To finally initiate this, Mark Rijkema (Radboud UMC) and the NKRV board prepared a short online survey to find out what YOU want. During the NKRV meeting last January you might have filled in the survey already, if you did not do this yet, please use the link below to do this. Based on your input we will proceed with the next steps to set up educational activities.

To fill in the survey, [click here!](#)

Look back to the NKRV Workshop on 20th of January in Amsterdam



In January, the NKRV meeting was held in Amsterdam, AUMC-location VUmc in the NU building. Approximately 120 participants attended the meeting, from all corners from the Netherlands and Belgium, and from different disciplines, like chemistry, biology, pharmacy.

After the introduction by Danielle Vugts, our host and chair of the NKRV board, there was an educational session on the practical aspects of radionuclide production. A unique session with the three key players in this field; Marion Chomet (NRG), Renske Raaphorst (BV cyclotron Amsterdam) and Ho Sze Chan (Alfarim). This was followed by round table discussions about SE-HPLC of labeled mAbs, synthesis modules and animal models.



After a nice lunch we had a plenary lecture by Prof. Dr. Klaus Kopka with entitled “Are applied radiopharmaceutical sciences able to consolidate NextGen radionuclide theranostics?”

In the afternoon there were five excellent PhD presentations. The meeting was closed with drinks and bites organized by the VUmc group. We want to thank all participants for their contributions and we were very happy to see so much enthusiastic young researchers in our field.



Summerschool – Basic dosimetry and radiobiology for radionuclide therapy

ErasmusMC and Radboudumc have joined forces to organize a summer school for PhD students, clinicians and other researchers interested in radionuclide therapy, dosimetry, and radiobiology. During this course you will learn the basics on how to perform dosimetry, both in local and systemic therapies, in preclinical research, patient studies, and daily clinical practice. Lectures will be combined with practical assignments and guided tours. Do you want to know more, visit the [website!](#)

Update on Clinical Radiochemist

Certification to become a clinical radiochemist is discontinued with DNV. Philip Elsinga and Bert Windhorst discussed “what next” with other professors at the hoogleraren convent. A letter written by Philip Elsinga and Erik de Blois was sent to NVNG (Dutch society of Nuclear Medicine) and NVZA (mutual meeting few times per year). The next step: discussion with pharmacists and nuclear medicine physicians to agree what are the responsibilities of the pharmacist and clinical radiochemist.

News from the NKRV board

We are very proud to announce that our chair Danielle Vugts is selected as President-Elect for the ISRS for 2023-2025, and from 2026 she will be ISRS president. Within the NKRV board, she will step back as chair and become a regular board member. Sandra Heskamp will be the new chair of the NKRV board and Alex de Poot will take over the secretary position.

Input for the “Kennisagenda NVNG”

The Dutch Society of Nuclear Medicine (NVNG) is in the process of putting together a knowledge agenda, the Kennisagenda NVNG. The aim of the Kennisagenda NVNG is to identify the current knowledge gaps within (clinical) nuclear medicine research. Identified knowledge gaps can consequently be addressed through science projects and further advance our field. To compile the Kennisagenda NVNG your input is desired and required. The workgroup putting this together wants know and identify which knowledge gaps you are facing within nuclear medicine research. If you are a member of the NVNG, please follow this [link](#) to let us know your knowledge.

Travel grants



This year we have a budget of 5,500 euro for travel grants. The reimbursement of registration costs for symposia is set at a maximum 500 euro per person. The requirements are: you are a member of NKRV (attended at least one workshop in the past year), you are a Technician or a PhD student working in the radiochemistry field, you received no other grants, and your abstract has been accepted for an oral or poster presentation. To apply, go to our [website](#).

Meetings and workshops in 2023

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

- 7th-12th May: International Conference on Radioanalytical and Nuclear Chemistry, Budapest, Hungary ([more info](#))
- 22nd – 26th May: International Symposium on Radiopharmaceutical Chemistry (**iSRS**), Honolulu, Hawaii ([more info](#))
- 24th – 27th June: Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Annual Meeting (**SNMMI**), Chicago, USA ([more info](#))
- 3 – 7th July: Radboud/Erasmus Summer School: Basic dosimetry and radiobiology for radionuclide therapy, Nijmegen, The Netherlands ([more info](#))
- 5th – 9th September: World Molecular Imaging Conference (**WMIC**), Prague, Czech Republic
- 9th – 13th September: European Nuclear Medicine Meeting Annual Meeting (**EANM**), Vienna, Austria ([more info](#))

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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