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Education

- PhD in Chemistry, KU Leuven, 2019
- MSc in Biochemistry and Biotechnology, KU Leuven, 2014 (magna cum laude)
- Erasmus in Chalmers University of Technology (Göteborg, Sweden)
- Master thesis in imec (Leuven), “Gold nanostars for specific targeting of cancer cells: solving the protein corona problem”, 2014
- BSc in Biochemistry and Biotechnology, KU Leuven, 2012 (cum laude)

Publications

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