# Academic Core Portfolio 2015-2017

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| Student name |  | | Student Number |  |
| Programme\* | Oncology / Cardiovascular Research | | | |
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**Academic Core Year 1**

**(CAR) Future Aims in Science**

## (ONC) Academic Core- Life Science Career Day Gyrinus Natans

Introduction  
On the 28th of October Gyrinus Natans will organize a special career fair.  A diverse group of potential employers from the Life Sciences industry will be present at the information market and give interesting workshops or lectures.

Goal  
This event will be an important network opportunity which will give you the chance to orientate for a possible internship or to inform yourself about future career plans.

First, you need to register via [www.gyrinus.nl/registration](http://www.gyrinus.nl/registration). Here you can select your preference for the workshops or lectures (listed below). Make sure you do this in time so you have a spot in the workshop/lecture.

AC Assignment 1  
Check out the list of lectures/workshops (listed below) during the career fair and try to identify at least 2 workshops/lectures you definitely want to attend. Prepare in advance a short essay why you chose to attend these lectures. What is it that triggered your attention or interest?  
*Criteria: Size assignment ¼ - ½ A4 page per lecture, Font size 11.*

AC Assignment 2

During the career fair, talk to (at least) 3 different companies. Answer the following questions:

Who did you talk to and what company they are involved in?

What is the company’s main aim or goal?

What kind of position do they offer young researchers?

What courses/internships would you need to best prepare for a job at this company?

Would you work here (and why/why not)?

*Criteria: Size assignment ¼- ½ page per company, font size 11*

### AC Assignment 3

After the career fair make a short report about what the event has brought to you and what you have been able to obtain. Do this by answering the following questions:  
-What did you expect from the event in advance?  
-Did the event fulfill your expectations?   
-Did you get the chance to talk to the company/people/institutions you wanted to speak to?   
-If not what was the reason for this?   
-If you feel that the event did not bring you what you wished, what could you have done yourself to -obtain more from it?  
-Next time you will participate to an internship of career event what would you personally do different?  
*Criteria: 1-2 A4 pages, Font size 11.*

## (ONC) Academic Core- Life Cancer Vaccine Conference Amsterdam 2015

Introduction  
The field of cancer vaccines is picking up. Currently, different vaccination strategies such as conjugate-, DNA- and dendritic cell vaccines against tumor cells and host cells of the tumor stroma are being developed with increasing efficacy. A series of top-notch speakers will cover a wide range of fundamental, applied and clinical research areas in the field of cancer vaccines.

Goal

The goal of this assignment is to experience presentations from prominent researchers and reflect on your own skills. Take extra note of the presenting skills of the invited researchers and think about what makes their presentation stand out.

AC Assignment 1  
During the conference, you will see several lectures by prominent researchers in their fields. Describe 2 of the lectures you personally found the ‘best’. Describe the content of the lectures, but also why you thought these presentations stood above the others (clear slides, great presenter).

Think about your own presenting skills and write down at least 2 points you need to pay attention to with your own future presentations.

Criteria: Size assignment ½ 4 page per lecture, Font size 11.

**CAR) 6th Rembrandt Symposium 2015**

**Reflection Mentor Meeting**

**(C) Interim assessment (Minor)**

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| **General information** | | | |
| Name student |  | | |
| Stud.nr. |  | Year of introd. |  |
| Internship title |  | | |
| Supervisor |  | | |
| Assessor |  | | |
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| **Self reflection by student** | |
| Skills learned so far |  |
| Strong points |  |
| Points of improvement |  |
| Supervision |  |

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| **Evaluation of student by supervisor** | |
| Strong points |  |
| Points of improvement |  |

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| **Signatures** | |
| *Signature supervisor/assessor* | *Signature Student* |
| *Date* | *Date* |

**(D) Form for evaluation of internship (Minor)**

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| Placement information | | | |
| Name and student number  (not compulsory) |  | | |
| Placement | Internal/ External | | |
| Department |  | | |
| Supervisors |  | | |
| In case of external placement |  | | |
| Internal Supervisor |  | | |
| Department |  | | |
| Start date |  | | |
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| -- :strongly disagree/ very poor - :disagree/ poor +/- = neutral + = agree/ good  ++ = strongly agree/ very good NA: Not Applicable | | | | | | |
| Please give your opinion about the following subjects: | | | | | | |
|  | -- | - | +/- | + | ++ | NA |
| Aspects concerning content and organization | | | | | | |
| 1. It was relatively easy to find a placement. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. The subject was interesting. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Knowledge obtained during the compulsory courses was applicable to my placement. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. There was a clear project written for me. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. The project was feasible and realistic. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 8. I have increased my understanding of scientific research |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aspects concerning Supervision | | | | | | |
| 9. Clear agreements had been made when I started my placement. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. Everyone complied to the agreements made. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. Right from the start I was aware of the intensity and the way of supervision. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 19. In the case of an external placement: The supervision by the instruction from the VU was sufficient and adequate. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20. Overall, the evaluation of the supervision during the placement was … |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aspects concerning Credits Assessment | | | | | | |
| 21. The guidelines for the credits assessment were clear. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Aspects concerning Study load | | | | | | |
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| 26. Do you recommend doing a placement at this department to other student? |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Additional feedback** |
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**Academic Core Year 2**

**Academic Core Curriculum Vitae Assignment**

**Assignment 1:**

Update/write your curriculum vitae for a potential job in cancer/cardio research (PhD, industry). If you already have an internship project in mind, include this in your CV. Also, all AC events should be present in your CV.

**Assignment 2:**

Review the CV of one of your classmates. Assess content but also lay-out. Write at least 5 positive remarks and 5 negative remarks for feedback.

**Assignment 3:**

Write an application letter to a job application of your choosing.

Hand in both assignments via email to your programme as such: **Lastname\_Firstname\_CV\_AC**

Assignment 2 as such: **CVname\_PR\_Lastname\_Firstname\_AC**

**Reflection Mentor Meeting**

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