



# Dondrite news

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**Nijmegen, Wednesday, November 29, 2017**

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We are now midway through the semester and we hope all of you have gotten in the flow of it. With regards to Dondrite, these are exciting times! We have officially opened our association year and that included switching

board members. Meanwhile, the committees are working planning all kinds of fun and useful activities, some of which will be revealed this week! For that and more insider info, read on!

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## **New board members**

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Those of you who were present at the GA (thank you!) and those of you who authorised someone else to vote for them (thanks!) have with conviction voted for the two new board members proposed by the application committee. We are therefore very happy to officially introduce you to them.

Tabas is our new general board member. We believe she is a great addition because of her open attitude and her enthusiasm. We hope she

will connect people and add to the approachability of the board.

Wessel is our new secretary. He has relevant experience with committees -especially as secretary- and warm ties with our good friends at Cognac. We hope his vision and structure will help Dondrite grow.

Together with Marlies (treasurer) and Tineke (chair) they are bursting with excitement to facilitate in everything Dondrite needs.

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## **Recent Dondrite Activities**

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**Daytrip Amsterdam:** On the 21st of October a group of enthusiastic Dondrites travelled to the capital of the Netherlands. In the early

morning they first went to the Body Worlds museum. After lunch a sightseeing game was played where the Dondrites had to search for

different parts of important buildings in Amsterdam. It was a tight competition but only one of the teams could win. After this tiring game we went for dinner and then got back in the train with a smile on our face from this fun day.

**Scientific Movienight:** On the 26th of October we held our second Scientific Movie Night, which was about Alzheimer's disease. We started of with pizza as we were waiting for the movie to start. The movie that was chosen on this topic was 'still Alice', which was about a linguistics professor that was diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease. Overall, it was a successful Movie Night! It was an informative evening in a relaxed setting. The atmosphere was great and everyone liked discussing on the

topic and sharing their opinions and stories. We were happy to see many of you and look forward seeing you at the next Movie Night!

**General Assembly:** On the 14th of November the General Assembly (GA) took place. Of course we started of with pizza. During this GA the new board members Wessel and Tabas were installed. We looked back at last year in the year report and the financial overview. Also, we had a look at what you as members had to say about Dondrite by evaluating the results of the questionnaire we send out. Finally, we looked at the goals for next year and we got some great ideas from you about what could further be improved regarding the introduction. We thought it was a useful and fun meeting and hope to see you at the next GA!

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## Upcoming Dondrite & Donders Activities

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### December

The next Dondrite borrel is going to be an important one! This borrel will be the great reveal borrel as both the activity committee and travel committee will finally let the world know what they have been up to the last few months. The location(!), price and general program for the trip will be made public, as well as the location and the theme for the gala! You will even be able to buy your gala tickets. You can of course also enjoy a drink with your fellow students using our Dondrite discount.

**Info:** December 1 17:30, Cultuurcafé  
**Facebook:** [\[link\]](#)

### Borrel:

### Dondrite Spotlight:

For this fourth Dondrite Spotlight we have chosen the second most voted option of the last poll: The Impostor Syndrome in academia. Have you ever felt like you were out of your depth? Do you think that everyone but you is in his element? If that's the case, or if it's not, this is an amazing and highly extended issue in academia. In the next spotlight we are going to discuss our own experiences and thoughts about the topic.

**Info:** October 19 18:30, GR 1.170  
**Facebook:** [\[link\]](#)

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### Upcoming Donders Events:

### Date:

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**Lecture Elisabeth Binder**  
Molecular mechanisms of gene x early adversity

Friday, December 1,  
14:30-15:30

interaction [\[url\]](#)

**PhD Defence**

Molecules of somatosensory map plasticity [\[url\]](#)

Wednesday, December 6,  
12:30

**Symposium**

How to find a job outside academia [\[url\]](#)

Thursday, December 7,  
14:00-17:00

**PhD Defence**

Driving visual cortex to study neural oscillations  
[\[url\]](#)

Friday, December 8,  
10:30

**PhD Defence**

Executive functions in children with SLI [\[url\]](#)

Friday, December 8,  
12:30

**PhD Defence**

Oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophy in the  
Netherlands [\[url\]](#)

Monday, December 11,  
12:30

**Donders Poster Sessions**

[\[url\]](#)

Thursday, December 21,  
10:30-13:30

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For more information see: <http://www.ru.nl/donders/agenda-news/agenda/>

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**Fun Fact**

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Have you ever thought about how high clouds are? Low-level clouds lie below 6,500 feet. Meteorologists refer to them as stratus clouds. They are often dense, dark, rainy and snowy.

Although, they can also be cottony white clumps interspersed with blue sky. The most dramatic types of clouds are cumulus, cumulonimbus or thunderheads.

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