



Name, age & hobby's

Lieke Kuiper (27)

Politics, cooking, strength training, running, urban gardening and during our intelligent lockdown I started baking (sourdough) bread as a true Millennial.

In which institute/organization are you working?

Erasmus MC, Rotterdam and the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM)

What's your role in VOILA? What would be the best outcome for you?

I am a PhD candidate on molecular biomarkers for healthy aging.

The best outcome is threefold. First, it would be to identify markers that reflect (accelerated) aging and predict lifespan. Secondly, to collaborate with people from different academic backgrounds. Lastly, I would finish my thesis in the available time.

Mention your Pension. What will you be doing?

This job is my first paid full-time job, so it feels preliminary to predict how I will act during my pension. However, I hope to own a self-driving car. Oh, and I would love to tell the young ones that I am so old that I used the save icon (if that still exists), also known as the floppy disk, in primary school. Not to forget that I made my father angry if I was calling my best friend as she was living nearby and he couldn't use the Internet while I was using the phone line. And lastly, that we could only watch a television program while it aired unless we recorded it on videotape while it was on. Oh, I feel old already. Fortunately, most of the things I am using now will be outdated when I pension.