

Marthe Walvoort

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Marthe Walvoort obtained her PhD degree (cum laude) in 2012 at Leiden University (the Netherlands) on the organic chemistry of carbohydrates. This was followed by a postdoctoral period in glycobiology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Boston, USA). In the end of 2015, Walvoort joined the University of Groningen as Assistant Professor and Rosalind Franklin fellow in the Chemical Biology division at the Stratingh Institute for Chemistry, and she was promoted to Associate Professor in Chemical Glycobiology in 2021. She received the KNAW Early Career Award and NWO Athena Award (2021), and obtained a competitive ERC-Starting Grant (2022). In her research, Walvoort combines her expertise in (organic) chemistry with biochemistry to unravel the impact of sugars in health and disease. As of September 2024, Walvoort is the rector of the Pre-University Academy, where she supports making connections between scientific research and students of elementary and high schools in the Netherlands.

