The Organization Committee of the Spinoza Chair, set up by the Amsterdam University Association on behalf of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Amsterdam, has awarded the Spinoza Chair to

Bruno Reversade
from 13 to 16 April 2015

Over the last five years, a revolution in the speed and accessibility of high volume sequencing has introduced a paradigm shift in the field of human genetics. Rare diseases – the human experiment – are now the primary tool for annotating function to the human genome. Mendelian monogenic diseases represent outliers of the allelic distribution present in the general population and as such define its boundaries. Whilst the mutations themselves may be individually rare, the pathologies or unique traits they cause are often very common. Dr. Reversade’s group aims at identifying the mutations and genes responsible for rare diseases to reveal biological nodes whose perturbation contributes to more common developmental pathologies.

Tuesday, April 14, 2015, 16.00-17.00
SPINOZA LECTURE
“Monozygotic Twinning:
To Be or Not To Be Monoclonal”
VU University Medical Center,
Amsterdam, VUMC LECTURE HALL Amstel
Hosts: Prof.dr. C.B. Lambalk and Prof.dr. D.I. Boomsma

Thursday, April 16, 2015, 08.30-12.00
MASTERCLASS
REPRODUCTION & DEVELOPMENT
Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam
VERMEULEN-CRANCH HALL, H1-164
Hosts: Prof.dr. C.B. Lambalk and Prof. dr. S. Repping

Thursday, April 16, 2015, 16.00-17.00
SPINOZA LECTURE
"From Rare to Common: Age-Defying
Proline Because We Are Worth it"
Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, AMC LECTURE HALL 4
Hosts: Prof.dr. S. Repping and Prof. dr. E.J. Meijers-Heijboer

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