



EU Horizon 2020-funded LifeCycle Project kicks off!

Creating a sustainable European Child Cohort Network of pregnancy and child cohort studies to study early-life stressors and LifeCycle health

The EU Horizon 2020 funded LifeCycle Project was launched on April 3rd 2017 at Erasmus MC - University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. This project will bring together pregnancy and child cohort study researchers in a new, open and sustainable network, the EU CHILD Cohort Network. This network can be used to identify novel markers of early-life stressors which may affect health trajectories throughout the lifecycle.

This € 10.4 M project will be carried out by a multinational and multidisciplinary consortium consisting of 18 partners from 10 different European countries and Australia. “Early life is a window of opportunity” Project Coordinator Professor Vincent Jaddoe explains, “Adverse exposures just before and during pregnancy and during early childhood can have a profound effect on health and disease during childhood, adolescence and adulthood”.

This ambitious project combines data on over 250,000 children and their parents from Europe and Australia to provide robust scientific evidence on this important topic. Research findings will be translated into new prevention and intervention policies focused on the earliest phase of life, giving next generations the best possible start!

For further information and to keep up to date with the LifeCycle project visit: www.lifecycle-project.eu

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About LifeCycle

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