

The Radboudumc gallbladder cancer research group, founded in 2017, is a multidisciplinary research group consisting of surgeons, pathologists, oncologists and gastroenterologists. The aim of the research group is to improve clinical management of patients with gallbladder cancer. Specifically, this is facilitated by two pillars of the research group:

1. Translational research: Identification of molecular characteristics associated with prognosis and treatment response.
2. Clinical research: An evaluation and consequently optimization of treatment patterns of gallbladder cancer patients in the Netherlands.

To achieve these aims, the research group has been transformed into a nation-wide network, consisting of members of all academic institutes in the Netherlands. The research collaborative has published over 15 papers thus far, in top-end journals like Annals of Surgery. Current projects, amongst others, include:

1. Prospective collection of data on the treatment of gallbladder cancer patients in Dutch academic centers.
2. Next-generation sequencing of molecular characteristics of over 400 patients with gallbladder cancer.

The research group also collaborates with the Dutch Hepatobiliary Cancer Group (<https://www.dhcg.org>). Due to the fact that gallbladder cancer is very rare in the Netherlands, the group recognizes the value of international collaboration. To get in touch for any questions or research proposals, please contact Philip de Reuver at Philip.dereuver@radboudumc.nl.

