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Project title: Role of rare Epivariants in NDDs

| Duration | 3 months |
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| Short Bio | I was doing my PhD and working on genetics and epigenetics of monogenic neurodevelopmental disorders. Previously, I have obtained MD degree and have little experience with bioinformatics and DNA methylation data analysis. |
| Home Institution | Radboud university medical centre, Nijmegen, the Netherlands |
| Host institution | Manchester University Hospitals NHS Trust, Manchester, UK |
| Project description | The project aimed to identify disease-causing rare epivariants among individuals with unsolved NDDs. I learned DNA methylation data analysis principles and basics and was able to implement and test epivariant detection tools. |
| Personal statement | The experience was great for different aspects – to learn new methods practically, to establish a strong collaboration between the institutions, as well as to get experience with completely different system (of research, of group meetings). I use the obtained knowledge for my next projects. The epivariant detection tool was later implemented later also test in the host and home institutions. |



