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## Activities

### Andrew Dickerson

David Fernandez Rivas (Host)  
Jan 2022 → ...

### Global Young Academy (External organisation)

David Fernandez Rivas (Chair)  
2020 → 2025

### Mesoscale Chemical Systems (Organisational unit)

David Fernandez Rivas (Chair)  
2020

### Cost Action CA18224 - Green Chemical Engineering Network towards upscaling sustainable processes (External organisation)

David Fernandez Rivas (Chair)  
Nov 2019 → Nov 2023

### Process Intensification Network NL (PIN NL) (External organisation)

David Fernandez Rivas (Chair)  
2017

### Localized removal of layers of metal, polymer or biomaterial by ultrasound cavitation microbubbles

B. Verhaagen (Speaker), David Fernandez Rivas (Speaker), Johannes G.E. Gardeniers (Speaker), Michel Versluis (Speaker) & Detlef Lohse (Speaker)  
1 Dec 2012

### High-speed fluorescence imaging

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12 Jan 2012

## Press/Media

### 'Virtually painless' needle-free injections developed in Netherlands

David Fernandez Rivas, Lea Milovich & Jan Jelle Schoppink  
13/10/21  
1 Media contribution

### A Dutch Scientist Has Invented Needle-Free Injections

David Fernandez Rivas  
19/10/21  
1 item of Media coverage

### Are you afraid of an injection?

David Fernandez Rivas  
19/10/21  
1 Media contribution

**BNR Radio Interview over Needle-free technology**

David Fernandez Rivas

8/05/19

1 Media contribution

**Bang voor een prik? Deze onderzoeker wil medicijnen met een laser inspuiten**

David Fernandez Rivas

6/03/20

1 Media contribution

**Best tech idea 2017**

David Fernandez Rivas

16/11/17

1 Media contribution

**Bubble guns and the Japanese subway**

David Fernández Rivas

21/10/22

1 Media contribution

**Cover of prestigious Energy & Environmental Science Journal**

David Fernandez Rivas

17/10/18

1 item of Media coverage

**David Fernandez Rivas en Cathy van Beek over injecteren zonder naalden**

David Fernandez Rivas

23/03/21

1 Media contribution

**De onbekende kracht van belletjes**

David Fernandez Rivas

15/03/17

1 Media contribution

**Digitale uitreiking zevende Prins Friso Ingenieursprijs**

David Fernandez Rivas

17/03/21

1 Media contribution

**Doodsbang voor prikken? Het kan straks zonder naald**

David Fernandez Rivas

10/03/20

1 Media contribution

**Ecco il tatuaggio senza aghi, indolore e intelligente**

David Fernandez Rivas

11/06/19

1 item of Media coverage

**Een op de vijf Nederlanders is bang voor naalden**

David Fernandez Rivas

18/08/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Empathy: Enabling students to be entrepreneurs**

David Fernandez Rivas

31/03/22

1 Media contribution

**Eén sputt en het licht gaat uit**

David Fernandez Rivas

9/01/21

1 item of Media coverage

**High-speed camera captures a water jet's splashy impact as it pierces a droplet**

David Fernandez Rivas, Miguel Angel Quetzeri Santiago & Ian Hunter

18/08/21

1 item of Media coverage

**I want to remain relevant**

David Fernandez Rivas

22/10/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Impact of a microfluidic jet on a pendant droplet**

David Fernández Rivas , Miguel Angel Quetzeri Santiago, Devaraj van der Meer & Ian W. Hunter

18/11/22

2 Media contributions

**Ingeniero cubano es candidato al premio Príncipe Friso de Ingeniería**

David Fernandez Rivas

14/03/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Ingenieur van het jaar David Fernandez Rivas: 'Erkenning van de samenleving'**

David Fernandez Rivas

18/03/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Injecting without fear**

David Fernández Rivas & Diana Laura van der Ven

23/11/22

1 Media contribution

**Injecting without needles**

David Fernandez Rivas

5/05/21

1 Media contribution

**Injecting without needles on Dutch National TV**

David Fernandez Rivas & Jan Jelle Schoppink

5/05/21

1 Media contribution

**Interview Ahora con Oscar Haza**

David Fernandez Rivas

19/03/21

1 Media contribution

**Interview to BuBble Gun team**

David Fernandez Rivas, Diana Laura van der Ven & Jan Jelle Schoppink  
10/03/20  
1 item of Media coverage

**Inyecciones sin agujas: el proyecto candidato a premio de un ingeniero cubano**

David Fernandez Rivas  
9/03/21  
1 Media contribution

**Inyectar sin agujas: la solución de un cubano y su equipo en los Países Bajos**

David Fernandez Rivas  
3/03/21  
1 item of Media coverage

**LJUSGLIMTAR: Se lasersprutan som ska bota spruträdska**

David Fernandez Rivas  
29/10/21  
1 item of Media coverage

**Laser powers needle-free microjet injection**

David Fernandez Rivas  
23/04/19  
1 Media contribution

**Lecture in Universiteit van Nederland**

David Fernandez Rivas  
8/02/21  
1 Media contribution

**Lichtgevende tatoeage als waarschuwing**

David Fernandez Rivas  
4/03/21  
1 Media contribution

**Microjets and Needle-Free Injection**

David Fernandez Rivas, Miguel Angel Quetzeri Santiago & Devaraj van der Meer  
8/09/21  
1 item of Media coverage

**Naaldloos injecteren: het kan**

David Fernandez Rivas & Lea Milovich  
6/05/21  
1 Media contribution

**Needle-free injections could become a reality, thanks to lasers and the 'bubble gun'**

David Fernandez Rivas, Lea Milovich & Jan Jelle Schoppink  
18/10/21  
1 item of Media coverage

**Nieuwe pleister brengt ons dichter bij draagbare, alles-in-één gezondheidsmeter**

David Fernandez Rivas  
21/02/21  
1 Media contribution

**No needle, doc!**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
12/03/21  
1 item of Media coverage

**No needle, doc!**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
12/03/21  
1 Media contribution

**Opening up a path for solar energy**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
16/10/18  
1 item of Media coverage

**Our skin is a platform**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
21/03/19  
1 Media contribution

**Plots staat Cuba bovenaan in de coronagrafieken, artsen luiden noodklok om tekorten**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
19/08/21  
1 Media contribution

**Prik angst (fear of injections)**  
David Fernandez Rivas & Michel Versluis  
3/03/21  
1 Media contribution

**Prikken zonder naald: zuiniger en minder pijnlijk**  
David Fernandez Rivas & Miguel Angel Quetzeri Santiago  
6/04/22  
1 item of Media coverage

**Radio NPO1 interview**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
15/03/20  
1 Media contribution

**Rising star**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
30/08/18  
1 item of Media coverage

**SPUITJE ZONDER PRIK; HIER KOMT DE NAALDLOZE INJECTIE**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
6/05/19  
1 Media contribution

**Sobre inyecciones sin agujas - interview - needle-free injections**  
David Fernandez Rivas  
21/10/21  
1 Media contribution

**Spreading entrepreneurial ambitions from an academic perspective**

David Fernandez Rivas

26/04/17

1 item of Media coverage

**Stembussen beste tech-idee 2017 zijn gesloten!**

David Fernandez Rivas

15/09/17

1 item of Media coverage

**Straaltje vloeistof doorboort druppel**

David Fernandez Rivas & Miguel Angel Quetzeri Santiago

16/08/21

1 Media contribution

**Tubantia Special coverage**

David Fernandez Rivas

15/04/19

1 item of Media coverage

**UT hoofddocent met injectie zonder naald genomineerd voor Prins Friso Prijs**

David Fernandez Rivas

13/03/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Vaccineren zonder naald: een perfecte vinding van UT-docent, maar het kan nog nét niet**

David Fernandez Rivas

18/02/21

1 item of Media coverage

**Van druppel naar toepassing**

David Fernández Rivas & Detlef Lohse

17/11/22

1 Media contribution

**Why empathy can make you a better entrepreneur**

David Fernandez Rivas

9/06/22

1 Media contribution

**Zweetverzamelende pleister kijkt truc af van cactusstekels**

David Fernandez Rivas

10/11/21

1 Media contribution

**¿Cuáles deberían ser las habilidades de los futuros ingenieros?**

David Fernandez Rivas

8/06/22

1 Media contribution

**'Slim shirt' houdt het hart in de gaten**

David Fernandez Rivas

2/09/21

1 Media contribution

**Awards**

**Projects**