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Vera Schrauwen-Hinderling studied Biochemistry and Human Nutrition at the ETH in Zürich, Switzerland. In 2006, she received her doctoral degree at the department of radiology of Maastricht University Medical Center in the Netherlands with the thesis entitled: "Skeletal muscle lipid metabolism: a magnetic resonance spectroscopy study". She was awarded with a scholarship for talented PhD students from the faculty of Medical Sciences to continue her research as post-doctoral student. In 2010, she got a prestigious 'veni' grant from the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) entitled "hepatic steatosis: imaging the fate of fat". Presently, she is holding a position as assistant professor at the Department of Radiology. Her expertise is *in vivo* magnetic resonance spectroscopy in skeletal muscle, liver and myocardium and the main field of interest is the role of ectopic fat storage and mitochondrial function in the etiology of insulin resistance and type 2 diabetes mellitus.