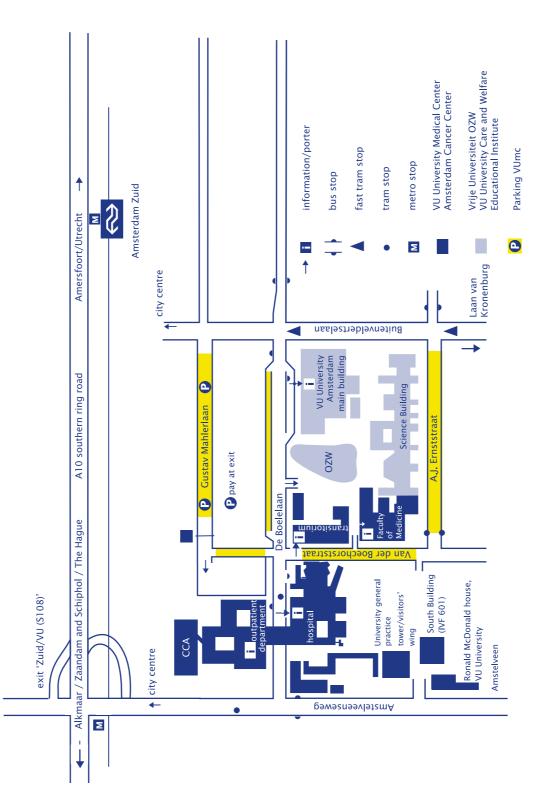
#### Taxi-point

A Taxi-point is an electronic reservation system that patients living in or near Amsterdam can use to book a taxi to take them home. The Taxi-points at VU University Medical Center are located near the Outpatients department entrance and the main entrance of the hospital. You can automatically book a return trip by swiping the magnetic strip of a transport pass through the card reader of one of the pillar-shaped booking points. Your taxi will arrive within 15 to 45 minutes. The travel pass contains patient information which indicates to the switchboard of the taxi company whether they should dispatch an ordinary taxi, a taxibus or a wheelchair bus. The pass also contains details of the patient's address, so there are no misunderstandings about their destination. If you have any questions about supplementary public transport (AOV), please contact the Social Support Act (WMO) Help Desk on 0800 0643, from 09:00 to 17:00, on Mondays to Fridays.





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# parking

There are only a limited number of parking spaces in the proximity of VU University Medical Center. We would advise you to make use of public transport wherever possible. If you are travelling to VU University Medical Center by car, we would advise you to allow extra time for parking.

#### Patient pick-up and drop-off

If you are driven to the VUmc by car or cab, the driver can drop you off or pick you up in front of the hospital or outpatient department. Please note: parking is not allowed here. Your driver can park in the garage under the Acta building, next to the VUmc outpatient department (by way of Gustav Mahlerlaan road) or on Gustav Mahlerlaan (public road).

Parking must be paid for before leaveing the Acta garage. The rate for one hour is €3. If you park on Gustav Mahlerlaan (public road), you will need to pay in advance with cash or chip card at one of the pay stations.

Parking on the public road costs €1.40 an hour. A day pass is €8.40. You must pay in advance. on weekdays between 7.45 am and 4.45 there is a shuttle bus every 15 minutes from the Acta garage to Gustav Mahlerlaan, the hospital's main entrance and the outpatient department and vice versa. The blue shuttle bus can be identified by its VUmc logo.

**The Gustav Mahlerlaan** car park You can park your car on Gustav Mahlerlaan. See map. The parking fee is € 1.40 per hour.

A one-day ticket costs € 8.40 You pay on arrival, using cash or a Chipknip prepaid card. A shuttle bus service operates between the car park on Gustav Mahlerlaan and the main entrances of the hospital and the Outpatients department. Buses depart every 15 minutes from 7:45 to 16:45, on weekdays. The shuttle bus is blue, and bears the VU University Medical Center logo.

Other parking facilities Paid parking is also available on A.J. Ernststraat and Van der Boechorststraat (see map) from Monday to Friday, between 09:00 and 19:00, at a charge of € 1,40 per hour (a one-day ticket costs € 8,40). You pay on arrival. You can park there free of charge after 19:00 and at weekends. These parking spaces are usually full by early morning.

The Stadionplein P+R (Park and Ride) car park (near the Olympic Stadium) is quite close to VU University Medical Center. Tram numbers 16 and 24 depart from stops near this multi-storey car park for VU University Medical Center every 5 minutes. The parking fee is € 6 (which includes the cost of a tram ticket). Further details can be obtained at www.gvb.nl. After 10 o'clock, parking in the Amsterdamse Bos is free of charge. From there you can reach VU University Medical Center on foot in less than 10 minutes.Further details on parking facilities and parking charges in Amsterdam can be found at www.parkerenamsterdam.nl

#### National parking permit

If you hold a national parking permit, you can park free of charge in the designated parking spaces in front of the entrances of the hospital and the Outpatients department.

### by train

VU University Medical Center is easily accessible by public transport from various stations in Amsterdam. For details, see 'by tram' or 'by bus'.

The nearest railway station (Amsterdam Zuid) is only about twenty minutes' walk from VU University Medical Center, however there are also good public transport links. For up to date travel information see www.ns.nl and www.gvb.nl

From the province of Noord-Holland: Sloterdijk rapid transfer. Trains for Amsterdam leave stations in the Zaanstreek region every fifteen minutes. From Amsterdam Sloterdijk railway station there is an excellent onward connection for train passengers from all parts of Noord-Holland (Alkmaar, Hoorn, the Zaanstreek region and Haarlem) via rapid tram/metro line 50 to the stop on Amstelveenseweg.

**From Leiden/The Hague:** six times per hour. Two of these services are direct local trains (which terminate in Lelystad), while the other four involve changing trains at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and alighting at Amsterdam Zuid station. So there are six services per hour from The Hague to Amsterdam Zuid. The journey time is about fifty minutes.

From Amersfoort and the North Eastern region of the Netherlands: four times per hour (Leeuwarden, Groningen, Enschede, Zwolle). This part of the country has excellent Intercity services. The trip from Amersfoort to Amsterdam Zuid, for example, takes less than thirty minutes. The trip is fifteen minutes longer if you are using one of the other train services. There are both direct and transfer connections.

From the 't Gooi region and the province of Flevoland: four times per hour. There are frequent train services from Het Gooi and Flevoland to Amsterdam Zuid. Most stations have two direct services per hour and two indirect services which involve changing trains at Weesp.

Trains from Almere take half an hour to reach Amsterdam Zuid.

# by tram

**The no. 50 rapid tram/metro** line runs between Isolatorweg and Gein, via the Amsterdam Sloterdijk railway station. Alight at the Amstelveenseweg stop. VU University Medical Center is just a ten minute walk from this stop.

**The no. 51 rapid tram** runs between Amsterdam Central Station and Amstelveen Westwijk, via the Amsterdam Amstel railway station. Alight at the De Boelelaan/VU stop on Buitenveldertselaan. VU University Medical Center is just over five minutes' walk from this stop.

**The no. 5 rapid tram** runs between Amsterdam Central Station and Amstelveen Binnenhof. Alight at the De Boelelaan/VU rapid tram stop on Buitenveldertselaan. VU University Medical Center is just over five minutes' walk from this stop.

**The no. 16 tram** runs between Passenger Terminal Amsterdam and Gustav Mahlerlaan. Alight at the terminal in front of the hospital.

**The no. 24 tram** runs between Passenger Terminal Amsterdam and Gustav Mahlerlaan. Alight at the terminal in front of the hospital.

# by bus

#### Alight at De Boelelaan

**The no. 62 bus** runs between the Amsterdam Amstel and Lelylaan metro/railway stations. Alight at the VU medisch centrum stop on De Boelelaan.

**The no. 166 bus** runs between the Amstelveen bus station and Amsterdam Zuid. Alight at the VU medisch centrum stop on De Boelelaan.

The no. 171 bus runs between Amsterdam Zuid and Hortensiaplein, in Aalsmeer. Alight at the VU medisch centrum stop on De Boelelaan.

**The no. 176 bus** runs between Amsterdam Zuid and the Haarlem railway station. Alight at the VU medisch centrum stop on De Boelelaan.

**The no. 310 bus** Nieuw-Vennep and Amsterdam Zuid. Alight at the VU medisch centrum stop on De Boelelaan.

#### Alight at Amstelveenseweg

**The no.142 bus** runs between Amsterdam Central Station and Wilnis. Alight at the De Boelelaan stop on Amstelveenseweg.

**The no. 170 bus** runs between Amsterdam Central Station and Uithoorn. Alight at the De Boelelaan stop on Amstelveenseweg.

**The no. 172 bus** Kudelstaat and Amsterdam Central Station. Alight at the De Boelelaan stop on Amstelveenseweg.

Further details can be obtained by calling public transport travel information at 0900-9292 (€ 0.50 per minute) or by visiting www.ovr.nl. and www.9292ov.nl

# by car

The VU University Medical Center website includes a route planner (www.VUmc.nl/adressen). Whichever direction you are coming from, you can easily access the southern section of the Amsterdam bypass (the A10). Drive along the bypass until you reach junction S108, which is signposted Zuid/VU. At the end of the motorway exit road, turn left towards the VU University Medical Center (see reverse).