

# The MIRACLE study

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Positive opinion
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON21289

### Source

NTR

### Brief title

MIRACLE

### Health condition

Colorectal Cancer Liver Metastases

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Prof. Dr. C. Verhoef Erasmus, Head of department of Surgical Oncology, MC Cancer Institute Groene Hilledijk 301, 3075 EA, Rotterdam

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## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Recurrence of disease after hepatic resection for colorectal cancer liver metastases within one year after resection

### Secondary outcome

To identify tumor-specific characteristics of CTC and cfDNA at the molecular level, and to correlate these parameters with the response on chemotherapy and the recurrence rate within 1 year.

To answer whether serial measurements of cfDNA and CTCs will provide more adequate information than single point measurement prior to therapy.

To address whether or not (serial) assessments of tumor-specific characteristics of CTC and DNA at the molecular level add to the current known prognostic factors in overall survival.

## Study description

### Background summary

Rationale:

For colorectal cancer (CRC) patients presenting with isolated liver metastases, a treatment comprising a liver metastasectomy is the only potentially curative option. However, a substantial number of patients shows a relapse following this procedure underlining the need for prognostic factors. Such prognostic factors allow a more personalized treatment strategy; more intensified treatments for those with a high risk for relapse and maybe less intensified approaches for those with a low risk. In recent years, several pre-operative prognostic factors in patients with isolated colorectal liver metastases have been revealed for the risk of relapse after a metastasectomy including the number and size of metastases, synchronicity and CEA serum levels. Although this type of clinical risk scoring is well-validated and able to distinguish between high-risk and low-risk patients, further fine-tuning is desperately needed. Clinically low-risk patients may experience relapse rates of 40% at 1 year, whereas clinically high-risk patients may show a 5-year survival rate of 20-40%. This underlines the importance of novel pre-clinical and biological prognostic factors. Relevant prognostic and predictive factors are required to determine the most effective combination of treatments for each individual patient with metastatic CRC.

Objective:

To establish (i) whether or not pre-operative determination of cell-free DNA (cfDNA) and circulating tumor cells (CTC), alone or in combination with each other, in peripheral blood of CRC patients with isolated colorectal liver metastases (CRLM) undergoing hepatic resection determined before and/or after resection with or without pre-operative chemotherapy, can discriminate between patients showing a recurrence within 1 year from those who do not, and (ii) whether or not these novel factors significantly add to the current known prognostic factors.

Study design:

Prospective observational cohort study

In summary:

1. In total, 240 colorectal cancer patients with isolated liver metastases undergoing a potentially curative hepatic resection will be studied.

2. Known pre-operative prognostic factors nowadays used in the prognostic clinical scoring systems (including number and size of liver metastases, the time interval from primary tumor to metastases, CEA levels, free resection margins) will be established.
3. Peripheral blood samples for quantitative determination of cfDNA levels and enumeration of CTCs will be drawn from all participating patients: before and after the start of neoadjuvant chemotherapy, and before and after hepatic resection.
4. Patients will be monitored for recurrence of disease with traditional imaging techniques such as ultrasound, CT-, MRI- and PET-scans, according to the National guidelines.
5. Assessment whether or not determination of cfDNA, CTC, alone or in combination with each other, improves the prognostic value of currently known prognostic models to predict early recurrence in colorectal cancer patients with isolated liver metastases undergoing a potentially curative hepatic resection.
6. Assessment whether or not determination of cfDNA, CTC, alone or in combination with each other, have predictive value with respect to the outcome of neoadjuvant chemotherapy.
7. Exploratory analyses will be done using targeted next-generation sequencing of a panel of genes thought to be involved in the outcome of colorectal cancer to establish whether or not the genomic constitution of cfDNA taken at different time points relative to treatment is associated with outcome.

Study population: Patients  $\geq 18$  years of age with liver metastases of histologically confirmed primary colorectal carcinoma. Metastasis in other sites than the liver are excluded. Liver metastases must be deemed resectable.

Main study parameters/endpoints:

Primary endpoint

Our primary endpoint is recurrence of disease after hepatic resection for colorectal liver metastases within one year after resection.

Secondary endpoints

- Improve the selection of patients who respond to neoadjuvant chemotherapy.
- Improve the selection of patients who will have a complete response after neoadjuvant chemotherapy.
- To identify tumor-specific characteristics of CTC and cfDNA at the molecular level, and to correlate these parameters with the response on chemotherapy and the recurrence rate within 1 year.
- To objectify whether serial measurements of cfDNA and CTCs will provide more adequate information than single point measurement prior to therapy.
- To address whether or not (serial) assessments of tumor-specific characteristics of CTC and DNA at the molecular level add to the current known prognostic factors in overall survival.

## **Study objective**

Determination of preoperative cell-free DNA and circulating tumor cells alone or in combination with each other in peripheral blood of patients with colorectal liver metastases can discriminate between patients who have a recurrence of metastatic disease within 1 year and those who do not.

## **Study design**

Preoperative, postoperative: day 1, 5, and 21

## **Intervention**

Venous blood samples (60 ml per sample) at 4 time points: preoperative on the day of surgery and postoperative day: 1, 5, and 21

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## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

Age  $\geq 18$  years.

Histologically confirmed primary colorectal carcinoma.

Radiological confirmed and resectable liver metastasis of colorectal cancer, planned to undergo resection with or without neo-adjuvant chemotherapy.

Before patient registration, written informed consent must be given according to ICH/GCP, and national/local regulations.

### **Exclusion criteria**

Prior adjuvant chemotherapy for the primary colorectal carcinoma given  $<6$  months prior to detection of the liver metastases.

Second primary malignancy within the past 5 years with the exception of adequately treated in situ carcinoma of any organ or basal cell carcinoma of the skin.

Presence of extrahepatic disease. Patients with small ( $\leq 1$  cm) extrahepatic lesions that are not clearly suspicious of metastases are eligible.

Females with a positive pregnancy test (within 14 days before treatment start).

History of psychiatric disability judged by the investigator to be clinically significant, precluding informed consent.

Current or recent treatment with another investigational drug or participation in another investigational study.

Any psychological, familial, sociological or geographical condition potentially hampering compliance with the study protocol and follow-up schedule; those conditions should be discussed with the patient before registration in study.

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Observational non invasive
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	N/A , unknown

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	21-10-2015
Enrollment:	240
Type:	Anticipated

### IPD sharing statement

**Plan to share IPD:** Undecided

## Ethics review

Positive opinion	
Date:	26-01-2021
Application type:	First submission

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL9227
Other	METC EMC : MEC-2015-289

## Study results