

# Reproducibility and diagnostic accuracy of an internationally-endorsed screening framework for cervical vascular risks following manual therapy and exercise. The Go4Safe trial

No registrations found.

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

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON21862

### Source

NTR

### Brief title

The Go4safe trial

### Health condition

Musculoskeletal neck pain and/ or headache

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and the MSG Science network Physiotherapy (<https://msg-sciencenetwerk.nl/>)

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## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Reproducibility:

The overall inter-examiner agreement, specific positive and negative inter-examiner agreement, and inter-examiner reliability (Cohen's Kappa's) will be calculated.

Diagnostic accuracy:

Sensitivity, specificity, and the Area Under the Curve (AUC) will be calculated

### Secondary outcome

Not applicable

## Study description

### Background summary

Background: Clinicians are recommended or required to use the screening framework developed by the International Federation of Orthopaedic Manipulative Physical Therapists (IFOMPT) to reduce the risk for vascular complications following cervical manual therapy and exercise. However, the reproducibility and diagnostic accuracy of this screening framework is still unknown.

Aim: This study aimed to determine the inter-examiner agreement and inter-examiner reliability and diagnostic accuracy of the IFOMPT framework among manual therapists in primary care.

Methods: Patients who consulted a manual- physiotherapist for neck pain or headache will be included in the study. Each patient will be tested independently by two manual-physiotherapists for the inter-examiner agreement and inter-examiner reliability part of the study. To determine the diagnostic accuracy, the results of IFOMPT- framework will be compared to a reference standard consisting of an expert panel of two vascular neurologists with access to the results of Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA).

### Study objective

We hypothesize that evaluation of the IFOMPT framework gives insight into the reproducibility and diagnostic accuracy of this screening tool for risk estimation of vascular complications among manual-physiotherapists

### Study design

Cross-sectional: Time between test and re-test or test and reference test is maximum one week

## **Intervention**

Not applicable

## **Contacts**

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## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

- At least 18 years old
- Consulted a manual physiotherapist for neck pain or headache
- Sufficient knowledge of the Dutch language to participate in the study.

### **Exclusion criteria**

Reproducibility: None

Diagnostic accuracy: contraindications for MRA imaging (i.e. claustrophobia, internal pacemaker, metal objects in/or around the neck or face or those who could not lie for 20 minutes)

## Study design

### Design

Study type: Observational non invasive  
Intervention model: Other  
Allocation: Non controlled trial  
**Control:** N/A , unknown

### Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped  
Start date (anticipated): 01-07-2017  
Enrollment: 150  
Type: Actual

### IPD sharing statement

**Plan to share IPD:** Undecided

#### Plan description

Not applicable

## Ethics review

Positive opinion  
Date: 15-03-2020  
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 NL8459

Other Medical Ethics Review Committee of the Amsterdam University Medical Centre  
(Location VUmc) : METC- 2017.086

## Study results

### Summary results

Not applicable