

# Hysmis study.

## Misoprostol for cervical priming prior to hysteroscopy in postmenopausal or nulliparous women; a multi-centre randomised placebo controlled trial.

No registrations found.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Positive opinion
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

### Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON22053

#### Source

Nationaal Trial Register

#### Brief title

Hysmis

#### Health condition

Hysteroscopy/hysteroscopie

Pain/pijn

Misoprostol

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** VUmc

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Sponsor initiated

### Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Pain measured by a continuous pain score meter

### Secondary outcome

the postoperative pain measured directly after the procedure measured as VAS-score by questionnaire (questionnaire nr 3)

the pain during passage of the cervix measured as the Peak Pain Score (PPS) and the Average Pain per Second (APS)

the total experienced pain during the procedure measured as AUC and PPS

the level of difficulty of the hysteroscopy experienced by the surgeon, measured by a Likert 5-point Scale

the total operating time

the duration of cervical passage

the intra-operator differences

the differences in pain score between vaginal nullipara and multipara

the acceptability of the procedure again

the preference to undergo the procedure under general anesthesia

adverse events including nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, fever, abdominal pain and vaginal bleeding

complications such as perforation, bleeding, nausea, vomiting, syncope and heavy pain

## Study description

### Background summary

When a woman is experiencing abnormal uterine bleeding and/or is suspected of an uterine cavity abnormality the common procedure is a diagnostic or therapeutic hysteroscopy. Other reasons for hysteroscopy comprehend sub fertility, recurrent pregnancy loss and sterilization. Most often hysteroscopy requires extended dilatation of the cervix. There are different procedures to perform a hysteroscopy. In our hospital we perform the vaginoscopic also known as the Bettocchi procedure. Especially in postmenopausal women difficulties can be encountered, since cervical changes decrease elasticity and increase the level of obliteration. Dilating the cervix can be a painful event and tends to be more painful in nulliparous women and in postmenopausal stage. Pain is the reason for failure of hysteroscopy in up to 75% of all cases failed.

Local or general anaesthesia is a time-consuming and not a risk less event which is only to be used when absolutely necessary. Therefore another way of reducing pain is preferred.

According to literature cervical ripening and/or dilatation could be facilitated by Misoprostol thus reducing pain.

The few studies performed in postmenopausal patients are conflicting regarding

improvement in cervical dilatation and ease of the procedure with previous use of Misoprostol. More research is needed.

Objective: To evaluate the benefit of Misoprostol prior to hysteroscopy in nulliparous and postmenopausal women regarding the reduction of pain.

### **Study objective**

Misoprostol prior to hysteroscopy in nulliparous and postmenopausal women will reduce pain during the procedure.

### **Study design**

4 moments for measurement: 1. questionnaire before intake of study medication, 2. questionnaire right before the hysteroscopy, 3. use of the continuous pain score meter during the hysteroscopy, 4. questionnaire after the hysteroscopy.

### **Intervention**

Treatment exists of Misoprostol (a prostaglandine E1-analogue) compared to placebo. Misoprostol ripens the cervix. Therefore the hypothesis is that Misoprostol decreases the pain experienced during hysteroscopy. This is our primary outcome: pain, measured by a continuous pain score meter and a VAS-score. Intervention- and control-groups are similar, randomisation is double blinded. Patients are either postmenopausal or premenopausal nullipara. The duration of the intervention is 24 and 12 hours before the hysteroscopy. The patient takes either Misoprostol or placebo, double blinded.

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## **Eligibility criteria**

## Inclusion criteria

Indication for diagnostic or therapeutic hysteroscopy

Nulliparity if premenopausal

Postmenopausal state (>1 year after last menstruation)

Adequate command of the Dutch language

Informed consent

## Exclusion criteria

Allergy for Misoprostol

Previous cervical surgery or hysteroscopy

Active infection

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Double blinded (masking used)
Control:	Placebo

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	20-08-2013
Enrollment:	136
Type:	Anticipated

## Ethics review

Positive opinion

Date: 12-08-2013

Application type: First submission

## Study registrations

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

ID: 39813

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

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

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL3948
NTR-old	NTR4113
CCMO	NL38602.029.12
ISRCTN	ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd.
OMON	NL-OMON39813

## Study results

### Summary results

N/A