# PRICE onderzoek: Het gebruik van een CRP test in de huisartsenpraktijk bij de behandeling van kinderen met een lage luchtweginfectie

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Positive opinion

**Status** Pending

**Health condition type** 

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON22451

Source

Nationaal Trial Register

**Brief title** 

**PRICE** 

**Health condition** 

Children with non severe lower respiratory tract infections

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** University Medical Center Utrecht

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ZonMW, Saltro diagnostisch centrum. Star

medisch diagnostisch centrum. Axis Shield

#### Intervention

## **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Antibiotic reduction expressed in the percentage of children prescribed antibiotics in the first 28 days after consultation, as compared to a strategy without POC CRP measurement (usual care)

## **Secondary outcome**

- -Health care use
- -Costs
- -Adverse events
- -Quality of life (QOL)
- -Functional Health status
- -Symptoms
- -Cost-effectiveness

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Rationale: LRTI is one of the most common reasons to consult a general practitioner (GP) in children. Despite the fact that antibiotics are only recommended in suspected pneumonia, the majority of children presenting with acute bronchitis are prescribed antibiotics. point of care (POC) C-reactive protein (CRP) measurement has shown to reduce antibiotic prescribing for lower respiratory tract infection in adults without compromising patients' recovery and satisfaction with care. In children however, no evidence is yet available.

Objective: To analyse costs and effects of POC CRP measurement in children with non-severe lower respiratory tract infection (LRTI) in primary care.

Study design: Cluster randomised controlled two arm trial with 28 days follow up. GP practices are randomised to usual care, or usual care plus POC CRP. Twenty-two practices from Utrecht, Rotterdam and Maastricht areas will be involved, a total of 356 children will participate.

Study population: Children between 3 months and 12 years presenting with non-severe LRTI. Study endpoints: Primary outcome is antibiotic reduction expressed in the % of children prescribed antibiotics in the first 28 days after consultation, as compared to a strategy without POC CRP measurement (usual care). Secondary outcomes include health care use, costs, adverse events, functional health status, symptoms and cost-effectiveness.

## Study objective

Point of care measurement of C-reactive protein in children with non severe lower respiratory tract infection in primary care will reduce the proportion of children treated with antibiotics without increasing complications, and is cost effective compared to care as usual

## Study design

primary outcome after 28 days secondary outcome after 3 months

#### Intervention

GP practices are randomised to usual care, or usual care plus point of care CRP. All parents are asked to fill out a 28-day online diary about the child's symptoms, health care use and costs

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# **Eligibility criteria**

## Inclusion criteria

- -Children aged between 3 months and 12 years
- -Presenting to the GP with a non-severe LRTI: acute cough (shorter than 21 days) with (reported) fever (>38 °C, shorter than 5 days)
- -Parents of the patient should be able to provide written informed consent and be willing to complete the patient diary.

## **Exclusion criteria**

- -Immunodeficiency
- -Underlying severe pulmonary disease like Cystic Fibrosis, Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia,
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congenital pulmonary defects

- -Serious congenital defects, such as Down syndrome, congenital heart defects, neuromuscular disease, severe developmental retardation
- -recent (previous four weeks) use of systemic antibiotics and/or corticosteroids
- -being severely ill as judged by the GP based on symptoms and signs
- -highly suspected of having pneumonia
- -referral to specialist or emergency department deemed necessary by GP

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: N/A, unknown

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 15-01-2014

Enrollment: 354

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 14-01-2014

Application type: First submission

# **Study registrations**

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

ID: 41688

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

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

No registrations found.

# In other registers

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# **Study results**