

# Establishing the presence and characteristics of snoring sounds in a sleep laboratory population

No registrations found.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Not applicable
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON24210

### Source

NTR

### Brief title

EPiCSS

### Health condition

Snoring

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** None

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** None

## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The presence of snoring sounds, snoring sound duration, inter-snore interval duration, frequency, intensity (sound pressure level, equivalent sound pressure level, and top 1, 5, and 10 percentile sound pressure level) and the diagnosis after the PSG will be the primary

outcome measures of this study.

## **Secondary outcome**

The measured variables will be same with those in the primary objectives. Possible changes in the above mentioned outcomes will be assessed. The diagnosis, type of treatment and objective effect of the treatment (PSG) will be added to the results of the cross-sectional study outcomes.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) is characterized by repetitive complete or partial obstruction of the upper airway during sleep, often resulting in oxygen desaturations and arousals from sleep. OSA is associated with a host of negative health outcomes, amongst which a higher risk of hypertension and cardiovascular disease. Excessive daytime sleepiness, fatigue, lack of concentration, and snoring out loud as reported by a sleep partner are amongst the frequently reported subjective complaints. Objectively, OSA is diagnosed by means of polysomnography (PSG), which requires physiologic measurements of brain activity during sleep and measurements of the amount of airflow reductions and oxygen desaturations during sleep. Thus, OSA patients are diagnosed based on the apnea-hypopnea index (AHI) of at least 5 events/hour of sleep determined during a PSG recording. The severity of OSA is classified as mild (AHI 5-15), moderate (AHI 15-30), and severe (AHI >30). OSA is a major public health problem, with an estimated prevalence of 2% and 4% for women and men, respectively. Importantly, in the general population, approximately 80-90% of patients meeting the criteria of at least moderate OSA remain undiagnosed.

Proxy-reported snoring is one of the most disturbing subjective complaints of OSA, but it also commonly occurs in individuals without OSA. Reportedly, it affects about 25% of women and almost 50% of men in the general adult population. The condition in itself is not life-threatening, but it is one of the most important risk factors for the development of OSA, especially when the snoring sounds are loud and occur frequently. Unfortunately, and unlike OSA, snoring has not been studied extensively. Given the potential risk that is associated with snoring for the development of OSA, a better understanding of snoring is called for.

## **Study objective**

The characteristics of snoring sounds could be used to categorize different kinds of snoring sounds, and the treatment effect of OSA/snoring could be evaluated by measuring the characteristics of snoring sounds

## **Study design**

When patient first came to Department of Neurology/ Clinic Neurophysiology (sleep

laboratory), OLVG west, a specialist was available to consult with the patient about his/her sleep problem(s). If a whole-night polysomnography (PSG, snoring sounds recording and snoring questionnaire were embedded in PSG) was required to diagnose his/her sleep problem, a new appointment would be made for PSG and patients would wait for about two weeks for it.

All the data for primary outcome were collected during the appointment for PSG. Before the PSG, patients would complete a snoring questionnaire. After that, whole-night PSG and snoring sounds recording were performed. After recording, the results of PSG and snoring sounds recording would be analyzed by R, a programming software, in which all the parameters of snoring sounds would be extracted automatically using our programmed codes. This detailed and comprehensive description of snoring sounds is the primary outcome.

For patients who received treatment (surgery, oral appliance, etc.) for OSA and/or snoring, after-treatment PSG was needed to evaluate the treatment effect. These patients were included for secondary outcome. Three months after treatment, an appointment was made for PSG, and that all the procedure and required data for secondary outcome were same with that for primary outcome. The data were also extracted using R. The before and after treatment snoring sounds parameters would be compared using SPSS, providing objective and quantified treatment effect.

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## Eligibility criteria

### **Inclusion criteria**

- People who are 18 years or older;

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- People who underwent sleep recording at sleep laboratory because of possible sleep disorders.

## Exclusion criteria

- People who object to the use of their data.

## 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

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	01-09-2019
Enrollment:	1000
Type:	Anticipated

### IPD sharing statement

**Plan to share IPD:** No

## Ethics review

Not applicable	
Application type:	Not applicable

## 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	NL8398
Other	ACWO OLVG : WO 19.079

## Study results