Early Nutrition Study.

No registrations found.

Ethical review Positive opinion **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON24223

Source

NTR

Brief title

ENS (Early Nutrition Study)

Health condition

Prematurity; donor milk; very low birth weight infant; late onset sepsis; necrotizing enterocolitis: infant formula: breast milk

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: VU Medical Center, Amsterdam, the Netherlands **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Mead Johnson Nutrition

Intervention

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Incidence of the combined outcome of serious late-onset infections (sepsis/ meningitis and NEC) and/ or death occurring between age 72 hours and 60 days.

- 1. Early Supplementation study Amendment (applicable in St. Radboud UMC Nijmegen (RUNMC) en VUmc Amsterdam)
- Primary Outcome: bone mineral content (BMC) and body composition measured by DXA

- 2. Adrenocortical function amendment (applicable in VUmc)
- Primary Outcome: Urinary cortisol metabolites at days 10 and 30.
- 3. Body Composition amendment (applicable in VUmc and AMC Amsterdam)
- Primary Outcome: Body composition (body fat%, fat-free mass, lean mass, fat mass, fat-free mass index, fat mass index) and growth at 1, 2 and 5 years of age.

Secondary outcome

- 1. Composition of fecalmicrobiota of the first stool and at day 10, 1 month and during regular follow-up at 2 years of age is determined;
- 2. Time to full enteral feeding, defined as an enteral intake greater than or equal to 120 mL per kg per day;
- 3. Days on parenteral nutrition (lipids or amino acids);
- 4. Growth rate (body weight, length and head circumference) will be recorded weekly during NICU admission as part of routine care. SDS scores will be calculated;
- 5. Bone density by ultra sound (only in centres where this is recorded as part of routine care) weekly during NICU admission.

At 2 years of age:

- 1. Bayley Scores of Infant Development III, which are assessed as part of routine care during standard follow-up at 2 years of age;
- 2. Growth rate (weight, length and head circumference), which are assessed as part of routine care during standard follow-up at 2 years of age.
- 1. Early Supplementation study Amendment (applicable in St. Radboud UMC Nijmegen (RUNMC) en VUmc Amsterdam)
- Secondary Outcomes: ultrasound 'sound of speed' (SOS) measurements, incidence of feeding intolerance and nephrocalcinosis, time to full enteral feeding and calcium and phosphate homeostasis.
- 2. Adrenocortical function amendment (applicable in VUmc)
- Secondary Outcome: Urinary cortisol metabolites at 2 years of age.
- 3. Body Composition amendment (applicable in VUmc and AMC Amsterdam)
- Secondary Outcomes: timepoint of introduction en type of complementary feeding and development of allergic diseases.

Study description

Background summary

Rationale:

Lack of enteral nutrition results in intestinal atrophy potentially causing increased bacterial translocation, thereby making VLBW infants more prone to sepsis. According to current feeding protocols in NICU's, minimal enteral feeding is initiated within 6 hours after birth. After premature delivery the onset of lactation is often delayed and therefore VLBW infants are often being fed with preterm formula during the first few days of life. Feeding VLBW infants with own mother's milk is to be preferred because it reduces the incidence of sepsis and NEC. When own mother's milk is not available during this period, donor milk might be of benefit to these infants when compared to formula. We hypothesize that feeding VLBW infants with a diet that is completely based on human milk during the first 10 days of life will result in a decrease in the incidence of serious infections, necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC), and neonatal mortality.

Objective:

To determine whether (supplemental) human donor milk has beneficial effects (in terms of reduction of infectious episodes and mortality) when compared to (supplemental) preterm formula during the first 10 days of life in VLBW infants.

Study design:

Double blind randomized controlled trial.

Study population:

VLBW infants admitted to one of the participating centers.

Intervention:

If own mother's milk is not available in sufficient amounts, the intervention group (group A) will receive additional donor milk and the control group (group B) will receive additional standard preterm formula. Donor milk and formula therefore serve as 'add-on' therapy to

own mother's milk.

Main study parameters/endpoints:

Main endpoint: Combined incidence of serious infections/NEC and death.

Secondary endpoints: Composition of fecal microbiota, time to full enteral feeding, days on TPN, growth rate, bone density. Bayley Scores of Infant Development III (at 2 years of age), growth rate (at 2 years of age).

28-jun-2014: Three amendments were added (MEC approval for all):

- 1. Early Supplementation study Amendment (applicable in St. Radboud UMC Nijmegen (RUNMC) en VUmc Amsterdam)
- Rationale: Preterm born infants miss out on active fetal mineralization in utero during
- 2. Adrenocortical function amendment (applicable in VUmc)
- Rationale: There is a male disadvantage in neonatal mortality, and in acute and chronic conditions after very preterm birth, which could be partially counteracted by nutritional strategies. We speculate that variation in the adrenocortical function underlie these sexspecific observations
- 3. Body Composition amendment (applicable in VUmc and AMC Amsterdam)
- Rationale: It is likely that the pattern of body composition in preterm infants is in part a consequence of the nutrition they receive during the first period of life. From term infants it is known that throughout the first year of life, formula fed infants have lower fat mass compared to breast fed infants with a switch at 12 months of age. It is possible that this trend continues in later life. We hypothesize that feeding VLBW infants with a diet that is completely based on human milk during the first period of life will result in a lower fat percentage in later life.

Study objective

We hypothesize that feeding VLBW infants with a diet that is completely based on human milk during the first 10 days of life will result in a decrease in the incidence of serious infections, necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC), and neonatal mortality.

Study design

N/A

Intervention

Infants in group A will receive banked donor milk in case their own mother's milk falls short. Infants in group B will receive preterm formula currently in use if their own mother's milk falls short. Infants will receive the study diets until they are 10 days of age. After the intervention

period infants will receive the standard feeding regimen, that is (if available) milk of the own mother's + breast milk fortifier or otherwise preterm formula.

- 1. Early Supplementation study Amendment (applicable in St. Radboud UMC Nijmegen (RUNMC) en VUmc Amsterdam)
- Intervention: Infants born at RUNMC are randomized to either participate in the Early the third trimester and are therefore at risk of reduced bone mineral content (BMC), which may lead to disease in later life. Minerals are administered parentally and via breast milk fortifier. However, fear for nephrocalcinosis and feeding intolerance makes clinicians prudent to administer breast milk fortifier from birth onwards, which may lead to osteopenia. It is currently unknown what is the most optimal timing, amount and route to supply minerals to preterm infants.

Nutrition Study (and therefore receive late mineral supplementation) or to receive early (day of life 4-5) mineral supplementation according to the standard feeding protocol at the RUNMC.

- 2. Adrenocortical function amendment (applicable in VUmc)
- Intervention: original ENS intervention
- 3. Body Composition amendment (applicable in VUmc and AMC Amsterdam)
- Intervention: original ENS intervention

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Eligibility criteria

Inclusion criteria

- 1. Birth weight < 1500 gram;
- 2. Written informed consent.

Exclusion criteria

- 1. Child of mother that abused drugs and/or alcohol during pregnancy;
- 2. Major congenital anomalies or birth defects;
- 3. Congenital infection, defined as: Early Onset Sepsis or suspected TORCHES infection;
- 4. Perinatal asphyxia with (umbilical or first neonatal) pH < 7.0;
- 5. Intake of any cow's milk based products prior to randomization.

Study design

Design

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Active

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 01-02-2012

Enrollment: 396

Type: Anticipated

IPD sharing statement

Plan to share IPD: Undecided

Ethics review

Positive opinion

Date: 05-01-2012

Application type: First submission

Study registrations

Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

ID: 39540

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

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

No registrations found.

In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL3077 NTR-old NTR3225

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Study results

Summary results

n/a