# Spinal cord stimulation for treating neuropathic pain after chemotherapy / radiotherapy; a pilot study.

No registrations found.

Ethical review	Not applicable
Status	Pending
Health condition type	-
Study type	Interventional

# **Summary**

### ID

NL-OMON25222

Source NTR

Brief title SCS002p

Health condition

neuropathic post-cancer pain,

### **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Medisch Spectrum Twente Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Medisch Spectrum Twente

#### Intervention

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Change in neuropathic pain as measured by VAS score after 6 months of SCS.

#### Secondary outcome

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An evaluation of the efficacy of SCS Treatment in patients with post cancer neuropathic pain as measured by change in pain intensity at all visits, and an evaluation of other health outcome measures.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Several publications have shown that post-cancer neuropathic pain is a common and disabling side effect of chemotherapy and radiotherapy and yet medical treatment of this pain remains largely ineffective. A pilot study to assess the effect of SCS in post-cancer neuropathic pain will be relevant. This study is an open, prospective, pilot study. 11 patients with refractory neuropathic pain caused by chemotherapy / radiotherapy will be included. They should be eligible for spinal cord stimulation and have VAS scores for pain > 5. All patients will have a trial stimulation period with an external SCS pulse generator. If the trial is successful ( > 50% pain reduction) an SCS system will be implanted. Evaluation visits (to acquire pain scores and other health outcome measures) will occur at 1, 3 and 6 months after implantation. Primary outcome measure is the change in neuropathic pain as measured by VAS score after 6 months of SCS. After completion of the 6 months study treatment period, all patients will be followed in accordance with standard medical care.

#### **Study objective**

To demonstrate that SCS is capable of treating otherwise refractory neuropathic pain after chemotherapy / radiotherapy.

#### Study design

Evaluation visits (to acquire pain scores and other health outcome measures) will occur at 1, 3 and 6 months after implantation.

After completion of the 6 months study treatment period, all patients will be followed in accordance with standard medical care.

#### Intervention

All patients will have a trial stimulation period with an external SCS pulse generator. If the trial is successful ( > 50% pain reduction) an SCS system will be implanted. After 1, 3 and 6 months of SCS the patients have follow up visits where pain scores and other health outcome measures are acquired.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

1. Peripheral neuropathic pain in lower extremities that exists for more than 6 months and is due to chemotherapy or radiotherapy;

2. Patient cannot be treated further otherwise according to patients' medical specialist;

3. Physiotherapy and/or manual therapy, lumbar sympathetic ganglion and/or RIS-blocks and/or oral medication give insufficient pain relief or unacceptable side-effects;

4. The pain-sensation on a visual analogue scale is 5 or more (recording both for day and night time).

## **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Age < 18 years;
- 2. Psychological problems that requires treatment;
- 3. Addiction (i.e. compulsory) to: drugs, alcohol, medication;
- 4. Insufficient cooperation by patient (motivation, insight or communication);
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- 5. Coagulation irregularities/ Anti-coagulants;
- 6. Immune compromised;
- 7. Life expectancy less than 1 year;
- 8. Pregnancy;
- 9. Local infection at the site of the incision;
- 10. Implanted pacemaker, ICD or other neuromodulation system.

# Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Non controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	N/A , unknown

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	01-01-2012
Enrollment:	11
Туре:	Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Not applicable Application type:

Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

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

ID: 47554 Bron: ToetsingOnline Titel:

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

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL3055
NTR-old	NTR3203
ССМО	NL37975.044.11
ISRCTN	ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd.
OMON	NL-OMON47554

# **Study results**

# Summary results N/A