# The role of microbiome in urea cycle defect disorders

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

**Study type** Observational non invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON25258

**Source** 

NTR

**Brief title** 

**UCD** 

#### **Health condition**

UCD; Urea cycle defect; ureumcyclusdefect; PKU; Pheylketonuria; fenylketonurie; microbiome; microbioom; gut bacteria; darmbacterien

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor: AMC** 

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ESN (erfelijke stofwisselingsziekten

Nederlands taalgebied).

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

differences in the abundance of bacterial strains between healthy volunteers and UCD patients and between PKU and UCD patients

#### **Secondary outcome**

differences in the abundance of ammonia producing bacterial strains (e.g. Clostridium species) between healthy volunteers and UCD patients and between PKU and UCD patients

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Urea cycle disorders (UCDs) are a group of rare inherited metabolic diseases causing hyperammonemic encephalopathy. Despite intensive dietary and pharmacological therapy, outcome is poor in subset of UCD patients. Because of very low protein tolerance, UCD patients follow a strict low protein diet. Both the composition of the diet, as well as the amino acid supplementation these patients use could change gut microbial composition, with a potential negative effect on metabolic control.

#### Hypothesis:

In urea cycle defect patients the protein-restricted diet, in combination with essential amino acid supplementation, results in a different gut microbial composition compared to healthy individuals on a normal diet. Selection of ammonia producing bacteria can negatively influence metabolic regulation in UCD patients.

#### Objective:

To detect differences between microbiome composition of UCD patients, healthy controls and phenylketonuria (PKU) patients. PKU patients are included to differentiate between the effect of a low protein diet and the UCD itself on microbial composition)

## **Study objective**

In urea cycle defect patients the protein-restricted diet, in combination with essential amino acid supplementation, results in a different gut microbial composition compared to healthy individuals on a normal diet. Selection of ammonia producing bacteria can negatively influence metabolic regulation in UCD patients

#### Study design

single measurement

#### Intervention

one day food diary

and a one time stool (feces) sample

## **Contacts**

#### **Public**

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# **Eligibility criteria**

## **Inclusion criteria**

Patients:

- age 18 years and over.
- confirmed diagnosis of a urea cycle defect or phenylketonuria (enzymatic or mutation analysis and amino acid spectrum)
- -treatment with a low protein diet (natural protein intake 0.8 gram/kg/day or lower) and the use of amino acid supplements

Healthy subjects:

-age 18 and over.

## **Exclusion criteria**

Patients:

-known non-adherence to the diet

- -known incompliance with taking the amino acid supplements
- -use of antibiotics three months prior to sample collection
- -other severe conditions that may influence gut microbiome composition (e.g. liver cirrhosis, renal failure, inflammatory bowel disease)

#### Healthy subjects:

- -illnesses known to influence microbiome composition (e.g. liver disease, bowel disease, diarrhea)
- -medication use known to influence microbiome

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Non controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: N/A, unknown

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-03-2017

Enrollment: 45

Type: Anticipated

## **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 NL6106 NTR-old NTR6447

Other NL61031 : ABR nummer

# **Study results**