# The FECAL trial, Fecal therapy to Eliminate Clostridium difficile Associated Longstanding diarrhoea.

No registrations found.

Ethical review Positive opinion

**Status** Recruiting

Health condition type -

**Study type** Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON25892

**Source** 

NTR

**Brief title** 

the FECAL trial

#### **Health condition**

- 1. Clostridium difficile;
- 2. Recurrent (NLD: recidiverend);
- 3. antibiotic associated diarrhoea:
- 4. diarrhoea (NLD: diarree);
- 5. feces (NLD: ontlasting);
- 6. transplantation (NLD: transplantatie).

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academic Medical Center Amsterdam

the Netherlands

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ZonMW

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Diarrhoea and Clostridium difficile toxin in stool after 10 weeks.

#### **Secondary outcome**

- 1. Diarrhoea and Clostridium difficile toxin in stool after five weeks;
- 2. Costs;
- 3. Quality of life;
- 4. Inflammatory markers.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Recurrent Clostridium difficile associated diarrhoea is an emerging problem in Hospitals and Nursing Homes throughout the western world. Clostridium difficile associated diarrhoea is thought to recur due to persisting spores and bacteria in the intestine on the one hand, and a long term disturbance of intestinal homeostasis on the other. Restoring the intestinal flora with feces from a healthy donor is believed to be effective in the prevention of recurrences. This trial is performed in which infusion of donor feces through a duodenal tube is compared with conventional antibiotic therapy, or antibiotic therapy with bowel lavage.

Endpoints are diarrhoea and Clostridium toxin in stool after 10 weeks (primary) and after 5 weeks, as well as inflammatory markers, cost and quality of life. Follow up is 10 weeks.

### Study objective

Hypothesis: An important factor in recurrence of Clostridium difficile associated diarrhoea is persistent disturbance of intestinal flora. With restoration of flora by feces from a healthy donor future recurrences can be prevented.

#### Study design

Day 1, 5, 7, 14, 21, 28, 35, 42, 49, 56, 63, 70.

#### Intervention

Arm 1: vancomycin 500 mg qid, 14 days;

Arm 2: vancomycin 500 mg qid, 14 days, with a bowel lavage with kleanprep on the fourth day;

Arm 3: vancomycin 500 mg qid 4 days, followed by a bowel lavage, followed by infusion of donor feces through a nasoduodenal tube on the fifth day.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

## **Inclusion criteria**

1. Patient 18 years or older;

- 2. proven recurrence of Clostridium difficile associated diarrhoea (positive toxin test and diarrhoea defined as more than 3 loose or watery stools per day or >8 in 48 hours);
- 3. In previous episodes of Clostridium difficile associated diarrhoea at least one proper course of antibiotic therapy. (at least vancomycin 125 mg qid for 10 days or metronidazole 500 mg tid for 10 days).

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Pregnancy;
- 2. life expectancy of less than three months;
- 3. expected longlasting immunecompromised state (CD4<240, cytotoxic chemotherapy);
- 4. Prednisolon (>20 mg a day) expected to be prescibed for more than 30 days;
- 5. Need for continuous use of antibiotic other than for treatment of Clostridium difficile infection.

# Study design

# **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Single blinded (masking used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2008

Enrollment: 120

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 14-01-2008

Application type: First submission

# **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 NL1135 NTR-old NTR1177

Other :

ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd

# **Study results**

#### **Summary results**

N/A