# QUality of life and Economic evaluation after neuroSTimulation for Epilepsy

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

**Study type** Observational non invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON26320

**Source** 

NTR

**Brief title** 

**QUESTE** 

**Health condition** 

**Epilepsy** 

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Maastricht University Medical Center

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Not applicable

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Disease specific quality of life

#### **Secondary outcome**

General quality of life, seizure frequency, care use, productivity

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# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological disorders and is characterised by seizures. Epilepsy is associated with a decrease in quality of life. The standard treatment for epilepsy is the use of anti-epileptic drugs. In around 40% of patients these drugs do not achieve adequate results, which makes these patients refractory epilepsy patients. Refractory epilepsy patients are considered for resective epilepsy surgery, an intended curative treatment where the epileptical focus in the brain is surgically removed. If resective surgery is not possible or did not work, the use of neuromodulation (DBS or VNS) can be considered. Where resective surgery is aimed to result in a 100% seizure reduction, prior research shows that DBS leads to an average seizure reduction of 56% after two years and VNS leads to an average seizure reduction of 30,9% after 14 weeks. In order to look at the cost-effectiveness of ANT DBS and VNS for refractory epilepsy patients, it is valuable to look at how quality of life in these patients changes after their treatment.

#### Study objective

Hypothesis 1: Refractory epilepsy patients will report a significant increase in quality of life, one and two years after ANT DBS or VNS treatment.

Hypothesis 2: Refractory epilepsy patients will report a significant seizure frequency reduction and a significant seizure severity reduction, one and two years after ANT DBS or VNS treatment.

Hypothesis 3: Refractory epilepsy patients will report a significant decrease in the amount of care use, one and two years after ANT DBS or VNS.

Hypothesis 4: Refractory epilepsy patients will report a significant increase in productivity, one and two years after ANT DBS or VNS treatment.

Hypothesis 5: Refractory epilepsy patients who choose to replace their stimulators battery, will report a significant higher quality of life compared to patients who choose to not replace their stimulators battery.

#### Study design

Baseline, 6 months, 12 months, 24 months, 60 months

#### Intervention

QOLIE-31, EQ-5D-5L standard version and proxy version 2, iMCQ (iMTA Medical Costs Questionnaire), iPCQ (iMTA Productivity Costs Questionnaire), IDQOL-16

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# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

Medically refractory epilepsy patients indicated for ANT DBS or VNS from january 2021 until january 2026 that will take place in Maastricht UMC+, Amsterdam UMC (location AMC) and Medisch Spectrum Twente.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

Patients without a Dutch language proficiency or with a total IQ score lower than 50.

# 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): 04-01-2021

Enrollment: 100

Type: Anticipated

## **IPD** sharing statement

Plan to share IPD: Undecided

## **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 NL9033

Other METC MUMC+ : 2020-2439

# **Study results**