# Cost-effectiveness of IUI, IVF and ICSI for male subfertility. The MAle Subfertility Therapy Effectiveness Rcts.

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON27063

Source

Nationaal Trial Register

**Brief title** 

MASTER study

**Health condition** 

ICSI, IVF, male subfertility (mannelijke subfertiliteit), cost-effectiveness (kosteneffectiviteit)

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academic Medical Center (AMC)

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ZON-MW, The Netherlands Organization for

Health Research and Development

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary outcome is establishment of ongoing pregnancy leading to live birth within the treatment time horizon.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Time to pregnancy, miscarriage, multiple pregnancy and live birth rate are secondary outcomes. Further secondary outcomes are neonatal mortality, pregnancy complications (preterm birth < 37 weeks, birth weight < 2.500 gram, PIH, (pre-) eclampsia, HELLP) costs of reproductive treatments, perinatal care and ad-verse events. Also patients' quality of life and preferences will serve as secondary outcomes.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Rationale:

We hypothesize that less invasive therapies are equally effective as more invasive therapies for male subfertility.

#### Objective:

In one third of subfertile couples male subfertility is diagnosed. Current treatments for male subfertility, IUI, IVF and ICSI, have, despite their widespread use, not been compared on their cost-effectiveness. The primary aim of this project is to assess the cost-effectiveness of therapies for male subfertility.

Study design:

ICSI versus IVF in severe male subfertility.

Study population:

Subfertile couples with male subfertility (pre-wash TMSC <3 million, post-wash >300.000).

Intervention:

3 cycles of ICSI, including transfer of cryopreserved embryos.

Control: 3 cycles of IVF, including transfer of cryopreserved embryos. Treatment time horizon 12 months.

Main study parameters/endpoints:

Primary: ongoing pregnancy leading to live birth.

Secondary: time to pregnancy, miscarriage, multiple pregnancy, live birth, perinatal outcome, (in-)direct costs, quality of life and patient preferences.

Nature and extent of the burden and risks associated with participation, benefit and group relatedness:

As we compare interventions that are already applied in current practice, no additional risks or burdens are expected from the study.

#### Study objective

To evaluate the cost-effectiveness of therapies for male subfertility.

#### Study design

Primary and secondary outcomes within 12 months after randomisation. Questionnaires at one day, two months, four months and six months after randomization.

#### Intervention

3 cycles of ICSI, including transfer of cryopreserved embryos vs 3 cycles of IVF, including transfer of cryopreserved embryos.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

1. Age female partner: 18-38 years;

2. Failure to conceive: 12-36 months;

3. Male subfertility: Pre-wash TMSC <3-10.10<sup>6</sup>, Post-wash TMSC >300.000.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

1. Severe male subfertility: Pre-wash TMSC < 300.000;

2. Female partner with polycystic ovary syndrome or any other anovulation, severe endometriosis, double-sided tubal pathology, endocrinopathological disease (Cushing syndrome, adrenal hyperplasia, hyperprolactinemia, acromegaly, imminent ovarian failure, premature ovarian failure, hypothalamic amenorrhea and diabetes mellitus (type I).

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-06-2013

Enrollment: 380

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 NL3635 NTR-old NTR3823

Other ZonMW: 837002003

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# **Study results**

#### **Summary results**

N/A