

# Cerebrovascular reserve and white matter disease in patients with chronic anemia

No registrations found.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Positive opinion
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON27211

### Source

Nationaal Trial Register

### Brief title

IMPROVE

### Health condition

Sickle Cell Disease, Thalassemia

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** AMC

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** No funding

## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

relationship between CVR, CB, and vascular/inflammatory markers

Co-localization of white matter damage and regions of low CVR

Global and regional response of CVR to simple transfusions, exchange transfusions and

hydroxyurea.

## Secondary outcome

Relationship between neurocognitive performance and white matter damage

Sex differences in baseline CVR and response to interventions

Relationship between haemoglobin genotype and CVR

## Study description

### Background summary

Low haemoglobin levels raise resting cerebral blood flow (CBF) and leave patients with inadequate cerebrovascular reserve (CVR). As a result, impaired CVR represents the strongest risk factor for white matter injury, volume loss, and stroke. The main goal of this project is to identify CVR predictors including CBF, age, sex and vascular stressors in anaemic and control subject using several MRI techniques. While anaemia is correlated with other cerebrovascular risk factors in the general population (hypertension, kidney disease, chronic inflammation, heart failure), we assume that anaemia, by decreasing CVR, created and increased vulnerability to white matter damage in patients with Sickle Cell Disease (SCD). Through the use of simple and exchange transfusions in selected patients with SCD and thalassemia, we will study the relative importance of haemoglobin S% and total haemoglobin level on regional CVR. We will identify other modifiable risk factors (iron overload, vascular inflammation) that may impair CVR. By comparing CVR and white matter damage across a broad spectrum of SCD and thalassemia syndromes, we will be able to separate the damaging effects of haemolytic anaemias in general from damage specific to sickle haemoglobin.

### Study objective

relationship between CVR, CB, and vascular/inflammatory markers

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### Study design

2 MRIs

### Intervention

Blood draw, Neurocognitive tests, infusion placed. ECG leads or pulse unit placed, 15 minutes structural MRI, 15 min Functional MRI pre-ACZ, administration of ACZ, 15 min ASL assesses

time course, 15 min functional MRI post ACZ.

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## Eligibility criteria

### **Inclusion criteria**

Patient group:

Sickle cell disease,

Thalassemia major, thalassemia intermedia, and HbH disease

18 years of age or older

Informed consent

Control Group:

Either AS or AA haemoglobin

18 years of age or older

Informed consent

### **Exclusion criteria**

Patient group:

Hospitalization in the past month for any reason

Inability of the patient to provide informed consent

Contraindications for MRI, such as claustrophobia or the presence of metal in the body

Sickle cell crisis at the moment of participation up to one month prior to participation

History of cerebral pathology that compromised measurements, such as cerebral palsy, brain tumour, meningitis, overt infarct

Brain surgery performed in the last 3 months

ACZ contraindications

Severe liver, heart or renal dysfunction (clearance <10 mL/min)

Allergy to sulphonamide

Pregnant or breastfeeding

Use of phenytoin, procaine or acetylsalicylic acid

Risk of hypokalaemia

Addison's disease

Severe asthma or emphysema

Control Group:

Any known chronic illness that may compromise subject safety or data integrity.

Vascular risk factors

Hypercholesterolemia

Contraindications for MRI

Contraindications for ACZ

Developmental delay, stroke, seizure disorder, or neurological conditions other than simple migraine

inability to cooperate with MRI examinations

Diabetes

Uncontrolled hypertension or history of hypertension

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Factorial
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	15-08-2018
Enrollment:	140
Type:	Anticipated

## IPD sharing statement

**Plan to share IPD:** No

## Ethics review

Positive opinion

Date: 20-03-2019

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	NL7620
Other	METC AMC : METC 2018_215

## Study results