

# Fatigability in SMA: validity and reproducibility of tests.

No registrations found.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Not applicable
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON29501

### Source

Nationaal Trial Register

### Health condition

SMA  
Spinal Muscular Atrophy  
Fatigability

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** University Medical Center Utrecht

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Stichting Spieren voor Spieren

## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

- 1) Reproducibility of fatigability tests (reliability (ICC) , measurement error (ME)
  - 2) Construct Validity
- content validity between fatigability tests, perceived fatigue and peripheral muscle fatigue:  
Pearson/Spearman Correlation Coefficient

- convergent validity between fatigability tests (endurance time and delta muscle strength values) and nerve conduction study (delta compound muscle action potential) : Pearson/Spearman Correlation Coefficient
- convergent validity between fatigability tests (endurance time and delta muscle strength values), perceived fatigue (Borg scores and fatigue questionnaires) and peripheral muscle fatigue (EMG registration; Root Mean Square amplitude muscles arms/legs/respiratory)
- discriminative validity between fatigability tests SMA patients, healthy control group and patient controle group: Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

## **Secondary outcome**

Feasibility parameters

- measurement completion
- acceptability
- perceived burden

## **Study description**

### **Background summary**

The objective of this study is to develop reproducible and valid outcome measures for fatigability in patients with Spinal Muscular Atrophy. Recently, our research group demonstrated dysfunction of the neuromuscular junction in 50% of SMA-patients. The association between neuromuscular junction dysfunction and fatigability in SMA patients remains unclear. The psychometric properties of two newly developed fatigability tests will be investigated in SMA patients and healthy and patient control groups and the association between fatigability and neuromuscular function dysfunction in SMA patients will be studied. The development of appropriate outcome measures for fatigability will give more insight in fatigability and the role of the neuromuscular junction in SMA patients and will contribute to the design of pharmaceutical and physical interventions to decrease fatigability and improve physical functioning.

### **Study objective**

- 1) The Motor Fatigability Test is a reproducible and valid outcome measure for fatigability of the skeletal muscles in patients with SMA
- 2) The Respiratory Fatigability Test is a reproducible and valid outcome measure for fatigability of the respiratory muscles in patients with SMA

3) Fatigability in SMA patients is associated with neuromuscular junction dysfunction

### **Study design**

June 2014 – November 2015: selection of subjects and obtaining informed consent

July 2014 – December 2015: testing subjects

December 2014 – December 2015: Analyses

January 2015 – June 2016: final data analysis and writing of manuscripts.

### **Intervention**

Psychometric study on validity and reproducibility of fatigability tests

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## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

1) Subjects with SMA

- Genetically confirmed diagnosis of SMA type 2 or type 3 or type 4

- Ability to follow test instructions

- Parental informed consent/Informed consent

- Age 8-50 years

2) Patient control group (matched on clinical status)

- Genetically confirmed diagnosis of (neuro-) muscular disease, no signs of neuromuscular dysfunction

- Ability to follow test instructions

- Parental informed consent/ Informed consent

- Age 8-50 years

3) Healthy control group (age and gender matched)

- Sufficient understanding of Dutch

- Ability to follow test instructions

- Parental informed consent/ Informed consent

- Age 8-50 years

## Exclusion criteria

All subjects:

Concomitant medical problems that might intervene with the outcomes of the testing

## Study design

### Design

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	N/A , unknown

## Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	01-06-2014
Enrollment:	150
Type:	Anticipated

## Ethics review

Not applicable	
Application type:	Not applicable

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

ID: 44457  
Bron: ToetsingOnline  
Titel:

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL4436
NTR-old	NTR4558
CCMO	NL48715.041.14
OMON	NL-OMON44457

## Study results