

# "Is a simultaneous intervention of triamcinolon injections with standardized isometric exercises more effective compared to the usual care according to the NHG standard in patients with shoulder complaints. A prospective, singel blind, randomized clinical trial."

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON29758

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Investigation of the efficacy of shoulder injections

### Condition

- Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

**Synonym**

"impingement subacromial" "tendinitis"

**Research involving**

Human

**Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Ministerie van OC&W

**Intervention**

**Keyword:** "triamcinolon injections" "NHG standard" "exercises" "efficacy"

**Outcome measures****Primary outcome**

The primary outcome is the change in pain in rest, during activities or during the night of the last 24 hours, between baseline and 78 weeks.

**Secondary outcome**

Change compared to the baselien assessments of:

- DASH questionnaire,
- SF36 questionnaire,
- Analgetica use,
- Participant rated improvement,
- Range of Motion measurements,
- Painful-Arc,
- complications of injections.

**Study description****Background summary**

In the Netherlands the main part of the patients with shoulder complaints are treated by their general practitioner.

The NHG-standard of 1999 advises two-weekly injections with triamcinolonacetonide subacromial or intra-articulair, dependent of the physical examination of the patient. So far only short-term efficacy of injections with triamcinolonacetonide has been proven by clinical studies. However, so far the long-term efficacy remains unknown. A possible explanation could be that in these studies the treatment period was shorter than 6 weeks, and the protocol never exceeded more than three injection.

## **Study objective**

Therefore the aim of the present study is whether a simultaneous intervention with (maximal 5) corticosteroiden/lidocaine injections and exercises for the cuff muscles (both according a standard protocol), have better results than a sequential intervention of first (maximal 3) corticosteroiden/lidocaine injections followed after 6 weeks by exercises (usual care, according to NHG standard) in a group of patients with shoulder complaints.

## **Study design**

In total 205 patients will be recruited of a GPs population of 20,000 patients. Patients will be concealed randomized into 2 groups, group A a simultaneous intervention in which the patients will be injected with a combination of lidocaine and 1 ml Kenacort A40 and at the same time exercises; and group B in which the patient will be injected with a combination of lidocaine and 1 ml Kenacort A40 and after six weeks according to the NHG-standard with exercises.

## **Intervention**

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## **Study burden and risks**

none

## **Contacts**

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Those patients with shoulder complaints consulting their GP with complaints also during the night, and presence of painful-arc and restricted range of motion.

### Exclusion criteria

not signed informed consent form, age under 18 or above 70 year, treatment (exercises or corticosteroid injections) of shoulder complaints during the last 6 months, insufficient command of the Dutch language, spoken and/or written.

## Study design

## Design

Study phase:	4
Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Single blinded (masking used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Treatment

## Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	15-09-2007
Enrollment:	205
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	13-12-2006
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

## 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
CCMO	NL12459.078.06