Epidural analgesia versus Remifentanil PCA during labour

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labor.

Ethical review Approved WMO **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type Pregnancy, labour, delivery and postpartum conditions

Study type Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON31070

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

OER-study

Condition

• Pregnancy, labour, delivery and postpartum conditions

Synonym

labor pain control, pain during birth

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Sint Lucas Andreas Ziekenhuis

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

Intervention

Keyword: Epidural, Labor, Pain, Remifentanil

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Patients' satisfaction

Secondary outcome

Outcome of the infant, APGAR.

Vacuum or forceps deliveries

Study description

Background summary

In the Netherlands analgesia during labor consists of Pethidin im or epidural analgesia. Both methods have their side effects. Pethidin has a half life of 3-4 hours and can be quite sedative and can cause impaired thinking with hallucinations. Especially the respiratoiry depression may be a threat to the infant. With the introduction of the Remifentanil PCA on our OBGY ward we, as in the current literature, experience less opiod side effects as seen with Pethidin. Remifentanil has a half life of only a few minutes. Therefore, we hypothise that remifentanil is an attractive replacer of Pethidin, and in addition, a competitive treatment of epidural analgesia. Introducing epidural analgesia on the ward often causes a delay since an anesthesiologist is required. Moreover, patients are restricted to bed, somethimes describe the feeling of not being part of the labor process and increased risk for vacuum or forceps delivery and unexplained fever.

Study objective

To compare Remifentanil PCA with epidural anesthesia among healthy nulligravidia during labor.

Study design

Two groups of healthy nulligravida, the study group with Remifentanil PCA, and the control group with epidural anesthesia are compared.

Intervention

The study group receives a Remifantanil PCA, which will be connected to the IV

line. The control group receives a standard epidural procedure for catheter placement.

Study burden and risks

Both methods of analgesia are applied methods of analgesia during labor. There are no expected increased risks associated.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

nulligravida without serious systemic disease

in partu, less than 6cm dilatation healthy in labour

Exclusion criteria

American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) >2 (pre)eclampsia
HELLP syndrome
serious diabetic gravidarum
infection
placenta praevia
psychiatric disorder

Study design

Design

Study phase: 3

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 03-03-2008

Enrollment: 246

Type: Actual

Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Ultiva

Generic name: remifentanil

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 15-10-2007

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum (Amsterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 06-02-2008

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum (Amsterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 16-09-2010
Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum (Amsterdam)

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

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