# Serum storage of patients with neuropsychiatric systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)

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To collect and store a serum sample of each patient that is referred to the Leiden University Medical Centre for evaluation of neuropsychiatric symptoms in SLE.

**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Will not start

Health condition type Autoimmune disorders
Study type Observational non invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON31369

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

Serum storage of patients with neuropsychiatric SLE

#### **Condition**

Autoimmune disorders

#### Synonym

Lupus, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum

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

#### Intervention

Keyword: neuropsychiatric, serum, SLE

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Not applicable

#### **Secondary outcome**

Not applicable

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) is an autoimmune disease characterized by the presence of autoantibodies. Up to 80 percent of patients with SLE develop neurological or psychiatric symptoms. These symptoms can be the consequence of primary SLE involvement of the brain (primary NPSLE), be the consequence of secondary, SLE-related causes such as side effects of drugs or infections (secondary NPSLE) or have no relation with SLE. Symptoms are diverse and there is no gold standard to diagnose NPSLE, it is still a clinical diagnosis "per exclusionem". Pathogenesis in primary NPSLE is largely unclear, but autoantibodies and a breach in the integrity of the blood-brain-barrier seem to play a role.

The department of Rheumatolgy of the Leiden University Medical Centre is a tertiary referral centre for patients with neuropsychiatric symptoms in SLE. In September 2007, a specialized outpatient clinic for neuropsychiatric SLE will start in the LUMC. In a multidisciplinary setting, patients referred from other hospitals with possible NPSLE, will be evaluated in one day via the Ambulant Department of Rheumatology (Sole Mio), by a neurologist, psychiatrist, vascular internist and rheumatologist. They will undergo neuropsychological testing, MRI scan of the brain (including quantitative MRI) and laboratory tests. After 2 weeks a multidisciplinary meeting is organized and patients visit the outpatient clinic to discuss the results.

Data of all NPSLE patients (clinical, laboratory and radiological) will be registered in a database to be able to describe this population in the future. To enable future research, serum will be stored.

## Study objective

To collect and store a serum sample of each patient that is referred to the Leiden University Medical Centre for evaluation of neuropsychiatric symptoms in SLE.

## Study design

After informed consent, one bloodsample (10 ml) is drawn by a nurse of the Ambulant Department of Rheumatology (Sole Mio) during routine blood collection neccessary for the evaluation of neuropsychiatric SLE. No additional punction is needed.

Serum samples are coded and stored at -70° in the laboratory of the department of Rheumatology, Leiden University Medical Centre. Serum samples will be stored during 15 years.

## 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**

Systemic Lupus Erythematosus neuropsychiatric symptoms

## **Exclusion criteria**

no SLE no neuropsychiatric symptoms

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Other

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Will not start

Enrollment: 50

Type: Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

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

CCMO NL18844.058.07