

# Translational research to study the role of regulatory cells in allergy early in life and the induction of regulatory cells in cord blood

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Allergic conditions
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON31515

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Regulatory T cells in cord blood

### Condition

- Allergic conditions

### Synonym

allergy, atopic disease

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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

## **Intervention**

**Keyword:** allergy, cord blood, heat shock protein, regulatory t cells

## **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

Main study parameters/endpoints: Cytokine production profile, character of immune cells of full term newborns and functionality of naturally occurring regulatory T cells as well as induced regulatory T cells.

### **Secondary outcome**

not applicable.

## **Study description**

### **Background summary**

Rationale: According to the hygiene hypothesis, the increase in the prevalence of allergic disorders in the past decades is due to a reduced microbial burden in childhood in westernized countries. In other immune diseases it has been shown that regulatory T cells play an important role in controlling the disease. Our group has shown that regulatory T cells can be induced with heat shock proteins (HSP). It can be hypothesized that in allergic disease the regulatory T cells are insufficient in number or in function at birth and that the immune status can be positively influenced by inducing these Tregs.

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### **Study design**

Study design: In vitro study with immune cells isolated from cord blood.

## Study burden and risks

Nature and extent of the burden and risks associated with participation, benefit and group relatedness: Risks and burden for subjects are considered negligible.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

full term newborns

high risk: (inhalation or food) allergic pregnant woman

low risk: (inhalation or food) allergy not present with pregnant woman, nor with the to be father or the to be brothers and sisters (now or earlier in life)

## Exclusion criteria

gebruik van immuun modulerende medicatie tijdens de zwangerschap  
roken tijdens de zwangerschap

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Prevention

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 27-05-2008

Enrollment: 20

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 29-05-2007

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

Date: 21-08-2007

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

Date: 07-10-2008

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

## 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	NL16498.041.07