

# Cerebral hypoperfusion in familial amyloid polyneuropathy

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	Other condition
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON31535

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

FAP-PET

### Condition

- Other condition
- Central nervous system vascular disorders

### Synonym

familial amyloid polyneuropathy, Systemic amyloidosis

### Health condition

systemisch amyloïdose

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Onderzoeksbudget afdeling Neurologie;UMCG

## Intervention

**Keyword:** cerebral perfusion, familiar amyloid polyneuropathy, positron emission tomography

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Cerebral perfusion and metabolism measured with water-PET en FDG-PET.

### Secondary outcome

Not applicable.

## Study description

### Background summary

Familiair amyloid polyneuropathy(FAP) is a form of systemic amyloïdosis, in which a broad diversity of organs is affected by accumulation of amyloidfibrils. One of the most important clinical manifestations of FAP is a combined sensory and motor polyneuropathy. In some patients with FAP cognitive disorders, thought to be due to accumulation of amyloidfibrils in the vesselwall. However, a MRI of metabolic PET-scan does not show pathological changes.

In a similar fashion accumulation of amyloidfibrils is found in the vesselwall of patients with Alzheimer's disease. Perfusion and metabolic positron emission tomography has shown a decreased perfusion and metabolism in the parietotemporal cortex. The hypotheses of another scientific research in Alzheimer's disease, conducted at the UMCG, is that the perfusion deficits run ahead of metabolic changes.

Therefore, it is hypothesized that pathological changes of the vesselwall lead to diminished perfusion and in turn to decreased metabolism in FAP patients with cognitive disorders.

### Study objective

The goal of this study is to investigate the possible pathophysiology of cognitive disorders in patients with familiar amyloid polyneuropathy (FAP). Hypothesis: Familial amyloid polyneuropathy patients with mild cognitive disorders show decreased cerebral perfusion, especially in the parietotemporal cortex, compared to patients without cognitive disorders.

## **Study design**

After signing the consent form patients with familiar amyloid polyneuropathy will be invited to the out-patient clinic of the department of Neurology (UMCG). At this visit a general physical and neurological examination together with cognitive screening tests will be performed.

On the day of the positron emission tomography, after venous cannulation of the patient, radio-active water will be given intravenously. The scan will take a mere 10 minutes. Together with the preparation in advance and once the scan is finished the PET investigation does not take longer than one hour of the patient's time.

The collected perfusion data will be compared to the perfusion data from a database with healthy volunteers. Furthermore, in the case where a FAP patient has already received a FDG-PET on clinical ground, a comparison between perfusion and metabolism will be made.

The data will be analyzed on voxel-level with the Statistical Parametric Mapping (SPM) and compared to the data of healthy volunteers.

## **Study burden and risks**

According to the international and national radiation criteria for patients the radiation dose for this study falls in the category 'mild risk' (BS2001, ICRP62).

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Patients with familiar amyloid polyneuropathy.

### Exclusion criteria

- prior stroke, contusion or other neurological or psychiatric condition which more probable to cause cognitive deficits
- prior exposure to radiation in the setting of scientific research
- pregnancy
- age <18years

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Observational invasive
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Pending  
Start date (anticipated): 01-03-2008  
Enrollment: 10  
Type: Anticipated

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

## 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	NL20491.042.08