# Measurement of cytokines after pressure application.

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# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON31763

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Measurement of cytokines after pressure application.

### **Condition**

- Diabetic complications
- Epidermal and dermal conditions

#### Synonym

Decubitus (bedsores), Neuropathische voetulcera (footsores)

#### Research involving

Human

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Ziekenhuis Maastricht

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

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** cytokines, pressure, Sebutape

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

The primary study parameters are the measured cytokine concentrations (pg/ml) (after pressure application to the skin).

# **Secondary outcome**

The secondary study parameter is the correlation between the time expired after ending the pressure application and the measured cytokine concentrations (pg/ml).

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

- 1. Decubitus is a common disorder which causes a lot of harm and costs. There is a need of a non-invasive method for detecting patients at risk for developing decubitus. Pro-inflammatory cytokines that are released after mehanical loading are potentially markers for detecting patients at risk.
- 2. Foot ulcers are a feared complication of diabetes mellitus and occur mainly in polyneuropathy patients. We assume that in polyneuropathy patients the inflammatory response to external stimuli is decreased which predisposes to the development of ulcers and infections.
- 3. Charcot osteoarthropathy is a rare but very invalidating complication of (diabetic) polyneuropathy, often resulting in a deformed foot. We assume that an excessive inflammatory response, in which pro-inflammatory cytokines play a role, to exogenic stimuli is the underlying mechanism in the development of a acute Charcot foot.

# Study objective

The primary goal of this study is to obtain basal knowledge about cytokine concentration in healthy volunteers, after pressure application. In the future we wish to use this knowledge for developing a method for:

1. determining a patients risk of decubitus,

- 2. confirming the hypothesis that in polyneuropathy patients the inflammatory response to external stimuli is decreased.
- 3. confirming the hypothesis that the acute Charcot foot develops as a result of a excessive inflammatory response.

# Study design

Pilotstudy (n=12). The tests will take 2 aftertoons, each of 4,5 hours. During the first afternoon 100 mmHg of mechanical pressure will be applied to the skin of the arm of healthy volunteers for 2 hours using a an apparatus with an indenter that can apply standardized pressure. Afterwards cytokine measurements will be performed at 5 different times using Sebutapes which are applied to the area of pressure. On the second afternoon (about a week after the first afternoon) the non-dominant will be loaded for 1 hour with 200 mmHg. After that the dominant arm will be loaded with 100 mmHg.

## Study burden and risks

The vollunteers are not exposed tot real risks by cooperating in this study. Earlier studies have shown that the pressure we will apply causes no harm to the skin. Moreover, the mechanical pressure that will be applied does not exceed the pressure that we all are exposed to in our daily lives.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

age: 18-27

Body mass index within the range of 18-30 kg/m^2

# **Exclusion criteria**

Skin conditions like psoriasis or eczema

Diabetes mellitus

Cancer

Muscle disorders

Upper extremity fractures

Alcohol or drug abuse

Gravidity

Change of weight of more than 4 kg within the last 4 weeks

# Study design

# **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

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Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2008

Enrollment: 12

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 10-12-2007

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit

Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

Approved WMO

Date: 29-04-2008
Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit

Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

# **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

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