

The value of diffusion-weighted MR imaging and biomarkers in cerebrospinal fluid in acute spinal cord injury as predictors of outcome.

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Recruitment stopped
Health condition type	Spinal cord and nerve root disorders
Study type	Observational invasive

Summary

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NL-OMON31829

Source

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Brief title

SPinal cord Diagnostic Improvements (SPIDI) study

Condition

- Spinal cord and nerve root disorders

Synonym

spinal cord injury, traumatic myelopathy

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Universitair Medisch Centrum Sint Radboud

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for Paraplegiologie (Zurich Zwitterland)

Intervention

Keyword: biomarkers, CSF, MR-DWI, Spinal cord injury

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

1 Size of the lesion (hemorrhage, edema, contusion) in the spinal cord measured in millimetres using MRI

2 Size of the lesion (hemorrhage, edema, contusion) in the spinal cord measured in millimetres using DWI

3 The values of Apparent Diffusion Coefficients (ADC) in the lesion and in normal spinal cord in $10^{-3} \text{ mm}^2/\text{s}$ measured using DWI

4 The concentrations of Neuron Specific Enolase, Glial Fibrillary Acidic Protein, S-100 β , Neurofilament Protein, Tau and Myelin Basic Protein in CSF in patients with SCI.

5 Evaluation of the ASIA classification system and SCIM of all patients at different times

Secondary outcome

is not applicable

Study description

Background summary

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) is still the technique of choice for the evaluation of spinal cord injury (SCI). MRI however has limited success as a prognostic tool.

Diffusion-weighted MRI (DWI) has been proposed as a method to evaluate the

integrity of microstructural changes in the spinal cord. Besides spinal cord imaging there is a method for the assesment of spinal cord injury using biomarkers in cerebrospinal fluid (CSF).

Study objective

The purpose of the this study is to evaluate the prognostic capabilities of DWI and biomarkers in CSF in patients with SCI.

Study design

In this prospective cohort study the data are collected of all patients with SCI. The following descriptive data are collected: mechanism of injury, clinical data and radiological findings using conventional radiographs and computed tomography.

Within 24 hour after the initial trauma all patients with SCI recieve a MRI and a DWI examination.

Within 72 hours after the initial trauma all patients with SCI will be operated on the cervical and/or thoracic spinal cord.

During this operation a 3 ml CSF sample will be taken

Throughout the rehabilitation and during admission the SCIM (Spinal Cord Impairment Measurement) and the ASIA (American Spinal Injury Association) classification system will be evaluated. This will be evaluated until 12 months after the initial trauma.

Study burden and risks

The DWI examination will last 1-2 minutes. During this examination a minimum of one nurse will be present throughout the examination. Hemodynamic unstable patients will be accompanied by an anesthesiologist and/or traumatologist. The spinal puncture will be performed during the operation. Patients will be completely sedated. Therefore, the burden of this spinal puncture is restricted to a minimum.

It is the opinion of this research group that the possible advantages of DWI and biomarkers for future patients with SCI outweigh the minimal disadvantages of these diagnostic tests.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

closed spinal cord injury

associated neurologic deficit

primarily referred to UMC St. Radboud

Glasgow Coma Scale of 15

Exclusion criteria

penetrating spinal cord injury

normal neurologic examination

ischaemic spinal cord injury

traumatic brain injury

pre-existent neurological disorder

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2008

Enrollment: 10

Type: Anticipated

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Application type: First submission

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

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

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