

Effects of irradiation on hypoxia and proliferation in cervical cancer and their potential predictive value; a pilot study

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Pending
Health condition type	Reproductive neoplasms female malignant and unspecified
Study type	Observational invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON31899

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

Effects of irradiation on hypoxia and proliferation in cervical cancer

Condition

- Reproductive neoplasms female malignant and unspecified

Synonym

Cervical cancer

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Universitair Medisch Centrum Sint Radboud

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

Intervention

Keyword: cervical cancer, hypoxia, irradiation, proliferation

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

This study will look primary at the changes in expression of hypoxia and proliferation markers early in the treatment course of cervical cancer.

Secondary outcome

Not applicable

Study description

Background summary

Tumour hypoxia is an important variable in the treatment outcome (i.e. radiotherapy or systemic treatment) of cervical cancer. Hypoxia is related to a less favourable prognosis. Proliferation is a second important variable. Both variables are known prognostic factors in cervical cancer. Both radiotherapy and chemotherapy can influence the hypoxic and proliferative status of a tumour. Experimental studies have shown a reduction in expression of hypoxic markers (pimonidazole as exogenous marker) and proliferation markers with a single fraction dose of 20 Gy. Next to the reduction in proliferation was an increase in apoptosis visible. An altered expression pattern of hypoxia and proliferation may lead to a better predictive value than the expression pattern prior to treatment. To our knowledge this is the first clinical study to investigate this in cervical cancer.

Study objective

The objective is to determine if, and if so to what extent, there is a change in expression pattern for hypoxic and proliferative markers.

Study design

Patients who are treated with radiotherapy or radiotherapy combined with chemotherapy or hyperthermia will have a biopsy after pimonidazole administration after the fifth and tenth radiotherapy fraction. The biopsy will

take place at the outpatient gynaecology department.

Study burden and risks

Pimonidazole will be administered intravenously to patients after the fifth and tenth radiotherapy fraction. Pimonidazole is a validated marker for hypoxia and widely used in clinical research. No serious side effects are known with the administered dosage of maximal 1000 mg. Possible side effects during infusion are a slight flush or unwellbeing. After the administration of pimonidazole a biopsy will be taken of the tumour. This will take place at the outpatient gynaecology department if needed with the use of a local anesthetic.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

Histologically proven cervical cancer

Treatment must be radiotherapy or radiotherapy combined with chemotherapy/hyperthermia

Mentally capable of understanding the study

Age > 18

Participated in study 2006/172

Exclusion criteria

Bleeding disorders

pregnancy

former treatment for this tumour

not capable of understanding the study

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Other

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-09-2008

Enrollment: 15

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	ID
CCMO	NL23723.091.08