

# Potential overestimation of plasma non-esterified fatty acid levels (NEFA). The effect of in-vitro lipoprotein lipase inhibition with tetrahydrolipstatin on NEFA in heparinized patients undergoing percutaneous coronary interventions.

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To quantify the effect of THL on the laboratory analysis of NEFA in heparinized patients with AMI undergoing primary PCI

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

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON31946

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

NEFA concentrations during primary PCI for acute myocardial infarction.

### Condition

- Coronary artery disorders

### Synonym

coronary artery disease; increased lipid levels

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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## Intervention

**Keyword:** Heparin, NEFA, Primary PCI, Tetrahydrolipstatin

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The degree of difference between NEFA levels analyzed in the absence and presence of THL in the test tube during blood sampling

### Secondary outcome

LPL

APTT

## Study description

### Background summary

Dramatic increases in plasma non-esterified fatty acid levels (NEFA) have been reported in patients with acute myocardial infarction (AMI). This appears to be especially so when heparin is used, as in acute percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI). It has been suggested that very high NEFA levels are associated with inhibition of myocardial metabolic and mechanical function, especially following ischemia and reperfusion.

However, it has been demonstrated in healthy volunteers and in patients undergoing cardiac surgery that NEFA levels may be substantially overestimated (> 50%). This is probably caused by the occurrence of ongoing lipolysis in the test-tube (ex-vivo) due to the presence of high levels of lipoprotein lipase (LPL). Plasma levels of LPL are increased following intravenous administration of heparin. To prevent the ongoing lipolysis in the test tube, a blocker of LPL activity has been used. This is tetrahydrolipstatin (THL). To date, the use of such an LPL blocker in cardiac patients has not been described.

Therefore, we postulate that dramatic elevation of NEFA at early reperfusion during PCI (to values >> 1 mMol/L), is caused by overestimation. To test our

hypothesis, the present study is designed to quantify the impact of THL on the laboratory analysis of NEFA in non-diabetic and diabetic patients with ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), undergoing acute percutaneous coronary interventions (PCI).

### **Study objective**

To quantify the effect of THL on the laboratory analysis of NEFA in heparinized patients with AMI undergoing primary PCI

### **Study design**

Prospective, non-randomized comparison of two laboratory techniques.

### **Study burden and risks**

1. Three EXTRA venapunctures may be painful and may lead to hematoma.
2. 100 ml of EXTRA blood sampling for the study only (over a period of 28h) may lead to some drop in hemoglobin levels.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Non-diabetic and diabetic patients with acute myocardial infarction undergoing primary percutaneous coronary angioplasty

### Exclusion criteria

Participation in another clinical research study within 30 days of enrollment.

Hemoglobine level < 7 mmol/l prior to start of PCI procedure.

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-03-2008

Enrollment: 24

Type: Anticipated

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

## 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	NL21688.018.08