

# Evidence-based control of human *Chlamydomphila psittaci* infection

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Chlamydial infectious disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON32219

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Psittacosis control

## Condition

- Chlamydial infectious disorders

### Synonym

parot disease, pneumonia due to *C. psittaci*, psittacosis

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** GGD Kennemerland

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Zon-Mw

## Intervention

**Keyword:** community-acquired, pneumonia, public health, zoonosis

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The results of this study will allow evaluation of the current psittacosis disease control programme and will lead to improved, evidence based control of human infection with *C. psittaci* in The Netherlands.

### Secondary outcome

Results of our study will be made available to bird owners in an ongoing fashion.

## Study description

### Background summary

Avian influenza has enhanced interest in bird zoonosis and zoonotic disease control programmes. A well-known zoonosis is psittacosis which is an infection with *Chlamydochlamydia psittaci* that can lead to pneumonia in humans. So far, medical microbiology assays that have been used to diagnose patients with psittacosis have been poorly validated. The predictive value of a positive test is estimated to be 20%.

### Study objective

The aim of our study is to validate serology as well a PCR assay using culture as the gold standard.

### Study design

Patient materials will be tested in three specialised public health laboratories. A case-control study using a detailed questionnaire aimed at

quantification of bird contact will be performed by municipal health services in the provinces of Noord-Holland and Flevoland in order to identify risk factor for infection. As is routinely the case in The Netherlands, based on information from the municipal health services, the Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority will sample birds that are suspected sources of infection with *C. psittaci* and send specimen to the CDIC-Lelystad laboratory. CIDC will perform PCR on bird specimens, results of which guide preventive measures.

### **Study burden and risks**

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## **Contacts**

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Age**

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

## Inclusion criteria

Pneumonia, sputum production, bird contact

## Exclusion criteria

No sputum production, no bird contact, age under 18 years

## Study design

### Design

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

**Primary purpose:** Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	22-12-2008
Enrollment:	920
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	09-09-2008
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Noord-Holland (Alkmaar)

## 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	NL22180.094.08