

# Role of connective tissue growth factor in peritoneal fibrosis and encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Peritoneal and retroperitoneal conditions
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON32262

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

CTGF in peritoneal fibrosis

### Condition

- Peritoneal and retroperitoneal conditions
- Renal disorders (excl nephropathies)

### Synonym

encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis, peritoneal fibrosis

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Connective tissue growth factor, Encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis, Peritoneal dialysis, Peritoneal fibrosis

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The main study parameters are thickness of the peritoneal submesothelial compact zone, CTGF mRNA and protein expression in the peritoneum, and CTGF levels in plasma, urine, and peritoneal effluent.

### Secondary outcome

The secondary study parameters are the degree of vasculopathy in the peritoneum, TGF- $\beta$ 1 and VEGF mRNA and protein expression in the peritoneum, and TGF- $\beta$ 1 and VEGF levels in plasma, urine, and peritoneal effluent.

## Study description

### Background summary

Chronic treatment with peritoneal dialysis (PD) leads to alterations in the structure of the peritoneal membrane (peritoneal fibrosis). A severe form of peritoneal fibrosis is encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis (EPS) which has a high mortality rate. Transforming growth factor  $\beta$ 1 (TGF- $\beta$ 1) plays a central role in peritoneal fibrosis. However, TGF- $\beta$ 1 has several other useful functions. Therefore, direct inhibition of general TGF- $\beta$ 1 activity is not an attractive therapeutic option and it remains important to explore the role of additional growth factors.

### Study objective

Our primary objective is to investigate the role of connective tissue growth factor (CTGF, a downstream mediator of profibrotic TGF- $\beta$ 1 activity) in peritoneal fibrosis and EPS. We hypothesize that soluble levels of CTGF and CTGF expression in the peritoneum correlate with the degree and severity of peritoneal fibrosis.

## Study design

Cross-sectional.

## Study burden and risks

For this study we need one extra blood collection, urine collection, and a biopsy of the parietal peritoneum, which will be obtained during the operation. In patients who are treated by PD a peritoneal equilibration test will be performed. All procedures will be done during the admission for the kidney transplantation.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

Patients with ESRD who are about to undergo a kidney transplantation in the University Medical Centre Utrecht.

## Exclusion criteria

Patients who are unable to give informed consent.

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 26-10-2008

Enrollment: 44

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 02-09-2008

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC NedMec

## 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	NL23556.041.08