

# The predictive value of FDG-PET-CT early during (chemo-)radiotherapy for local control of advanced stage head and neck cancer

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Miscellaneous and site unspecified neoplasms malignant and unspecified
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON32415

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

PETPRED study

### Condition

- Miscellaneous and site unspecified neoplasms malignant and unspecified

### Synonym

head and neck cancer, head and neck squamous cell carcinoma

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** head and neck cancer, positron emission tomography, prediction of outcome, radiotherapy

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Diagnostic accuracy of FDG-PET-CT applied 2 weeks after the start of primary radiotherapy (with or without chemotherapy) for resectable HNSCC to predict local failure in the primary and cervical node metastases.

### Secondary outcome

- \* FDG uptake level pretreatment
- \* Residual FDG uptake level after 14 days of therapy
- \* Change of FDG uptake

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## Study description

### Background summary

The last decade, radiotherapy with or without chemotherapy has been an upcoming organ sparing treatment modality for functional inoperable head and neck squamous cell carcinoma (HNSCC) to retain the best quality of life. An early identification of nonresponders to (chemo)radiation would refrain a substantial number of patients from the morbidity and costs of a futile extensive treatment, the complications of salvage surgery and may improve survival due to the remaining option of postoperative radiotherapy.

### Study objective

To determine the diagnostic accuracy of FDG-PET-CT (pre-treatment and in the early phase of treatment) in the prediction of local control after primary radiotherapy with or without chemotherapy for functionally inoperable HNSCC.

## **Study design**

Prospective, single institute observational study of 20 consecutive patients.

## **Study burden and risks**

In current clinical practice these patients undergo PET-CT pretreatment. In this protocol these patients will undergo one PET-CT extra (in the early phase of treatment) due to the study. Radiation exposure due to repeated PET-CT scanning (11 mSv) is negligible compared to the radiation therapy of these patients.

These patients have no benefit of the extra PET-CT, as this PET-CT is not reviewed until the end of the study. In the future patients may benefit from PET during treatment in stopping futile (low chance to cure) (chemo)radiation and switch to surgical treatment with still some adjuvant radiotherapy available.

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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 resectable advanced (stage III and IV) HNSCC scheduled for primary non-surgical treatment (radiotherapy with or without chemotherapy) with curative intent.

### Exclusion criteria

technically inoperable tumor

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 24-01-2008

Enrollment: 20

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 12-12-2007

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	NL20124.029.07