# Effect of weight reduction on gastroesophageal reflux in obese subjects

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**Ethical review** Not approved **Status** Will not start

Health condition type Gastrointestinal motility and defaecation conditions

**Study type** Observational invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON32499

Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

**Brief title** 

Reflux and Obesity

#### **Condition**

Gastrointestinal motility and defaecation conditions

#### **Synonym**

GERD, reflux

#### 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:** GERD, impedance, manometry, obesity

### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

The change in reflux symptoms and objective measurements of gastroesophageal reflux (time pH < 4, number of reflux episodes) before and after 10% weight loss.

## **Secondary outcome**

- Basal LES pressure
- Incidence of TLESR's
- Number of acid and non-acid ('weakly acidic') reflux episodes
- Symptom Association Probability
- Diary Report

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

A high body mass index (BMI) has been shown to be associated with an elevated risk of gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD). A specific dose-relationship between increasing BMI and the prevalence of GERD has been demonstrated. Weight loss, along with other life style advice, is often recommended as part of the first-line management of gastroesophageal reflux. However, the beneficial effect of weight reduction has not been demonstrated unequivocally.

## **Study objective**

The primary aim of this study is to assess the effect of weight loss in obese subjects, brought about by non-surgical methods, on all types of gastroesophageal reflux (gaseous, liquid and mixed, acid and nonacid), as measured by ambulatory pH/impedance monitoring.

The secondary aim of the study is to investigate the effect of weight reduction

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on reflux symptoms and on the mechanisms underlying reflux.

## Study design

In a prospective study the subjects will undergo two assessments to investigate the severity of their gastroesophageal reflux, reflux symptoms and the mechanisms underlying reflux, once before the start of a weight reduction program and once after a weight loss of at least 10% of their initial weight.

## Study burden and risks

Participation in the study implies that the patient has to travel to the UMC Utrecht. At the start of the study and after a weight loss of 10% their gastroesophageal reflux will be assessed with 3-hour stationary esophageal manometry 24 hour pH-metry. The risk associated with these procedures is nil. Careful assessment of reflux might lead to more appropriate therapy than otherwise offered.

## **Contacts**

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3508 GA Utrecht

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

### Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

- Men and women > 18 years of age
- BMI > 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Medication that affects the motility of the upper gastrointestinal tract (anti-cholinergic drugs, theophylline, calcium blocking agents, opioids)
- Severe concomitant disease
- Extended abdominal surgery in the past
- Present motility disorders

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Will not start

Enrollment: 50

Type: Anticipated

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: manometer

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

## **Ethics review**

Not approved

Date: 29-07-2008

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

# **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 NL24064.041.08