Genetic background of Löfgren's Syndrome

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Ethical reviewApproved WMOStatusRecruitment stoppedHealth condition typeImmune disorders NECStudy typeObservational invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON33149

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief titleLOFGREN

Condition

- Immune disorders NEC
- Respiratory disorders NEC

Synonym

Acute sarcoidosis, Besnier-Boeck-Schaumann

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Sint Antonius Ziekenhuis

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

Intervention

Keyword: acute sarcoidosis, löfgren's syndrome, sarcoid arthritis, sarcoidosis

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

To investigate an association between the genetics and the susceptibility to Löfgren*s syndrome, DNA analysis will be done. For the genomic DNA extraction whole blood will be used. When a genetic predisposition is found, in vitro proliferation and cytokine production assays will be performed to investigate the functional effects.

Secondary outcome

Our secondary objective is to investigate the blood analysis, pulmonary function tests and radioscopic examination to distinguish between the patients having a good and a bad prognosis. And to find parameters that could have predicting value about the course and outcome of the disease.

Study description

Background summary

Löfgren*s syndrome is an acute and usually self-remitting phenotype of sarcoidosis. Recent works indicate specific genetic background, infectious transmission and exposure to environmental agents as main causes of sarcoidosis. One could hypothesize that genetically predisposed hosts who are exposed to certain environmental triggers are likely to develop the disease.

Study objective

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Study design

An observational study

Study burden and risks

The patients will only come for one visit, and during this visit the anamnesis will be taken, physical examination, pulmonary function test, radioscopic examination and drawing blood will be done.

The risks of drawing blood from a vein are minimal.

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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 diagnosed with Löfgren*s syndrome.
- Löfgren*s syndrome is defined according to the latest ATS/ERS/WASOG statement as presenting the clinical features, i.e.:
- o Acute symptoms like fever
- o Bilateral hilar lymphadenopath on chest radiograph
- o Erythema nodosum and/or joint symptoms (marked periarticular inflammation or arthritis of the ankles)
- Capability of giving informed consent

Exclusion criteria

patients with:

- Non-Löfgren sarcoidosis
- Other granulomatous diseases

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): 22-06-2009

Enrollment: 300

Type: Actual

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 16-04-2009

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

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

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