# The persisting effect of episodic exercise training in patients with chronic heart failure.

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Determine the prolonged effect of a 12 week physical exercise program in congestive heart failure patients.

Ethical review	Not approved
Status	Will not start
Health condition type	Heart failures
Study type	Interventional

# Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON33578

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** Exercise training in CHF patients/ PEP-HEART

## Condition

• Heart failures

**Synonym** Chronic heart failure

**Research involving** Human

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Onze Lieve Vrouwe Gasthuis **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Ministerie van OC&W

#### Intervention

Keyword: exercise, heartfailure, inflammation

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Improvement of the functional capacity and to determine the prolonged effects

of this intervention.

#### Secondary outcome

Secundairy endpoints are:

Serum levels of NT-proBNP

serum levels of CRP

Quality of live (assessed with MLHFQ)

Glycocalyx thickness measured with SDF.

Left ventricular ejection fraction

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Physical exercise has been shown to improve the functional capacity and the quality of life in patients with congestive heart failure. Currently it is unknown if physical exercise therapy has a prolonged beneficial effect in these patients. However, to implement physical exercise therapy as a treatment modality in the clinical care of congestive heart failure patients it is crucial to establish if there is a prolonged effect of this intervention. If so, exercise therapy would probably be feasible and cost-effective.

#### **Study objective**

Determine the prolonged effect of a 12 week physical exercise program in

congestive heart failure patients.

#### Study design

an open randomized prospective clinical trial.

#### Intervention

12 week physiotherapist guided exercise program

#### Study burden and risks

Patinets randomised to the exercise group will follow an intensive exercise program of 12 weeks, with 2 sessions a week for 90 minutes

Addiotional patients will visit the outpatient clinic of the OLVG for 4 times for the following investigations:

venapuncture Quality of life assessment physical examination cardiac ultrasound SDF measurement Sic minute walking test

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# **Trial sites**

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## **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### **Inclusion criteria**

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\* Symptomatic systolic heart failure (documented clinical signs and symptoms of heart failure) documented for more than 3 months.

\* Left ventricular ejection fraction (EF) less than 40% estimated by 2D echocardiography.

\* New York Heart Association (NYHA) class: II and III.

\* Age between 18- 80 years

\* Clinically stable with regard to symptoms and optimal medical therapy for more than 2 weeks prior to inclusion.

## **Exclusion criteria**

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- \* Orthopedic, peripheral vascular or neurological disease limiting the ability to exercise
- \* Documented exercise-induced ischemia
- \* Documented exercise-induced ventricular tachycardia
- \* Poorly controlled cardiac arrhythmias
- \* Significant chronic pulmonary disease limiting the ability to exercise
- \* Uncontrolled hypertension

\* Abnormal blood pressure response to exercise testing (systolic blood pressure >250 mmHg or diastolic blood pressure >120 mmHg.) Or blood pressure drop of > 20mmHg during baseline exercise test.

- \* Major anemia
- \* Aortic valve stenose
- \* Co morbidity that contraindicate exercise
- \* Terminal disease
- \* Patients who can\*t speak/understand or read the Dutch language

# Study design

## Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Primary purpose: Treatment	

#### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Will not start
Enrollment:	135
Туре:	Anticipated

## Medical products/devices used

Product type:	Medicine
Brand name:	crestor
Generic name:	rosuvastatine
Registration:	Yes - NL intended use

# **Ethics review**

Not approved	
Date:	02-06-2009
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

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No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
EudraCT	EUCTR2009-010476-22-NL
ССМО	NL21370.100.09