# Pathogenesis, diagnostics and complications of uveitis in childhood.

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Anterior eye structural change, deposit and degeneration

**Study type** Observational invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON33636

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Uveitis in childhood

#### Condition

- Anterior eye structural change, deposit and degeneration
- Autoimmune disorders

#### Synonym

inflammation of the uvea, intraocular inflammation

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht

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#### Intervention

**Keyword:** aqueous humor, child, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, uveitis

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

- 1. Protein profiles in the aqueous humor of children with non-infectious uveitis.
- 2. Cells of the immune system in tissue fragments of iris and ciliary body of children with uveitis.
- 3. Endothelial cell density (endothelial cell loss) in children with a glaucoma implant (tube) for secondary glaucoma due to uveitis.

#### **Secondary outcome**

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# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Specific knowledge about cause and treatment of uveitis in childhood is for the present inadequately available in literature since uveitis in childhood is rare.

#### Study objective

First, to develop a diagnostic method for non-infectious uveitis in childhood. Second, to analyze iris and ciliary body tissues of children with uveitis on the presents of inflammatory infiltrate. The results of this study will contribute in the diagnostics of uveitis in childhood and in clarifying the pathogenesis of uveitis in childhood.

Third, to determine the long-term effect of glaucoma valve (tube) implantation on corneal endothelial cells in children with uveitis. The results of this study shall contribute to the better management of secundary glaucoma due to uveitis by children.

#### Study design

We will analyze the relation between protein profiles in the aqueous humor and the type of uveitis. Furthermore, tissue fragments of the iris and ciliary body of children with uveitis, who are operated on for secondary glaucoma, will be analyzed on the presence of inflammatory infiltrates. The tissue characteristics will be related to the cause of the intraocular inflammation and visual prognosis.

As third part of the study we will investigate and evaluate the long-term effects of glaucoma valve (tube) implantation in children with uveitis. The endothelial cell density will be prospectively evaluated by making of endothelial pictures once a year in children with a glaucoma implant and in a control group children with uveitis without the hystory of an eye opearation.

#### Study burden and risks

The treatment and therapy of the patients remains unchanged. Material will only be collected during a therapeutically necessary glaucoma or cataract surgery. Aqueous humor and possibly tissue fragments, which otherwise would be lost during surgery, will be collected. The cataract or glaucoma surgery will remain unchanged. When the child is under general anesthesia a venous punction (10ml) under sterile circumstances will be performed. The patient will not notice anything due to the anesthetics. The endothelial cell density will be measured once a year during 3 years in children with uveitis and a history of glaucoma surgery and children with uveitis without the hystory of glaucoma and eye opearation. Endothelial cell density measurement is painless and non-invasive. It takes about 5 minutes a time. During the measurement the child sits on a chair with his/ her chin on the chin-rest and looks at a green point. The device makes the picture of a corneal endothelial cells. This device does not make use of light or sound wich could scare a child.

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adolescents (12-15 years) Adolescents (16-17 years) Children (2-11 years)

## **Inclusion criteria**

Uveitis diagnosed before the age of 16 years and cataract or glaucoma surgery

#### **Exclusion criteria**

uveitis diagnosed after the age of 16 years

# Study design

## Design

Study type: Observational invasive

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

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Control: Active

Primary purpose: Basic science

#### Recruitment

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Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 05-03-2009

Enrollment: 110

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 10-02-2009

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 NL25561.041.08