

# A prospective explorative cross sectional clinical study to investigate the neurocognitive effects of human Immunodeficiency virus and the influence of highly active anti retroviral (HAART) therapy on CSF viral replication and biomarkers for neurodegeneration in HIV infected patients on chronic therapy with HAART

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Viral infectious disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON33642

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Neurona-light

## Condition

- Viral infectious disorders
- Neurological disorders NEC

### Synonym

Neuro-HIV

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Sint Radboud

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** CNS- effects, HIV, HIV-treatment

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

HIVRNA in CSF

Drug levels, proteins and biomarkers for neurodegeneration in CSF

### Secondary outcome

neuropsychological abnormalities

abnormalities in MRI of the brain

## Study description

### Background summary

Treatment with ART leads to partial recovery of immunity and delay of disease progression in the majority of HIV infected patients. However there are concerns that, despite effective suppression in peripheral blood, HIV replication continues in sanctuary sites. The central nervous system is one of the important sanctuary sites for HIV, and therefore HIV may have many neurological manifestations. Persistent viral replication in the CNS and

continuous exposure to viral protein may induce cerebral damage at long term. Limited penetration of antiretroviral drugs into the CNS is considered one of the main reasons for persistent viral replication. In this study it will be investigated whether the different HAART regimes used in the UMC St Radboud suppress HIVRNA replication in CSF effectively. Secondary objectives of this study are to investigate the development of HIV resistance in the CSF, whether sufficient (above IC50) drug levels in the CSF can be reached and whether neurocognitive impairment and changes in CSF biomarkers for neurodegeneration appear during treatment.

### **Study objective**

- 1 To investigate the influence of HAART on CSF viral load, development of HIV resistance, neurotransmitters and biomarkers for neurodegeneration
- 2 To explore the neurocognitive effects of HIV infection and its treatment
- 3 To investigate the relationship between CSF drug levels and neurocognitive effects and CSF HIV RNA

### **Study design**

In a group of 40 HIV seropositive patients on HAART therapy the following tests will be done:

- CSF puncture for determination of HIVRNA, drug levels, proteins and biomarkers for neurodegeneration
- neuropsychological tests
- MRI of the brain
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### **Study burden and risks**

pain and discomfort during and after the CSF puncture

## **Contacts**

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

- HIV-seropositive 18-65 years
- On HAART therapy

### Exclusion criteria

- Active opportunistic infection
- Active psychiatric disorder for which treatment is indicated
- Malignancy
- Neurosyphilis
- Drug addiction
- Excessive (> 2 U/d) use of alcohol

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped  
Start date (anticipated): 02-04-2009  
Enrollment: 40  
Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Registration: No

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Date: 01-04-2009  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

## 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	NL25009.091.09