

# Efficacy of a novel experimental antibody in a humanized mouse model of psoriasis

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Autoimmune disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON34037

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Monoclonal antibodies in psoriasis

### Condition

- Autoimmune disorders
- Epidermal and dermal conditions

### Synonym

flaking disease, psoriasis

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Boehringer Ingelheim

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** farmaceutisch bedrijf

## Intervention

**Keyword:** compound, mouse, pre-clinical, psoriasis

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The effect of treatment on the psoriatic process is tested by histological and immuno-histochemical techniques in the transplanted biopsies. The main read-out is epidermal thickness.

### Secondary outcome

Serum markers in blood of transplanted mice will be studied together with markers on cultured cells from psoriasis patients.

Markers of inflammation in serum or RNA isolated from blood cells and in the skin.

## Study description

### Background summary

Psoriasis is a highly prevalent disease with great impact on the quality of life of the patients. Current treatments are far from ideal. The development of new compounds requires validation in an animal model, however, many differences exist between the skin of most animals and humans.

The department Biosciences at TNO has acquired expertise in the past year in transplanting human psoriasis skin onto a mouse. Thereby, we are able to perform pre-clinical testing of compounds for psoriasis. Non-laesional skin is transplanted onto a mouse and after engraftment injection with autologous T-cells synchronizes the psoriatic process.

Scientific background information can be read in Appendix 3. Since the study involves pre-clinical testing, patients will not experience a direct benefit from participation.

### Study objective

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psoriasis in the humanized mouse model will be investigated.  
This experimental compound will be compared with 2 registered drugs, i.e. Humira en Stelara.

## **Study design**

A pharmaceutical company has asked TNO to test a potential new therapy for psoriasis in our humanized mouse model of psoriasis.

Besides animal welfare approval, we also need medical ethical clearance for obtaining skin biopsies and blood from psoriasis patients.

The skin will be transplanted onto mice after which autologous T-cells (isolated from the blood of patients) will be injected into the graft to synchronize development of psoriasis. As indicated in the study protocol (Appendix 1), 4 skin punch biopsies will be obtained from non-lesional skin along with 50 cc of blood.

## **Study burden and risks**

TNO has arranged insurance for the patients participating in this study. However, medical risks are very low. A week after obtaining skin and blood samples, the stitches will be removed at the research center (PT&R) and a check will take place. With the consent of the patient, the medical practitioner of each patient will be notified about the participation.

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## **Trial sites**

## Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

Psoriasis patients: Adults (m/f) with a mild form of psoriasis vulgaris (PASI score of maximal 6). Patients are allowed to use local corticosteroids or ointments to prevent dry skin (see Appendix 2).

## Exclusion criteria

Psoriasis patients: These patients have not received light therapy or another form of systemic treatment (methotrexate, cyclosporin A, anti-TNF treatments). Gender or age of the adults are not considered as exclusion criteria (see Appendix 2).

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Other

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 14-02-2011

Enrollment: 24

Type:

Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 12-01-2011

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Brabant (Tilburg)

## 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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