# **Putting resistance under the microscope**

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Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Other condition **Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

### ID

NL-OMON34255

Source

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** 

WOL

### **Condition**

Other condition

#### **Synonym**

patients resistance, perioperative resistance

### **Health condition**

De weerstand van de patiënt t.o.v. de operatie

### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Ministerie van OC&W

### Intervention

**Keyword:** lorazepam, recovery, resistance, surgery

### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

Quality of recovery, aggression, anxiety, fatigue, depression symptoms.

### **Secondary outcome**

pharmacogenetic background lorazepam

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

Almost all patients, who undergo a surgery, shrink from the surgery (also called resistance). Resistance expressess itself in anxiety, depression symptoms, aggression, fatigue and somatic symptoms. Determinants; demografic, medical, psychological and genetic features; of resistance can affect the expression of patients resistance.

At this moment it is not standardized to give anxiolytic premedication before day-case-surgery. 19% of day-case-surgery patients want something to reduce preoperative anxiety. We want to design a decision model to answer the question which patients are vulnerable and/of have benefit from receiving preoperative lorazepam.

### **Study objective**

### Main objective

Lorazepam is frequently used as an anaesthesiological premedication before surgery in order to reduce patients resistance. Does lorazepam also improve the quality of recovery in patients scheduled for day-case-surgery?

### Secondary objective

Developping a prognostic model, which tells us which patients are vulnerable and/of need (lorazepam as) premedication before surgery.

## Study design

Randomised Controlled Trial, parallel group, double blind, placebo, controlled

### Intervention

One group receives once 1-1.5 mg lorazepam before surgery, depending on body weight. The other group receives once placebo (NaCl) before surgery.

## Study burden and risks

Once one blood sample of 10 ml (not extra invasive). Patients have to fill in some not intimidating questionnaires at 4 different moments. This will be about 40 minutes to fill in, scattered over a period of 7 working days.

## **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

age >= 18 years, day-case surgery patients

## **Exclusion criteria**

Patients with the following features: mental retardation, language barrier.

Patients who undergo the following interventions: surgery of the eye, MDL surgery, ESWL treatment, chronic pain relief treatment.

Patients who take psychofarmaca.

Contra-indications for lorazepam use, like Myasthenia Gravis and liver disease, will be excluded too.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study phase: 4

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Placebo

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 05-10-2010

Enrollment: 400

Type: Actual

# Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Ativan

Generic name: Lorazepam

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 21-06-2010

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

(Rotterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 23-08-2010

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

(Rotterdam)

# **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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