

# Usefulness of a combined NLR - CA-125 marker (NLR x CA-125) in the prediction of OHSS in IVF / ICSI patients

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

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON34985

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Combined NLR - CA-125 marker (NLR x CA-125) in IVF / ICSI patients.

### Condition

- Reproductive tract disorders NEC

### Synonym

ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome in IVF patients

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Sint Franciscus Gasthuis

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** via het Sint Franciscus Gasthuis;Rotterdam

## Intervention

**Keyword:** CA-125, IVF, NLR, OHSS

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Occurrence of OHSS after IVF/ICSI

### Secondary outcome

Clinical pregnancy

## Study description

### Background summary

Recently, Cho et al. (1) described the validity of the combination of the neutrophil/lymphocyte ratio (NLR) and the serum CA-125 concentration as a diagnostic marker for endometriosis and ovarian tumors, both malignant and benign. In patients with a benign ovarian tumor a significantly higher NLR was found, compared with controls (2.31 versus 1.99).

During IVF / ICSI, serum CA-125 concentrations rise and higher CA-125 levels are related to higher clinical pregnancy rates (2).

Ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome (OHSS) is a serious and relatively common complication of IVF/ICSI. Early detection of OHSS after IVF/ICSI is essential for the wellbeing of the patient and for the chances of a successful pregnancy. Both NLR and CA-125 are increased in IVF/ICSI patients with and without OHSS. However, NLR and CA-125 levels are substantially higher in OHSS patients compared with IVF/ICSI patients without OHSS (pilot study Sint Franciscus Gasthuis). Determination of the combined NLR and CA-125 concentration might predict OHSS. Especially differences in the early phase of the IVF/ICSI treatment could have clinical value. Therefore, NLR and CA-125 concentrations are measured at the time of oocyte pickup (OPU) and in the midluteal phase.

1) Cho, S., Cho, H., Nam, A., Kim, H.Y., Choi, Y.S., Park, K.H., Cho, D.J. and Lee, B.S. Neutrophil-to-lymphocyte ratio as an adjunct to CA-125 for the diagnosis of endometriosis. *Fertility and Sterility* 2009; 90: 2073-2079.

2) Baalbergen A, Janssen JW, van der Weiden RMF. CA-125 levels are related to the likelihood of pregnancy after in vitro fertilization and embryo transfer. *Am J Reprod Immunol* 2000; 43: 21-24.

A recent study showed that the neutrophil/lymfocyt ratio (NLR) combined with the CA-125 serum concentration is a diagnostic marker for endometriosis. This study also showed that patients with a benign ovarian tumor had significantly elevated NLR (2.31) compared with healthy controls (1.99). To study the prognostic value of the CA-125 serum concentration combined with the NLR in the chance to get pregnant, we must study the NLR in patients with OHSS first. Because it is already known from recent studies that the NLR is significantly higher in patients with a benign ovarian tumor, as well as the CA-125 serum concentration (1).

1) Cho, S., Cho, H., Nam, A., Kim, H.Y., Choi, Y.S., Park, K.H., Cho, D.J. and Lee, B.S. Neutrophil-to-lymphocyte ratio as an adjunct to CA-125 for the diagnosis of endometriosis. Fertility and Sterility, Vol. 90, No. 6, December 2008.

## **Study objective**

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## **Study design**

Venous serum samples are taken during IVF/ICSI treatment:

- 1) after insertion of the intravenous line for analgesia prior to OPU (no extra venapuncture).
- 2) in the midluteal phase (one week after OPU).

Laboratory tests:

- CA-125
- Leucocyte differentiation (NLR)
- CRP
- Ht
- Estradiol

Serum amples are stored at - 70 Celsius.

## **Study burden and risks**

Risk associated with an extra venapuncture.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

patients wishing to conceive with IVF/ICSI

### Exclusion criteria

Patients with endometriosis

## Study design

## Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 01-09-2011

Enrollment: 110

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 20-10-2010

Application type: First submission

Review commission: TWOR: Toetsingscommissie Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Rotterdam e.o. (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**

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**ID**

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