

# A comparison study of Dutch and Norwegian Myasthenia Gravis patients: epidemiological and clinical aspects.

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

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON35739

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

FIGHT-MG

### Condition

- Neuromuscular disorders

### Synonym

muscle disease, serious muscle weakness

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Europeese Unie;FP7 programma project nummer 242210

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Epidemiology, Myasthenia Gravis, Quality of life, questionnaire

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Main study parameters/endpoints:

Primary endpoint: Comparison of potential predisposing and modifying factors between Dutch and Norwegian MG patients.

### Secondary outcome

Secondary endpoint: Comparison of demography, quality of life and differences in medical treatment between Dutch MG patients and Norwegian MG patients

## Study description

### Background summary

Myasthenia Gravis or the Lambert-Eaton myasthenic syndrome are an acquired chronic autoimmune neuromuscular disorders. The pathogenesis of Myasthenia Gravis is unclear and deserves further investigation. Prevailing theories are involving complex immunogenetic, environmental and hormonal agents. Epidemiological studies of Myasthenia gravis patients across Europe involving a large number of patients will improve the knowledge of clinical, psycho-social and environmental factors affecting the course of MG.

### Study objective

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### Study design

Study design: cross sectional cohort study

Methods: By means of a self- administered questionnaire (E-MG questionnaire) and SF-36.

### **Study burden and risks**

Nature and extent of the burden and risks associated with participation is considered minimal (one questionnaire has to be filled in). There are no direct benefits for the participant, but with this information we hope to optimize the diagnostics and treatment in the future.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Age**

Adults (18-64 years)  
Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

criteria 1 and 2 or 1 and 3 have to be fulfilled

1. Clinical weakness compatible with a form of myasthenia
2. Electromyographic evidence consistent with a neuromuscular transmission defect
3. Elevated serum antibody levels against ACHR, MuSK or VGCC

## Exclusion criteria

Age of < 18 years

Lack of both criteria 2 and 3

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-10-2011

Enrollment: 500

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 30-09-2011

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)

Approved WMO

Date: 30-01-2012  
Application type: Amendment  
Review commission: METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)

## 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	NL36673.058.11