# Treatment of subcutaneous abdominal wound healing impairment after surgery without fascial dehiscence by Vacuum-Assisted Closure® (V.A.C. ® SAWHI-Study) versus standard conventional wound therapy

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Ethical reviewApproved WMOStatusRecruitingHealth condition typeOther conditionStudy typeInterventional

## Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON35758

**Source** 

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** 

SAWHI study: VAC2010-56

#### **Condition**

- Other condition
- Skin and subcutaneous tissue therapeutic procedures

#### **Synonym**

NA

#### **Health condition**

onderhuids abdominale wondhelingsstoornis zonder fasciedehiscentie na operatie

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** University of Witten/Herdecke

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: KCI Europe Holding BV en KCI Kinetic

Concepts San Antonio Texas; USA

#### Intervention

Keyword: Abdominal Wounds, VAC

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary objective of this multicenter, parallel design, prospective, randomized clinical trial is to compare the clinical safety and economic outcomes of VAC therapy and SCWT in postsurgical abdominal wound healing impairments without fascial dehiscence.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Secondary endpoints are related to a number of wound healing variables (re-opened wound, wound size reduction), safety and quality of life.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

To treat wounds, normally many different types of wound dressings are being used. It is therefore considered the current standard therapy. Another therapy used for wound healing is VAC ® Therapy . VAC ® stands for Vacuum Assisted Closure ®. VAC ® Therapy is a system that uses controlled negative pressure (vacuum) to promote wound healing.

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The KCI VAC ® Therapy \* is used worldwide for many years for treating wounds

As healing takes place over a longer period of time from the acute (hospital) to the post-acute situation (eg home care), this study compares the effects of KCI VAC ® Therapy \* compared to standard wound care (SCWT) during this process.

#### Study objective

The primary objective of this multicenter, parallel design, prospective, randomized clinical trial, with repeated observations over time, is to compare the clinical, safety, and economic outcomes of V.A.C.® Therapy and SCWT based on an open abdominal wound (also known as: subcutaneous abdominal wounds with healing impairment) after surgery without fascial dehiscence. The primary outcome to be observed in this study is time to complete open abdominal wound closure by Day 42 and confirmed closure after 14 consecutive days.

#### Study design

Multicenter, randomized controlled, clinical superiority trial

#### Intervention

Either VAC or conventional wound therpay (through randomization).

#### Study burden and risks

No additional risks. All risks are general, applicable for all wounds and wound treatments:

- Pain during debridement
- stinging / burning / pain in wound care dressing
- \* wound does not close

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

There are 2 categories of Subjects with distinct post-surgical open abdominal wound diagnoses that will qualify for this study:

• Subjects with primarily closed post-surgical abdominal wounds without fascial dehiscence that develop a spontaneous wound dehiscence or require an active reopening of the wound by the attending physician; • Subjects with open post-surgical abdominal wounds without fascial dehiscence that cannot be closed by primary intention and require further treatment to achieve permanent closure

## **Exclusion criteria**

Pregnant; Dehiscence of the abdominal fascia; Any pre-existing or ongoing organ system failure; Active signs or symptoms of Abdominal Compartment Syndrome

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

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Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 10-11-2011

Enrollment: 30

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Vacuum-Assisted Closure® (V.A.C.) Therapy

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 01-08-2011

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit

Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

Approved WMO

Date: 13-02-2012

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit

Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

Approved WMO

Date: 03-09-2012

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit

Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

# **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 NL36083.068.11

Other not yet done, after approval