# Iron overload in MDS patients: the value of new iron parameters and MRI T2\* of heart and liver as predictor of iron overload

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Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Haematopoietic neoplasms (excl leukaemias and lymphomas)

**Study type** Observational invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON36112

#### **Source**

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Iron overload in MDS patients

#### **Condition**

- Haematopoietic neoplasms (excl leukaemias and lymphomas)
- Heart failures

#### **Synonym**

Myelodysplastic syndrome -> bone marrow disorder

#### **Research involving**

Human

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Sint Radboud

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Nederland;6900 LZ Arnhem;Postbus 241.

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** iron overload, MDS, MRI T2\*

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Serum iron, serum ferritin, transferrin saturation level, hepcidin, GDF15 and

sTfR.

Iron overload as assessed by MRI T2\* heart and liver and left ventricular

function by echocardiography.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Not applicable.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Title of the study:

Iron overload in MDS patients: the value of new iron parameters and MRI T2\* of heart and liver as predictor of iron overload.

#### Background of the study:

Patients with MDS often develop anemia and become transfusion-dependent in the course of the disease. Frequent blood transfusions cause iron overload, especially in the heart and the liver. Iron overload has significant clinical consequences, including liver cirrhosis and heart failure, with increased morbidity and mortality. Iron overload in MDS patients is mainly caused by blood transfusions but can also be the result of an ineffective erythropoiesis. The pathophysiological mechanisms of iron overload and subsequent organ dysfunction are largely unknown. The occurrence of iron overload is frequently not recognized or only at a late stage. Nowadays, prevention and treatment of

iron overload and its complications is possible by new iron chelating agents.

#### Study objective

The aim of the current study is to improve the diagnosis of iron overload in MDS patients. The primary objectives are to evaluate 1. the relationship between red blood cell transfusions and iron overload in liver and heart as investigated by MRI T2\* in MDS patients and 2. the relationship between the iron parameters (serum ferritin and transferrin saturation level) and iron overload as investigated by MRI T2\* in blood transfusion dependent MDS patients. The secondary objectives are to determine evidence for iron overload in blood transfusion-dependent and independent MDS patients due to ineffective erythropoiesis by measuring iron parameters like serum iron, serum ferritin, transferrin saturation level, hepcidin, GDF15, sTfR and MRI T2\* (liver and heart).

#### Study design

The study is a prospective, multicenter, non-randomized and non-interventional investigation.

The study is performed in 75 patients from the Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Center and participating hospitals in the IKO and IKZ region. The inclusion period is 3 years with 3 year follow-up for each patient. The following investigations will be performed at inclusion and once yearly during follow-up: MRI T2\* heart and liver and echocardiography. Every six months a blood sample of 20mL will be collected (simultaneously with regular blood sampling) to determine specific iron parameters.

#### Intervention

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- MRI T2\* liver: liver iron content
- MRI T2\* heart: myocardial iron content and ejection fraction
- Echocardiography: evaluation of the left ventricular diastolic function

#### Study burden and risks

MRI and echocardiography at inclusion and once yearly during follow-up.

## **Contacts**

#### **Public**

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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 with MDS according to WHO 2001-criteria (RA, RARS, RAEB-1, RAEB-2, RCMD, RCMD-RS, MDS with isolated del(5q), MDS-U).
- Patient with IPSS low-risk, intermediate-1 or intermediate-2 risk.
- Untreated patients or patients treated with blood transfusions, growth factors, iron chelation therapy, the immunomodulatory drug lenalidomide or the hypomethylating agents azacitidine or decitabine.
- Informed consent and of legal age at the time of obtaining informed consent (\*18yrs).

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Patients with previous intensive anti-leukemic therapy (intensive chemotherapy and/or stem cell transplantation).
- Patients with secondary or therapy-related AML and MDS after chemotherapy for a malignancy or radiotherapy.
- Patients with IPSS high risk MDS.
- Patients with a contraindication for MRI: Metal body parts, internal defibrillator, pacemaker, neurostimulator, bladder stimulator, insulin pump, cochlear implant, claustrophobia or
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another reason that prohibits MRI evaluation.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 14-07-2011

Enrollment: 75

Type: Actual

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 10-05-2011

Application type: First submission

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 01-02-2012

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 07-05-2012

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

# **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 NL35915.091.11