

# Pulse Transit Time in patients with Complex Regional Pain Syndrome

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Peripheral neuropathies
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON36582

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

PTT in CRPS patients

### Condition

- Peripheral neuropathies
- Vascular disorders NEC

### Synonym

reflex sympathetic dystrophy

### 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,BSIK03016

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), Pulse transit time (PTT)

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Difference in PTT, as a result of cold-heat mediated vasomotor function within subjects and between subjects. Difference in PTT, as a result of flow mediated dilatation within subjects and between subjects. Standard error of measurement and smallest detectable difference of PTT in controls and patients.

Relationship between severity of symptoms of CRPS patients and PTT measurement in patients.

### Secondary outcome

Relationship between severity of symptoms of CRPS patients and PTT measurement in patients.

## Study description

### Background summary

Based on previous findings, the blood circulation in a CRPS1 involved limb can be altered due to vasomotor dysfunction. This vasomotor dysfunction can be caused by central and/or peripheral mechanisms. Clinically it is difficult to determine the involved mechanism, prohibiting effective treatment. Therefore we need equipment that can more reliably determine the cause of vasomotor dysfunction, allowing a mechanism based treatment. The aim of this study: is pulse transit time (PTT) a reliable tool to provide information about a mechanism involved in vasomotor dysfunction in patients with CRPS1?

### Study objective

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CRPS patients.

## **Study design**

Observational single centre case-control study.

## **Study burden and risks**

The risks are negligible. In this study we take measurement on the skin. Total research will request one visit of approx. 1 hour and 45 minutes. There is no direct benefit for the patient to participate in the study. Furthermore these methods might elucidate aspects of the pathophysiology involved in CRPS.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Age**

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

18 year and older  
Diagnosed as CRPS according to the IASP criteria  
One CRPS involved upper limb

## Exclusion criteria

Without illness that effects vasomotor functioning  
o Cardiovascular diseases  
o Peripheral vascular disease  
o Diabetes  
o Muscle or skeletal injuries in upper limb  
Incapacitated subjects  
Haemopoetic disease

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Observational non invasive
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Basic science

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	14-12-2009
Enrollment:	114
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 27-10-2009

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 09-02-2011

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 17-01-2012

Application type: Amendment

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**

CCMO

**ID**

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