

# The efficacy of pro- and anticoagulant therapy in plasma from patients with liver cirrhosis .

Published: 06-06-2012

Last updated: 28-04-2024

To investigate the in vitro effect of pro- and anticoagulants on the hemostatic capacity of plasma from patients with liver cirrhosis.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Coagulopathies and bleeding diatheses (excl thrombocytopenic)
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON37417

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

EPAC

### Condition

- Coagulopathies and bleeding diatheses (excl thrombocytopenic)

### Synonym

coagulation., hemostasis

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Ministerie van OC&W

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Anticoagulants, Cirrhosis, Hemostasis, Procoagulants

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The functionality of the secondary hemostatic system, as determined by thrombin generation assays.

### Secondary outcome

Not applicable

## Study description

### Background summary

In contrast with historical believes, several recent laboratory studies have shown a rebalanced haemostasis in patients with chronic liver disease due to a decrease in both pro- and anticoagulant drivers. However this balance can be easily tipped over to a hypercoagulable or a hypocoagulable state with the risk of both bleeding complications and clinical thrombotic events. The role of prohemostatic and antihemostatic products for the prevention and treatment of these bleeding complications and thrombotic complications, in cirrhotic patients, is unstudied or remained unclear in previous studies. We aim to assess the efficacy of procoagulant and anticoagulant therapy in vitro in plasma of cirrhotic patients. This may help guide the dosage of these drugs in cirrhotic patients and may prevent overdosing with the risk of opposite haemostatic imbalance.

### Study objective

To investigate the in vitro effect of pro- and anticoagulants on the hemostatic capacity of plasma from patients with liver cirrhosis.

### Study design

A cross-sectional study

### Study burden and risks

Participating patients undergoing venapuncture for routine laboratory measurements will donate one blood sample of 45 ml for this study. This patient group undergoes venapuncture regularly as part of their routine control for their liver cirrhosis by the department of hepatology of the UMCG. Volunteers from the control group will also undergo venapuncture and donate 45 ml blood. Venapuncture is associated with minor discomfort and can cause local bruising.

## Contacts

### Public

Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

Hanzeplein 1  
9700 RB Groningen  
NL

### Scientific

Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

Hanzeplein 1  
9700 RB Groningen  
NL

## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria study group:

- Cirrhosis
- >18 year
- Signed informed consent

Inclusion criteria healthy control group

- >18 year
- Signed informed consent

## Exclusion criteria

Exclusion criteria study group:

- Congenital coagulation disorder
- Active infection
- Acute liver failure
- Use of anticoagulant drugs in the past 10 days
- Pregnancy
- HIV+
- (<7 days) transfusion with blood products; Exclusion criteria control-group
- Documented history of congenital coagulation disorder
- History of vascular disease
- History of hepatic disease
- History of any systemic disease
- Recent viral infection (>2 weeks)
- Use of anticoagulant drugs in the past 10 days
- Pregnancy

## Study design

### Design

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

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	06-08-2012
Enrollment:	126

Type:

Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date:

06-06-2012

Application type:

First submission

Review commission:

METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

## 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**

NL40435.042.12