# Treatment of calcifying tendinitis of the shoulder: Us guided needling with corticosteroid injection vs. us guided corticosteroid injection alone, a randomized controlled trial.

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To compare long term outcome of patients with calcifying tendinitis of the rotator cuff treated with us guided needling with us guided cortocosteroids injection versus us guided cortocosteroids injection only.

**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

**Study type** Interventional

## Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON37434

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Us guided needling vs. us guided corticosteroid injection alone.

## **Condition**

• Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

#### **Synonym**

Calcifying tendinitis of the shoulder, shoulder calcifications

## Research involving

Human

**Sponsors and support** 

**Primary sponsor:** Medisch Spectrum Twente

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Stichting Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek

Radiologische Diagnostiek

Intervention

**Keyword:** calcifying tendinitis, corticosteroid injection, needling, rotator cuff

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

To compare long term outcome of patients with calcifying tendinitis of the

rotator cuff treated with us guided needling with us guided cortocosteroids

injection versus us guided cortocosteroids injection only. The primary endpoint

is VAS and Contstant scores at 1 year.

**Secondary outcome** 

To get an insight in shoulder disability in daily life DASH score will be

measured at baseline, 6 weeks, 3 months, 6 months and 1 year.

VAS and Constant score at baseline, 6 weeks, 3 and 6 months.

Sometimes patients have heavy pain very shortly after us guided needling. Vas

score will be taken after two weeks.

The reaction of the calcifications of the rotator cuff tendons on the executed

therapy will be measured on x-ray and ultrasound of the shoulder using Gärtner

score on x-ray and a scoring system presented by Chiou et all. on ultrasound.

The measurements will be made directly post-interventionial, at 6 weeks and one

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# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Us guided needling is becoming an accepted treatment for patients with shoulder pain due to calcifying tendinitis. However, evidence for this treatment is lacking. We expect that patients treated with us guided needling with corticosteroid injection compared with patients treated with only corticosteroid injections have better clinical outcome after after one year follow-up.

## Study objective

To compare long term outcome of patients with calcifying tendinitis of the rotator cuff treated with us guided needling with us guided cortocosteroids injection versus us guided cortocosteroids injection only.

## Study design

randomized controlled trial

#### Intervention

Us guided needling with us guided subacromial corticosteroid injection or us guided subacromial corticosteroid injection alone.

## Study burden and risks

Both interventions are standard accepted therapies. There are no additional risks for patients included in this trial.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

## **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

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

## **Inclusion criteria**

- -Shoulder pain without improvement after 3 months despite conservative treatment
- -Calcification on x-ray ( Gärtner type I of II) and ultrasound in the supraspinatus tendon less than 6 weeks before the treatment
- -All patients are first seen and included by the orthopaedic surgeon
- -Last corticosteroid injection more than 3 months ago

## **Exclusion criteria**

- -Previous operation
- previous ultrasound guided needling of the shoulder
- -Frozen shoulder
- -Comorbidities of the painful shoulder on x-ray or ultrasound (ruptured tendon, fracture, bursitis....)
- -No informed consent
- -Pregnancy

## Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 12-07-2012

Enrollment: 80

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Single-use Hypodermic-needle

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 06-03-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Twente (Enschede)

# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

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# Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

# In other registers

Register

ClinicalTrials.gov CCMO ID

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