Molecular genetics of familial heart disease

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Ethical review Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Congenital cardiac disorders

Study type Observational invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON37798

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

Genetics of familial heart disease

Condition

- Congenital cardiac disorders
- Cardiac and vascular disorders congenital

Synonym

congenital heart defect, Congenital heart disease

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Academisch Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ICIN; Nederlandse Hartstichting; EU

Intervention

Keyword: Aortic aneurysm, Congenital heart disease, Genetics

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Genetic defects underlying CHD and aortic aneurysms.

Secondary outcome

Not applicable

Study description

Background summary

It is becoming increasingly clear that genetic defects are involved in a significant number of cardiac disorders, such as rhythm disturbances, cardiomyopathies and a subset of congenital heart diseases (CHD). Through identification of genes that are involved in these disorders, insight in the pathophysiology of the disorders and the functions of the mutated genes was gained, and the effects of early treatment on the prognosis of the disorder could be evaluated. However, in the majority of families with multiple affected individuals with CHD or aortic aneurysm no mutation is identified in any of the genes that are currently known to be involved. This implies genetic heterogeneity of these disorders.

In this study we aim to identify genetic causes for several familial cardiac disorders, i.e. (different types of) CHD and aortic aneurysms. This will provide insight in the aetiology and heredity of these diseases. This knowledge can contribute to improved medical care for patients and their relatives, in terms of counselling, screening and treatment.

Study objective

The aim of this study is to identify genetic defects underlying CHD and aortic aneurysms. This will provide insight in the aetiology and heredity of these diseases.

Study design

Families with two or more affected patients with CHD and/or an aortic aneurysm will be approached for participation. Participants will undergo the following

investigations: medical history taking, ECG, echocardiogram and cardiac MRI (when indicated). Furthermore, blood will be drawn (20 ml), from which DNA will be isolated (in very young children a mouth-swab or saliva kit can be used instead). In each individual family it will be determined which DNA analysis technique is feasible for identification of involved genes. Techniques that may be used are linkage analysis, Sanger-sequencing, exome sequencing, whole genome sequencing, array CGH and RNA-sequencing.

Study burden and risks

No significant risks areassociated with participation in this study. However, there is a possibilty that results will be generated that may be of clinical relevance to the partcipant or his/her relatives. This may involve genetic results related to cardiac disease, as well as coincidental findings not related to the cardiac disorder though clinically relevant. In case of such finding, we will inform the participant in general terms about the finding and its clinical relevance. He or she can decide if he wants to be informed more extensively and to seek treatment. If necessary, participants will be counseled about this finding at de clinical genetics outpatient clinic. If a partcipant does not want to be informed in global terms about such findings, he or she cannot participate in the study.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adolescents (12-15 years) Adolescents (16-17 years) Adults (18-64 years) Children (2-11 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

Individuals from families with two or more affected persons with congenital heart disease and/or (thoracic) aortic aneurysm are included. Affected family members as well as unaffected family members are included.

Exclusion criteria

None

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): 12-06-2012

Enrollment: 300

Type: Actual

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 12-06-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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 NL38157.018.11