# Comparison of the effects of atropine on haemodynamics and tissue oxygenation in anaesthesia with propofol and sufentanil versus propofol and remifentanil.

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To investigate if there is a clinically important different effect of atropine on haemodynamic variables, tissue oxygenation or microcirculation during anaesthesia with either sufentanil and propofol or with remifentanil and propofol.

Ethical reviewApproved WMOStatusRecruitment stoppedHealth condition typeCoronary artery disorders

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON38529

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Atropine effects in anaesthesia with Sufentanil vs. Remifentanil.

#### **Condition**

Coronary artery disorders

#### **Synonym**

CABG, Open Heart Surgery

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** anesthesiologie- onderzoeksbureau

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

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** anaesthesia, atropine, haemodynamic variables, tissue oxygenation

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The change in CO (continuous measurement of the Nexfin monitor) around the moment of atropine administration.

#### **Secondary outcome**

The evolution of MAP, SctO2 and SptO2 around the moment of atropine administration.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Induction of general anaesthesia with a combination of opiates and hypnotics often induces vasodilation resulting in several haemodynamic effects such as a decrease in blood pressure, heart rate and cardiac output. This haemodynamic suppression may jeopardize tissue oxygenation, particularly cerebral oxygenation. Previous research of our group (see attachments) has revealed that atropine has an exceptionally beneficial effect on the determinants of tissue oxygen delivery as well as on tissue oxygenation. We have demonstrated a significant and clinically relevant increase in cardiac output (CO) and cerebral tissue oxygenation (SctO2) for a desired increase in arterial blood pressure. This is in steep contrast with the more usual clinical practice of administrating classical vasoactive medication such as phenylephrine or norepinephrine, since the two latter have an even negative effect on CO and SctO2. In our previous research we used standardized target controlled propofol/remifentanil infusions for induction and maintenance of anaesthesia. It is known that remifentanil has more intense haemodynamic side-effects compared to other opiates such as fentanyl, sufentanil or alfentanil. This raises the question whether the beneficial effect of atropine is restricted to

propofol/remifentanil anaesthesia, or if this is equally valid during anaesthesia of propofol combined with other opiates such as sufentanil. Patients undergoing off-pump coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG) require a long and deep general anaesthesia, which is usually performed with the combination of drugs as mentioned above. Because these patients often experience severe haemodynamic fluctuations they need to be closely monitored.

### Study objective

To investigate if there is a clinically important different effect of atropine on haemodynamic variables, tissue oxygenation or microcirculation during anaesthesia with either sufentanil and propofol or with remiferanil and propofol.

#### Study design

Prospective, double-blind, randomized, interventional trial.

#### Intervention

Patients will be randomised to receive anaesthesia with propofol and an equipotent effect site concentration of either sufentanil or remifentanil administered with target controlled infusion pumps.

#### Study burden and risks

In this study, we will provide standardized anaesthesia during routine clinical practice. Both sufentanil are remifentanil are routinely used as analgesic, with no definite advantage of either. Whether the patient will be treated with sufentanil or remifentanil will be randomly determined. In these patients an arterial catheter is routinely placed for continuous blood pressure monitoring and blood sampling, consequently no additional punctures are required for the use of the additional monitoring devices. This study will not extent the burden for patients. As both agents are routinely used, patients will have no additional risk or advantage compared to clinical practice.

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### **Inclusion criteria**

- Age: 18 years and older
- -- Written informed consent to participate in this study.
- Elective CABG surgery performed off-pump.
- Patient and surgical procedure appropriate for treatment with either sufentanil or remifentanil.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Refusal to participate in this study.
- Age: younger than 18 years.
- Pregnant.
- BMI > 35 kg/m2.
- Patients in which atropine is contra-indicated.
- Patients in which sufentanil or remifentanil at the proposed doses are contra-indicated.
- Urgent or emergency surgery.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-06-2013

Enrollment: 70

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: sufentanil

Generic name: sufenatnil

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Ultiva

Generic name: remifentanil

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 05-03-2013

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

Approved WMO

Date: 22-05-2013

Application type: First submission

# **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

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