

# Artifact free carotid contrast-enhanced ultrasound

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	Arteriosclerosis, stenosis, vascular insufficiency and necrosis
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON38664

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Artifact free carotid contrast-enhanced ultrasound

### Condition

- Arteriosclerosis, stenosis, vascular insufficiency and necrosis

### Synonym

arterial calcification, atherosclerosis

### 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

### Intervention

**Keyword:** contrast-agent, Non-invasive, ultrasound, vascular

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Lumen intensity

Artifact intensity

### Secondary outcome

Differences in amount of intra-plaque neovascularization will be detected using automated quantification software developed for the evaluation of intra-plaque neovascularization.

## Study description

### Background summary

In the Erasmus Medical Center, multiple studies investigated the clinical value of vascular contrast-enhanced ultrasound. One of the conclusions of a prior study was that the ultrasound clips are hindered by an artifact, resulting in ultrasound clips that are not suitable for analysis. This artifact is caused by the way the ultrasound pulse-sequences behave in the human body. By adjusting these sequences, a solution for this artifact could be provided. To prove that the new pulse-sequences perform better than the current pulse-sequences, we have to perform an observational comparison study. Such a study is already performed in a phantom. However, that controlled setting does not provide a realistic view of the human neck.

### Study objective

Repeating the phantom study in human subjects will provide us the answer which of the new pulse-sequences should be used for future contrast-enhanced ultrasound studies.

### Study design

Observational study.

### Study burden and risks

Ultrasound contrast agent will be administered intravenously. This ultrasound contrast agent is safe (see references) and is registered for contrast-enhanced echocardiography. The chance of an allergic reaction after administration of ultrasound contrast agents is limited. During each examination, a medical doctor will be present. In case of allergic reactions he will intervene immediately.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

1. Prior participation in the VASA study (ABR-number: 28698)
2. Age over 18 years

### Exclusion criteria

1. Unstable clinical symptoms
2. Contraindications for contrast-enhanced ultrasound

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2013

Enrollment: 15

Type: Anticipated

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date:	11-06-2013
Application type:	First submission
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	ID
CCMO	NL42873.078.12