

# Brain Structure and Development in Children and Adolescents with Prader-Willi Syndrome: A Combined Structural and Functional MRI Study

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Chromosomal abnormalities, gene alterations and gene variants
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON39422

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Brain Structure and Development in Children with Prader-Willi Syndrome

### Condition

- Chromosomal abnormalities, gene alterations and gene variants

### Synonym

Prader-Willi Syndrome

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Stichting Kind en Groei

## Intervention

**Keyword:** MRI, Prader-Willi syndrome

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

We will measure multiple parameters such as total brain volume, grey matter/white matter volume, volumes of various brain structures (such as pituitary gland, caudate nucleus, hippocampus, hypothalamus), white matter connections (corpus callosum, anterior and posterior commissures), connectivity within the different lobes. We will further investigate the known functional networks within the brain by means of resting state fMRI. Longitudinal changes in structure and function will be assessed as well.

### Secondary outcome

not applicable

## Study description

### Background summary

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In the previous studies within our group we gathered a lot of data about children and adolescents with Prader-Willi syndrome, such as weight, length, endocrine markers, sleep disturbances which has led to the improvement of the treatment of children and adolescents with Prader-Willi syndrome. However, until now there were no studies conducted that addressed the anatomy and development of the brain of children and adolescents with Prader-Willi syndrome.

### Study objective

We aim to document the brain anatomy and functioning and development of children and adolescents of different ages who suffer from Prader-Willi syndrome in order to gain insight into the possible relation between the observed behavior and the brain anatomy.

### **Study design**

Observational/comparative longitudinal study

### **Study burden and risks**

The risks associated with MRI research are not reported yet and the burden caused by MRI noise is minimized.

## **Contacts**

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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

Children and adolescents with genetically confirmed PWS and known genetic defect between 6-25 years old and healthy age- and sex-matched controls  
Written Informed consent of the caregivers and children and adolescents older than 12 years and assent of patients/children younger than 12 years  
Written informed consent of healthy adult controls  
Successful completion of the mock MRI scanner protocol for healthy controls under 12 years old

## Exclusion criteria

Other chromosomal abnormalities  
Claustrophobia  
Contra-indications for MRI scanner  
The use of medication for treating anxiety, mood disorders or psychiatric disturbances including the regular use of homeopathic St John's wort preparations for longer than two weeks  
Expected or proven non-compliance

## Study design

### Design

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

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated):	14-11-2010
Enrollment:	160
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	11-10-2010
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)
Approved WMO	
Date:	23-08-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)
Approved WMO	
Date:	01-11-2013
Application type:	Amendment
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**

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**ID**

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