# The relevance of donorspecific memory B cells in immunised kidney transplant recipients

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Recruitment stopped
Health condition type	Other condition
Study type	Observational invasive

# Summary

### ID

NL-OMON39729

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** Donorspecific memory B cells in kidney transplantation

### Condition

- Other condition
- Nephropathies

**Synonym** End-stage renal failure, kidney transplantation

#### **Health condition**

orgaantransplantatie

#### **Research involving**

Human

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## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Nierstichting Nederland

### Intervention

Keyword: ELISPOT, humoral immunity, kidney transplantation, rejection

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The main parameter to be assessed in the current study is the frequency of

donor-specific memory B cells as determined by a novel ELISPOT based technique.

Furthermore, donor-specific antibody levels will be determined by CDC and

Luminex techniques.

#### Secondary outcome

The secondary study parameters are clinical parameters. The transplant function

at 6 and 12 months will be determined by using the estimated Glomerular

Filtration Rate (eGFR). Furthermore, the occurence of cellular and antibody

mediated rejection within the first year after transplantation will be

recorded,

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Determining the risk of rejection prior to organ transplantation is an important aspect of the transplant procedure, especially in immunised patients. Historically, donor-specific antibodies are detected in the serum of the patient by using a complement dependent cytotoxicity (CDC) assay. This assay has been used ever since to prevent hyper-acute rejection. Recently, novel techniques for the detection of donor-specific antibodies have been introduced, based on the binding of antibodies to synthetic HLA molecules on polystyrene beads (Luminex). Although this technique is much more sensitive in detecting donor-specific antibodies, the clinical relevance of the detected antibodies is currently unknown. In some patients the presence of antibodies only detected by Luminex is associated with early rejection, while in others no negative effect of these antibodies are observed. We hypothesise that the presence of donor-specific memory B cells underlies this divergence. We have recently developed a novel technique to determine the frequency of HLA-specific memory B cells in the circulation of transplant patients and will use this technique to determine the donor-specific B cell load in immunised transplant recipients.

#### **Study objective**

The objective of the current study is to determine whether the presence of donor-specific B cell memory determines whether a patient will develop graft rejection or inferior graft function, especially in kidney transplant recipients who have donor-specific antibodies only detectable with the Luminex technique.

### Study design

The current study is a pilot study to determine whether the newly developed HLA-specific memeory B cell ELISPOT assay provides clinically useful information for risk assessment of (immunised) kidney transplant recipients.

#### Study burden and risks

There are no risks involved in participation in this study. There are also no direct benefits for the participating patients.

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# **Trial sites**

# **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

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

### **Inclusion criteria**

Kidney transplant recipients who receive a kidney transplant after having rejected their previous transplant. Additionally, thier kidney donors in case of living donor transplantation.

## **Exclusion criteria**

Subjects infected with HIV or Hepatitis C

# Study design

### Design

Study type: Observational invasive		
Masking:	Open (masking not used)	
Control:	Uncontrolled	
Primary purpose:	Diagnostic	

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	01-09-2013
Enrollment:	120

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#### Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO	
Date:	02-04-2013
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)
Approved WMO	
Date:	17-09-2013
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)

# **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 CCMO **ID** NL42616.058.12