# Irreversible electroporation treatment in patients with pancreatic locally advanced adenocarcinoma

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC

**Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON40224

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** 

**IMPALA** 

## **Condition**

- Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC
- Gastrointestinal neoplasms malignant and unspecified
- Gastrointestinal therapeutic procedures

#### Synonym

Pancreatic adenocarcinoma, Pancreatic Cancer

## **Research involving**

Human

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** ablation, irreversible electroporation, pancreatic cancer, treatment

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Primary endpoint: Clavien-Dindo score 3 or higher complications, these are defined as complications leading to re-intervention (endoscopic, surgical or radiological), admission to the intensive care unit, or mortality.

## **Secondary outcome**

Secondary endpoints: success rate of completing the procedure, duration of the procedure, intraprocedural complications, time to functional recovery, length of hospital stay, complications, readmissions, ablation effect as recorded on cross-sectional imaging, and survival (2 year survival, median survival, progression free survival).

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Pancreatic adenocarcinoma is a devastating disease with a 2-year overall survival below 10%. Although surgical resection offers the only chance for cure, 80% of patients present with unresectable disease because of local progression or metastases. The treatment for these patients is palliative chemotherapy, radiotherapy, or both, but offers only marginal survival advantage. Recently, irreversible electroporation (IRE), a non-thermal ablation technique, has been suggested as a novel treatment for the 40% of patients with locally advanced pancreatic cancer, without metastases. Some clinical data suggest that IRE, when performed during surgical exploration, may improve overall survival with 9 months with limited risks of complications.

## Study objective

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## Study design

A phase II safety study

#### Intervention

IRE during open surgery (during the same procedure as intended for resection or confirmation of unresectability).

## Study burden and risks

Based on current literature (one prospective study, n=54) the estimated gain in overall survival is 9 months (from 11 to 20 months). According to the current literature clinically relevant complications are expected in up to 17% of procedures with 1-2% mortality.

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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 or older
- Capable of providing written and oral informed consent
- Physically fit to undergo explorative laparotomy
- Pancreatic cancer confirmed with pathology (either pre- or intraoperative, pathological diagnosis must be either pancreatic adenocarcinoma or non-intestinal cholangiocarcinoma located in the pancreas) and non resectability because of locally advanced growth (stage III) during surgical exploration
- One of the following:
- \* Potentially resectable panreatic cancer based on imaging and planned for surgical exploration with intend for resection, this includes 2 groups of patients
- \* Patients with resectable disease at primary evaluation but are considered non-resectable during surgical exploration
- \$ Patients with initially non-resectable disease because of locally advanced pancreatic cancer without metastases, who have stable or regressive (non-metastasized) disease after 3 months of chemotherapy
- \* Locally advanced pancreatic cancer based on imaging without options for non-operative drainage of stomach and bileducts and therefore planned for surgical exploration with intend for bypass surgery

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Resectable pancreatic cancer during explorative laparotomy
- Presence of metastatic disease (peritoneal, liver or other)
- Pathological diagnosis of intestinal-type cholangiocarcinoma
- History of cardiac arrhythmia\*s
- \* Sinus tachycardia (BPM>100)
- \* Sick sinus syndrome
- \* Sinoatrial exit block
- \* AV block
- \* Sinus node reentry
- \* Presence of a pacemaker or defibrillator
- Recent history of myocardial infarction
- History of epilepsy
- Partial portal vein thrombosis
- Both narrowing (sclerosis) of the portal vein and a reduced diameter of either the common

# Study design

## **Design**

Study phase: 2

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 26-09-2013

Enrollment: 106

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 09-07-2013

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 14-10-2013

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 14-01-2014

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 15-08-2014

Application type: Amendment

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 NL44713.018.13

# **Study results**

Date completed: 07-08-2015

Actual enrolment: 50