# Influence of BCG vaccine as a booster for TDaP-IPV vaccination

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type Immune disorders NEC

**Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON40745

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

## **Brief title**

Influence of BCG

## Condition

- Immune disorders NEC
- Ancillary infectious topics

## **Synonym**

Pertussis, Whooping cough

## Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Radboudumc

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: NWO

## Intervention

**Keyword:** BCG, booster, TDaP-IPV

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Comparison of pertussis-specific antibody and T-cell responses, as well as gene

transcription between BCG, TDaP-IPV and BCG+TDaP-IPV vaccinated groups.

Comparison of cytokine responses to unrelated antigens and/or pathogens before

and after BCG, TDaP-IPV or BCG+TDaP-IPV vaccination.

## **Secondary outcome**

Epigenetic markers associated with immune function.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

The Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccine not only protects against Mycobacterium tuberculosis, but has also been shown to reduce morbidity and mortality caused by non-related infections. This effect is likely due to non-specific immunomodulatory effects, at least in part on the innate immune system. Additionally, BCG has been shown to improve immunogenicity of other vaccinations.

In contrast, whilst the diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP) combination vaccine protects against infection with Bordetella pertussis, Clostridium tetani and Corynebacterium diphtheria, it has also been associated with increased mortality due to unrelated infections, particularly in girls in high-mortality countries.

Although widespread DTP vaccination has initially reduced pertussis mortality, the disease has persisted and recently resurged in a number of countries with highly vaccinated populations, including the Netherlands. This has been partially attributed to the switch from a whole-cell vaccine (which is still being used in low-income countries) to a more defined acellular pertussis vaccine, which only protects for a limited period (5-8 years). Strategies to improve the efficacy of pertussis vaccination are therefore urgently required.

## Study objective

To examine the effect of BCG as an adjuvant on DTP vaccination, and to investigate the non-specific training effects of BCG and DTP, alone and in combination, on the innate immune system.

## Study design

Healthy volunteers will be divided in three groups. Group 1 will receive BCG first, followed by Boostrix Polio (diphteria, tetanus, pertussis, poliomyelitis) 3 months later. Group 2 will receive BCG and Boostrix Polio simultaneously. Group 3 will first receive Boostrix polio, followed by BCG 3 month later. Blood will be taken before and at different timepoints after vaccination.

#### Intervention

BCG vaccination Vaccination with Boostrix Polio

## Study burden and risks

There is no direct benefit to the study participants but these results will potentially lead to novel strategies to optimize vaccinations. The risks for participants are negligible, with the only expected risks being minor side-effects from vaccination and local hematoma forming at the site of venepuncture. This will be minimized by the performance of these procedures by experienced personnel.

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

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

## **Inclusion criteria**

Healthy adults

## **Exclusion criteria**

Systemic medication other oral contraceptives. Diseases resulting in immunodeficiency. Previous BCG vaccination. Pregnancy.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Other

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 29-01-2015

Enrollment: 51

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 13-11-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 12-01-2015

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 08-04-2015

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

# **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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