

# A prospective study on the cardio-metabolic effects of apremilast in patients with psoriatic arthritis

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Joint disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON43353

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Aprmilast for psoriatic arthritis

### Condition

- Joint disorders
- Arteriosclerosis, stenosis, vascular insufficiency and necrosis

### Synonym

inflammatory arthritis, psoriatic arthritis

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Reade

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Celgene,Celgene Corporation

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Apremilast, Atherosclerosis, Body composition, Psoriatic arthritis

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Body composition assessed using whole body DEXA

### Secondary outcome

Medical history, date of birth, gender, ethnicity, smoking status, use of alcohol, physical activity, date of diagnosis, comorbidity, concomitant medication, use of concomitant and prior DMARDs, height, weight, blood pressure, heart rate, abdominal wall and hip circumference, presence of peripheral arthritis, patient pain VAS, patient global assessment of disease activity (VAS), PASI, LEI, RAPID, ESR, hsCRP, HbA1c (only in patients diagnosed with diabetes mellitus), TC, HDL, LDL, Apo, HDL efflux capacity, glucose, ICAM, VCAM, adiponectines, PCSK9, cIMT, DECT-scan

## Study description

### Background summary

Psoriatic arthritis (PsA) is an inflammatory joint disease associated with an increased risk of cardiovascular (CV) events. Apremilast, an oral phosphodiesterase 4 inhibitor (PDE4), has recently been approved for treatment of PsA. PDE4 is one of the major phosphodiesterases expressed in leukocytes. PDE4 inhibition by apremilast elevates cyclic adenosine monophosphate (cAMP) levels in immune cells, which in turn down-regulates the inflammatory response by reducing the expression of pro-inflammatory mediators and increasing the production of anti-inflammatory mediators. In view of these anti-inflammatory effects of apremilast we expect favorable effects on the cardiovascular burden in PsA patients. Body composition, specifically adipose tissue, is likely to play an important role in cardiovascular disease. By investigation the mechanism of apremilast at several levels, e.g. basal metabolic, cholesterol

efflux, body composition and plaque size and composition, we can test our hypothesis of apremilast influencing cholesterol efflux, and simultaneously measure the effects of that body composition and on atherosclerosis in the aorta and coronary arteries. This provides us with novel insights in the relation of inflammation and atherosclerosis, and mechanisms in which therapies influence this.

## **Study objective**

The aim of the present study is to identify the association of inflammation in PsA with measures of abdominal fat and cardiometabolic risk factors and evaluate the body composition changes in PsA patients receiving apremilast. Secondly, to assess plaque composition measured by DECT scanning. Thirdly, to evaluate changes in cIMT and cardio-metabolic markers during anti-inflammatory therapy with apremilast.

## **Study design**

Single center, longitudinal prospective translational study

## **Study burden and risks**

Participation in scientific research takes patients extra time because of the additional tests being conducted. During study visits, blood will be drawn, which is associated with pain at the needle insertion or a small hematoma after the blood collection.

If patients undergo the DXA scan and the DECT, they are exposed to radiation. The extra radiation received with this study is approximately 10 mSv. The extra radiation is within the standards that apply in our country for this type of additional radiation exposure.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

- Adult ( $\geq 18$  years) patients with active psoriatic arthritis
- Starting apremilast

### Exclusion criteria

- Inability or unwillingness to sign informed consent
- Contraindication for apremilast (i.e. pregnancy and hypersensitivity to apremilast and/or its excipients)

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	17-03-2017
Enrollment:	50
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	12-10-2016
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Amsterdam UMC
Approved WMO	
Date:	04-10-2021
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	NL59047.048.16