# The concurrent validity of surface EMG compared to intramusculair EMG of the multifidus activity.

Published: 14-02-2017 Last updated: 14-04-2024

What is the correlation between intramuscular and surface EMG of the mm. multifidi in different clinical tests in healthy subjects and non-specific lower backpain patients?

Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Will not start
Health condition type	Muscle disorders
Study type	Observational invasive

# Summary

## ID

NL-OMON43365

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** Surface EMG vs. intramusculair EMG

## Condition

• Muscle disorders

**Synonym** non-specific lower back pain

**Research involving** Human

## **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: anesthesiologie- onderzoeksbureau Source(s) of monetary or material Support: NWO

## Intervention

Keyword: EMG, intramusculair, multifidus, surface

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary study parameter is the amount of EMG, with parameters relative

rEMG, amplitud (mV), frequency amount (Fmed) in Hz. These parameters will be

measured by surface and intramuscular EMG.

#### Secondary outcome

not applicable

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Non-specific lower backpain is a painsyndrome, however the exaclty cause is not known. Probably there are several factors that contribute to this painsyndrom. The last several years, people are interest to devide non-specific lower backpain patients in different subgroups. Because these different subgroups need probably different specific treatments. In regular treatment the most attention focused on disbalans between back and belly muscles. The activity pattern and power of mm. multifidi and m. obliquus abdominis can be measured by electromyografy (EMG), intramuscular and surface EMG. There is a lack of clarity how surface EMG and intramuscular EMG correlate in clinical tests in healthy volunteers and non-specific lower backpain patients. This study will controbute to create new knowlegde about EMG in back muscles in clinical tests and improve diagnostics for physiotherapist in function and morfology of back muscles in non-specific lower backpain patients.

#### **Study objective**

What is the correlation between intramuscular and surface EMG of the mm. multifidi in different clinical tests in healthy subjects and non-specific lower backpain patients?

#### Study design

#### Study burden and risks

The burden of the subjects are limited. Subjects will be measured once at the clinical neurophysiology at the UMCG. This will be taken a maximum of one houre. The risks that could be arise during the measurement: a local intramuscular bleeding and/or a sensitive skin neuron could be hit by using intramuscular EMG. This could result in extra pain during the measurement for the subjects. These risks are minimalized, because the intramuscular EMG measurements will performed by an experienced clinical neurophysiologist. The advanced of participating in this study for the subjects is, they will contribute to create more knowledge about to diagnostic non-specific lower backpain patients in the physiotherapy. The subjects will get traveling expenses and a cheque of 15 euros for participation in this study.

# Contacts

**Public** Selecteer

hanzeplein 1 groningen 9713 EZ NL **Scientific** Selecteer

hanzeplein 1 groningen 9713 EZ NL

# **Trial sites**

# **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

3 - The concurrent validity of surface EMG compared to intramusculair EMG of the mul ... 29-05-2025

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

## **Inclusion criteria**

Patients

- Between 18 and 65 years old
- non-specific lower back pain
- Patients with chronic non-specific lower back pain (>12 weeks)
- Motivated for participation;Healthy subjects
- Between 18 and 65 years old
- Motivated for participation

# **Exclusion criteria**

Patients

- Presence of red flags and lumbarsacral radicular syndrom
- Pregnancy
- Previous backsurgery
- Psychiatric diagnosis
- Insufficient knowledge of the Dutch language
- Body mass index > 30;Healthy subjects
- non-specific lower back pain
- Presence of red flags and lumbarsacral radicular syndrom
- Pregnancy
- Previous backsurgery
- Psychiatric diagnosis
- Insufficient knowledge of the Dutch language
- Body mass index > 30

# Study design

# Design

Study type: Observational invasiveMasking:Open (masking not used)Control:UncontrolledPrimary purpose:Diagnostic

# Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Will not start
Enrollment:	30
Туре:	Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO	
Date:	14-02-2017
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

# **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 NL58616.042.16