# Interbody fusion in the treatment of cervicobrachial syndrome; a prospective trial of porous titanium cervical cages.

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Recruitment stopped
Health condition type	Musculoskeletal and connective tissue deformities (incl
	intervertebral disc disorders)
Study type	Interventional

# Summary

## ID

NL-OMON43762

**Source** ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

The EFFECT trial (Examination of Fast Fusion with EIT Cellular Titanium)

## Condition

- Musculoskeletal and connective tissue deformities (incl intervertebral disc disorders)
- Spinal cord and nerve root disorders
- Nervous system, skull and spine therapeutic procedures

#### Synonym

cervical herniated disc

**Research involving** Human

## **Sponsors and support**

#### Primary sponsor: neurochirurgie Source(s) of monetary or material Support: EIT Emerging Implant Technolgies GmbH

#### Intervention

Keyword: cage, cervical, fusion, titanium

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary outcome measure is improvement in the Neck and Disability Index

(NDI) one year after surgery.

#### Secondary outcome

Secondary outcome measure is the temporal evaluation of bony fusion using

dynamic lateral flexion-extension radiographs that will be quantitatively

analysed. Other outcome measures include improvement in arm pain and neck pain

(VAS), EuroQol-5D, patients' perceived recovery, and perioperative variables

including operating time, blood loss, length of hospital stay, and adverse

events.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Anterior cervical discectomy is the basic surgical treatment for patients with radicular pain caused by cervical disc herniation unresponsive to conservative treatment. At present, anterior cervical discectomy and interbody fusion with a Polyetheretherketone (PEEK) plastic cage is considered as the golden standard, although PEEK is a bio-inert material generating peri-implant fibrosis. In a recent randomized controlled trial (CASCADE trial), PEEK has been compared to ceramic cages. Currently, biocompatible porous 3-D printed titanium has become available in spinal implants. In-vitro and in-vivo studies using porous 3-D printed titanium implants in various animal species, have demonstrated high

osteo-integrative and fusion capacity, although clinical comparative studies have not been conducted yet.

#### **Study objective**

Documentation of the patients' functional recovery and quantification of fusion after implantation of 3-D trabecular titanium cages on the short and long term. These data will be compared with the recently performed randomized CASCADE trial on cervical cages. Whether porous titanium cervical cages have more favourable clinical and radiological results as compared to the golden standard, has to be determined by this trial.

#### Study design

The EFFECT study is designed as a prospective consecutive cohort trial, with a total follow-up period of 1 year.

#### Intervention

Anterior cervical discectomy with interbody fusion by implantation of 3-D trabecular titanium cage (EIT Cellular Titanium®).

#### Study burden and risks

Besides the known complications of an anterior cervical approach, there are implant related risks like displacement, subsidence, or breakage. The outpatient control will be more frequently than usual and patients are asked to fill out several guestionnaires.

# Contacts

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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 75 years.

\* Radicular signs and symptoms in one or both arms (i.e., pain, paraesthesiae or paresis in a specific nerve root distribution) or symptoms and signs of myelopathy.

\* At least 8 weeks prior conservative treatment (i.e., physical therapy, pain medication).

\* Radiographic diagnosis of cervical disc herniation and/or osteophyte at 1 level (C3-C4 to C7-

T1) in accordance with clinical signs and symptoms.

\* Written informed consent.

## **Exclusion criteria**

- \* Previous cervical surgery (either anterior or posterior)
- \* Increased motion on dynamic studies (> 3 mm)
- \* Neck pain only (without radicular or medullary symptoms)
- \* Infection
- \* Osteoporosis
- \* Neoplasma or trauma of the cervical spine
- \* Spinal anomaly (Klippel Feil, Bechterew, OPLL)
- \* Severe mental or psychiatric disorder
- \* Inadequate Dutch language
- \* Planned (e)migration abroad in the year after inclusion
- . Pregnancy

# Study design

# Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Treatment

## Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	10-09-2015
Enrollment:	50
Туре:	Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name:	cellular titanium cage
Registration:	Yes - CE intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO Date:	24-06-2015
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Leiden-Den Haag-Delft (Leiden)
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#### Approved WMO

Date: Application type: Review commission: 26-01-2017 Amendment METC Leiden-Den Haag-Delft (Leiden) metc-ldd@lumc.nl

# **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** NL51781.098.14