# **Analysis of Predictive Parameters of Evident Anastomotic Leakage II**

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Gastrointestinal inflammatory conditions

**Study type** Observational invasive

# Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON44055

Source

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**Brief title** 

APPEAL-II study

#### **Condition**

- Gastrointestinal inflammatory conditions
- Gastrointestinal therapeutic procedures

#### **Synonym**

Anastomotic Insufficiency, Anastomotic Leakage, Leakage of Intestinal Suture

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: UZ Leuven

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Medtronic

#### Intervention

Keyword: Anastomotic Leakage, Colorectal surgery, Drain fluid, Early detection

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary outcome measure of the APPEAL-study is anastomotic leakage, defined as an insufficiency of the anastomosis, demonstrated by either endoscopy, radiologic studies or operation and leading to a clinical state that requires an intervention.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Not applicable

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The most important and frustating complication of colorectal surgery is colorectal anastomotic leakage (CAL). The incidence of CAL varies from 3% and 19% and mortality rate due to CAL vary between 10% and 20%. To date, CAL is suspected when certain signs and symptoms are present and confirmation occurs by imaging and/or reoperation. CAL is generally confirmed six days to two weeks after the operation at which point the patient is very ill. In order to reduce the mortality and morbidity rates, it is necessary to confirm the diagnosis of CAL before clinical signs and symptoms occur.

#### Study objective

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#### Study design

To achieve the objective all included patients receive a drain that will be removed at the third postoperative day. During this period drain fluid will be retrieved daily and a blood examination, including CRP, will be performed as

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well.

Drain fluid is collected daily, on postoperative day one to three, centrifuged and stored at \* 80 °C. Analysis will be performed in batch and, based upon literature, consist of following groups of parameters:

- \* Bacteria: E. faecalis
- \* Immune-modulating parameters: IL-1, IL-6, IL-10 and TNF-\*
- \* Pancreas enzymes: Amylase
- \* Tissue repair modulating parameters: MMP \* 2 en MMP 9
- \* Inflammatory parameters: LBP
- \* Metabolic parameters: Lactate, glucose, pH Blood samples will be analysed for CRP.

#### Study burden and risks

Participation in this study provides no benefits to the patient. The load in the context of the study will consist of invasive procedures to obtain additional body material. The hospitalisation of the patients in this study will not be prolonged. A drain is placed during operation which will remain in place for 3 days. Normally, the operator decides during the operation if it is necessary to place a drain. However, there are no clear guidelines for this decision. A drain is placed more frequently in open surgery compared to laparoscopic surgery. A drain could prevent complications after surgery. However, there are also disadvantages to a drain.

- The drain may cause pain at the level of the skin
- While walking you should take the drain.

In addition, blood samples are taken at the three postoperative days. In general there is no blood taken at the second postoperative day. The collection of blood does have some risks for some patients. There is a risk of developing a hematoma and it is possible to have a bleeding. However, the occurrence of a bleeding is stronly related to coagulation disorders.

# **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

- Informed consent
- Primary anastomosis
- All patients with a postoperative drain at the anastomotic site after one of the following procedures:
- \* Total Mesorectal Excision (TME)
- \* Partial Mesorectal Excision (PME)
- \* Anterior resection with construction of a colorectal or colo-anal anastomosis

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Pregnancy
- Age < 18 years
- No informed consent
- No drain
- Emergency surgery

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 05-01-2016

Enrollment: 225

Type: Actual

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 24-11-2015

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

(Rotterdam)

Approved WMO

Date: 09-12-2016

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

(Rotterdam)

# **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 NL52251.078.15