# Long head biceps tenodesis or tenotomy in arthroscopic rotator cuff repair: An international multicenter prospective randomized clinical trial.

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

Health condition type Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON44133

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

BITE

#### **Condition**

- Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders
- Bone and joint therapeutic procedures

#### Synonym

Long head bicepstendon pathology, rotatorcuff surgery

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Onze Lieve Vrouwe Gasthuis

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Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Ministerie van OC&W

Intervention

**Keyword:** Bicepstendon, Cosmesis, Rotator cuff, Strength

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

Patient evaluation is conducted with a focus on overall shoulder function, as evaluated with the Constant score. In addition, the Dutch Oxford Shoulder Test and the Disabilities of the Arm Shoulder and Hand questionnaire will be assessed.

**Secondary outcome** 

Other evaluations concern: cosmetic appearance evaluated by the \*\*Popeye\*\* deformity, arm cramping pain, elbow flexion strength (measured with a hand dynamometer), and quality of life and cost-utility (evaluated with the EQ-5D).

**Study description** 

**Background summary** 

During arthroscopic rotator cuff (infraspinatus/supraspinatus) repair, biceps tendon lesions are frequently encountered. However, the most optimal treatment of the diseased long head of the biceps (LHB) tendon during rotator cuff repair remains a topic of debate: tenotomy or tenodesis. Our hypothesis is that there is no difference in functional outcome between LHB tenotomy and LHB tenodesis when performed in adjunct to arthroscopic rotator cuff repair.

**Study objective** 

To compare the functional results of LHB tenotomy and LHB tenodesis when performed in adjunct to arthroscopic rotator cuff repair.

Study design

An International, Multicenter, Prospective Randomized Controlled Trial

#### Intervention

In addition to arthroscopic rotator cuff repair one group is treated by performing LHB tenotomy and the other group is treated by performing an LHB tenodesis.

#### Study burden and risks

We do not anticipate treatment related risks related to participation in this study, but it is possible (though unlikely) that one treatment method will prove inferior to the other with respect to postoperative functional outcome or satisfaction. Treatment of LHB tendon lesions is performed differently around the world. Studies addressing the differences in outcome between the two treatment variations showed comparable results. If this study confirms our hypothesis, our patients will not have to undergo LHB tenodesis. This potentially avoids complications associated with an added procedure of the LHB tenodesis to an arthroscopic rotator cuff repair. This is probably less costly in terms of time and material as well.

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# **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

Patients older than 50 years who are indicated to undergo repair of a moderately sized rotator cuff (infraspinatus and/or supraspinatus) tendon rupture (sized smaller than 3cm measured using an arthroscopic ruler), who are encountered with an inflamed, unstable or partially torn LHB tendon.

Patients need to be able to read and write in Dutch or English language in order to complete the questionnaires, and sign informed consent.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

Patients are excluded form this study in case of an acute, traumatic or partial thickness rotator cuff rupture, or in case a full thickness tear is larger than 3 cm measured using an arthroscopic ruler.

Patients are also excluded when the origo of the bicepstendon has an hour-glass aspect or in case of accompanying subscapularis tendon rupture.

Pre-operative X-ray of the involved shoulder revealing acromion to humeral head distance measuring 6mm or smaller or osteoarthritis also excludes patients from participation to this study.

Any prior surgery to the involved shoulder leads to exclusion from participation in this study. Dementia or inability to complete questionnaires and assessments excludes patients form this study as well.

# Study design

## Design

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 07-03-2013

Enrollment: 98

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 12-07-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

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Date: 18-11-2014

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

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Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

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Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

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# **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 NL37898.100.11