# Long-term StaphyloCoccus aureus decolonizAtion in patients on home parentRal nutRition: a randomized multicEnter tRial.

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Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Gastrointestinal motility and defaecation conditions

**Study type** Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON44280

## **Source**

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#### **Brief title**

S. aureus decolonization in HPN patients/CARRIER-trial

## **Condition**

- Gastrointestinal motility and defaecation conditions
- · Bacterial infectious disorders

## **Synonym**

contamination with own skin bacteria, S. aureus carriage

## **Research involving**

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Radboud Universitair Medisch Centrum

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** decolonization, home parenteral nutrition, intestinal failure, S. aureus

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Primary outcome: proportion of patients eradicated for S. aureus (nose, throat, rectum, exit-site catheter) during one year.

## **Secondary outcome**

Secondary outcomes: long-term antimicrobial resistance, adverse events, patient compliance, incidence of (S. aureus) infections, catheter removals, mortality rates, S. aureus transmission routes, quality of life and costs.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Patients on home parenteral nutrition (HPN) are exposed to a life-long risk of developing S. aureus bacteremia (SAB). SAB pose a threat to both catheter and patient survival and may lead to a permanent loss of vascular access. S. aureus carriage eradication has proven successful in prevention of S. aureus infections. S. aureus decolonization is a key strategy to maintain venous access and avoid hospitalization.

## **Study objective**

To identify the most effective and safe long-term S. aureus carriage decolonization strategy in HPN patients. Ultimately this will lead to less antimicrobial resistance, less catheter removals and lower

mortality rates. Also, other chronic patientgroups may benefit from this trial as well, such as hemodialysis patients.

## Study design

Randomized open-label multicenter trial in the Netherlands and Denmark.

#### Intervention

Patients will be randomized to a search and destroy (SD) strategy: a quick and short, systemic antibiotic treatment (nasal mupirocin ointment, oropharyngeal chlorhexidine rinse, chlorhexidine body wash and systemic antibiotics) or a continuous suppression (CS) strategy: a repeated chronic topical treatment (nasal mupirocin ointment, oropharyngeal chlorhexidine rinse and chlorhexidine body wash).

## Study burden and risks

#### Burden

The burden will consist of every 6 monthly visits, as is the standard follow-up for HPN patients according to international HPN guidelines. Additionally, we will perform tests and obtain data (e.g. adverse events) after 3 and 9 months by the telephone. In case of unsuccessful eradication in the SD-strategy group an additional phone call (20 minuts) and performing extra culture swabs will be necessary. The expectation based on earlier experience is that it is a feasible treatment protocol and it has little impact on daily life.

#### Risks:

There are no additional risks in this study, since usual care is being followed in both strategies. The main 'known' risks associated with this study are the known side effects, allergies and/or toxicity of the various prescribed antibiotic drugs. It is currently uncertain which of the treatment strategies mentioned above is most effective and safe.

## Benefit and group relatedness

HPN patients, and likely other chronic patient groups such as hemodialysis patients, will benefit from an evidence based effective long-term decolonization protocol. Ultimately such protocol will lower S. aureus infections and reduce subsequently hospitalizations, catheter removals, mortality, antimicrobial resistance and costs. Furthermore, this study provides guidance for further policy development and implementation of (longterm) S. aureus decolonization protocols and other novel infection/transmission preventive strategies.

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

- Patient is fully able to understand the nature of the proposed intervention.
- Patient is diagnosed with intestinal failure and on HPN and/or fluid replacement
- Written informed consent by the patient before entering the trial.
- Age \* 18 years.
- Estimated life expectancy \* 1 year.
- Patient colonized with S. aureus.

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Cannot be expected to comply with the trial plan (substance abuse, mental condition).
- Pregnant or breastfeeding women.
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- Continuous exposure to MRSA (e.g. pig farmer).
- Allergy for chlorhexidine and betadine.
- No options for oral and/or topical antibiotics due to allergies and/or resistance.
- Active S. aureus infection.
- Currently on treatment with antibiotics active against S. aureus.
- Decolonization (including mupriocin) treatment in the previous two months.
- The presence of an unremovable nasal foreign body.
- AST and ALT levels more than five times the upper limit of normal or liver failure.

# Study design

## Design

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 08-02-2018

Enrollment: 66

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 11-09-2017

Application type: First submission

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 05-03-2018
Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

Approved WMO

Date: 29-07-2021

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: CMO regio Arnhem-Nijmegen (Nijmegen)

# **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

ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03173053 CCMO NL61885.091.17

# **Study results**

Date completed: 13-10-2021

Actual enrolment: 63

## **Summary results**

Trial is onging in other countries