

# HbA1c lowering before surgery in poorly controlled diabetes mellitus; a pilot study

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Glucose metabolism disorders (incl diabetes mellitus)
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON44634

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

The HALT study

### Condition

- Glucose metabolism disorders (incl diabetes mellitus)

### Synonym

Diabetes mellitus; Diabetes

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Anaesthesia, Diabetes mellitus, HbA1c, Surgery

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

the main outcome parameter is the proportion of patients in which HbA1c lowering is successful (ie > 10 mmol/mol decrease inclusion-surgery or HbA1c before surgery <53 mmol/mol), comparing HbA1c at inclusion with HbA1c on the day of surgery.

### Secondary outcome

As secondary outcome we will ask the patient to perform a fasting plasma glucose fingerstick measurement in the week of study inclusion and on the day of surgery. Also, complications will be registered for evaluation, although this study will to assess any relation between HbA1c and complications.

## Study description

### Background summary

Preoperative HbA1c values are related to the risk of postoperative complications and mortality in patients with diabetes mellitus (DM). Therefore, the effect of preoperative HbA1c lowering on postoperative complications in poorly regulated diabetes mellitus (DM) patients should be studiedevaluated. However, until now it is unknown whether it is possible at all to lower HbA1c in patients awaiting elective surgery within a relatively short time period.

### Study objective

to study the feasibility of lowering HbA1c before elective surgery in patients with suboptimalpoorly controlled DM (HbA1c >7%/53 mmol/mol).

### Study design

We will perform a single-centre open label pilot trial.

## **Intervention**

All participating subjects will be referred to the in-hospital diabetes nurse (IHDN) for optimisation of their DM treatment.

## **Study burden and risks**

Risk associated with this study are is comparable to routinely lowering HbA1c in the outpatient setting. The main risk is therefore hypoglycaemia, and this will be prevented as much as possible in clinical practice . Possible benefit is improvement of diabetes regulation and reduction in postoperative complications. In general, this study will be the first step towards a randomized controlled trial, studying the possible benefits of lowering postoperative complications in patients with DM.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

- Diagnosis of DM type 2 at least 3 months prior to the screening
- Adult patients, age 18-80 years inclusive
- HbA1c >7% (53 mmol/mol) as measured at the pre-assessment clinic
- Scheduled for elective surgery
- Willing and able to provide written informed consent

## Exclusion criteria

- Emergency surgery or scheduled surgery < 3 weeks
- Palliative oncological surgery
- Underlying condition that does not allow patients to participate in the study

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Health services research

### Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 06-10-2017

Enrollment: 20

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Date: 06-07-2017  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

ID: 29027  
Source: Nationaal Trial Register  
Title:

### In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL61715.018.17
Other	volgt
OMON	NL-OMON29027