# Ulipristal versus Gonadotropin-releasing hormone agonists prior to laparoscopic myomectomy: a double blind randomized controlled trial

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

**Health condition type** Reproductive neoplasms female benign

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON45087

## **Source**

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

Ulipristal vs GnRHa before laparoscopic myomectomy

#### **Condition**

Reproductive neoplasms female benign

#### **Synonym**

fibroids, myoma

## Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Gedeon Richter

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Intervention

**Keyword:** Fibroid, GnRH, Laparoscopy, Ulipristal

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

Total blood loss during laparoscopic myomectomy will be our main study

parameter.

Null-hypothesis: Ulipristal is non-inferior to GnRHa in terms of blood loss

during surgery when the average difference between the two groups is below 150

ml (standard deviation 250 ml).

**Secondary outcome** 

Secondary outcomes parameters will be reduction of fibroid volume after

pre-treatment assessed by 3 dimensional ultrasound (possibility to perform

detailed volume assessments afterwards), hemoglobin levels pre- and post

operatively, conversion rate to laparotomy, complication rate, re-intervention

rate, operative time, surgical ease (see table beneath tis paragraph),

breaching of uterine cavity, pain scores and use of analgesia post operatively,

quality of life during pre-operative treatment and post-operatively up till 6

months. The fibroid tissue will be histologically investigated to assess

vascular density and histological composition. A small part of the removed

tissue will be kept apart for this purpose. Direct and indirect medical and

non-medical costs will be used to perform a cost utility analysis.

Also, patients that do not want to participate (no pre-treatment) will be asked

to be included in the non-randomized control group:

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Title: pre-treatment versus no pre-treatment prior to laparoscopic myomectomy: a non-randomized comparison.

Objectives: same objectives as main study (pre-treatment versus no-pre-treatment)

pre-treatment in general can be compared to no pre-treatment.

Methods: Eligible patients that are not willing to participate in the trial

will not be pre-treated, or will be treated with the gold standard: GnRHa.

Those patients that choose not to be pre-treated will be asked to participate in the untreated, not-randomized control group and will (after informed consent) follow the same study flow as the randomized patients. This way,

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Rationale: Laparoscopic myomectomy is increasingly performed over laparotomic myomectomy, because of the many benefits for the patient in terms of pain, hospital stay and recovery. In order to increase the success rate of a laparoscopic procedure pre-treatment to decrease the volume might be beneficial. Gonadotropin-releasing hormone agonists (GnRHa) are used for this purpose with good results in terms of volume reduction, but sometimes resulting in loss of distinction of the right surgical planes. Ulipristal is a new pre-operative treatment option for symptomatic fibroids, which has demonstrated good results in terms of volume reduction. The effect on cleavage planes is unknown. This study is performed to evaluate if Ulipristal is as effective as GnRHa in terms of surgical outcome.

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complications, quality of life and costs.

## Study design

Study design: Double blind randomized controlled multi-center trial.

#### Intervention

Intervention: Three months of Ulipristal 5 mg once daily combined with a saline injection (produced as placebo of Leuproreline) or (comparison)a single 11.25 mg Leuproreline injection with placebo tablets (once daily).

## Study burden and risks

Both Ulipristal and GnRHa have been registered for this indication. Safety has been tested and no specific risks apply.

## **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

Women visiting the gynecological outpatient department with symptomatic fibroids will be screened for eligibility. In order to be eligible to participate in this trial, a subject must meet all of the following criteria:

- \* provide written consent prior to any study related procedures
- \* pre-menopausal
- \* a planned resection of a maximum of 2 FIGO (PALM-COEIN classification) type 3, 4, 5, 6 or 2-5 fibroids of >5 cm
- \* the(se) fibroid(s) should be between 5 and 12 cm (maximum diameter)
- \* other fibroids should be small (<2 cm), not clinically relevant, or not resectable (e.g. difficult position), or type 7 (any size)
- \* eligible for laparoscopic myomectomy

## **Exclusion criteria**

A potential subject who meets any of the following criteria will be excluded from participation in this trial:

- \* pregnancy
- \* (suspicion of) malignancy
- \* any type 0-2 fibroids smaller than 5 cm
- \* more than 2 type 3-6 fibroids > 5 cm that need to be removed (except type 7 fibroids of any size)
- \* use of any hormonal agents and not willing to discontinue their use
- \* use of anticoagulants
- \* coagulopathy
- \* Use of NSAIDs impacting bleeding before surgery
- \* Contraindication to laparoscopy procedure or causes of complications (multiple laparotomies, frozen pelvis, severe endometriosis)
- \* allergy to leuprolide acetate/comparable nonapeptides or Ulipristal

# Study design

## **Design**

Study phase:

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 27-01-2015

Enrollment: 99

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Esmya

Generic name: Ulipristal

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Lupron

Generic name: Leuprolide

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 01-10-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 17-12-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

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

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

EudraCT EUCTR2014-002832-15-NL

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