# DUAL HOMING MECHANISMS OF EOSINOPHILS TO THE SPUTUM; ONLY ONE OF WHICH IS SENSITIVE FOR MEPOLIZUMAB

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sputum and determination of the effect of Nucala® hereon.

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

**Health condition type** Bronchial disorders (excl neoplasms)

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON45761

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** 

**FOOTSTEP** 

#### **Condition**

• Bronchial disorders (excl neoplasms)

#### **Synonym**

asthma, shortness of breath

#### Research involving

Human

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** GlaxoSmithKline,Investigator sponsored 1 - DUAL HOMING MECHANISMS OF EOSINOPHILS TO THE SPUTUM; ONLY ONE OF WHICH IS SENSIT ...

studies programma van GlaxoSmithKline (GSK)

Intervention

**Keyword:** asthma, eosinophil, kinetics, mepolizumab

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

Main study parameters/endpoints: the main study parameter is enrichment of

2H-DNA in the DNA of eosinophils obtained at different time points after

labelling. The patients will be asked to drink 2H-glucose (1 g/kg) during 6 hrs

at time -5 days before the start of the treatment. After 5 days labelled

eosinophils will leave the bone marrow and the pulse of 2H-DNA can be followed

in blood and sputum. The kinetics of the pulse relates with the half-life of

the cells

**Secondary outcome** 

The secundary parameters are:

1. Th17/Th2 cytokine profile in peripheral blood. Data will be determined by

multiplex technology (Luminex)

2. Profile of eosinophil degranulation products in sputum samples.

**Study description** 

**Background summary** 

Eosinophil asthma, particularly the steroid unresponsive form, benefits from treatment with a monoclonal antibody (Mepolizumab/Nucala®) directed against IL-5 (terminal differentiation factor of eosinophils) The underlying mechanism is unclear as treatment with Nucala® needs > 6 months in order to establish a

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significant clinical effect, whereas the effect on eosinophils in blood and bone marrow is evident after 1-2 weeks.

#### Study objective

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#### Study design

Study design: the study is double-blind placebo controlled intervention study.

#### Intervention

Intervention (if applicable): the intervention is treatment with Nucala® (100 mg subcutaneously every 4 weeks/4 doses) or with placebo (saline, every 4 weeks/4 doses).

#### Study burden and risks

Nature and extent of the burden and risks associated with participation, benefit and group relatedness: the burden of the study is relatively high as the patients are asked to come for two days to the UMCU for the labelling days with 2H-glucose en for 10 visits for donation of blood (10 min) and 3 times donation of induced sputum 30 min. The risks of the study are minimal: no adverse effects has been linked to the treatment with Nucala® other than mild and reversible symptoms such as common cold, headache, nasal congestion, back pain and pyrexia. The labelling with 2H-glucose is safe as there has been no documented negative effects at the dose that is used in the study. Both venapunction and production of induced sputum are considered safe and cause only mild discomfort. Induced sputum might induce a mild shortage of breath that is easily treated with beta-2 agonists (bronchus dilators). The eosinophilic asthma patients are chosen as they have sufficient numbers of eosinophils in blood and sputum and Nucala® is registered for this patient group.

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### **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

## **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

- \* Age > 18 and younger than 70 years
- \* Diagnosis of eosinophil asthma despite use of corticosteroids
- \* Suitable for sputum induction
- \* >2.5% sputum eosinophils OR blood eosinophils > 0.25x10^9/L

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- \* Any acute or chronic infection (eg. HIV, Hepatitis, STDs, pneumonia, influenza etc.)
- \* Insulin dependent diabetes
- \* Smoking at present or in the last 12 months and/or a past history of more than 10 pack years
- \* Proven allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis
- \* Auto-immune diseases
- \* Use of immune modulating medication (such as NSAID's, monoclonal antibodies, purine antagonistis etc.) excluding:
- o Steroids used to treat asthma
- \* exuberant alcohol consumption (for males > 36 glasses per week, for females > 24 glasses per week)
- \* Drug use 4 - DUAL HOMING MECHANISMS OF EOSINOPHILS TO THE SPUTUM; ONLY ONE OF WHICH IS SENSIT ... 25-05-2025

- \* Active cancer or a cancer diagnosed < 5 years ago.
- \* Unstable disease despite high dose of systemic steroids (20 mg prednisolon or more)

## Study design

### **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Placebo

Primary purpose: Other

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 30-06-2017

Enrollment: 20

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Nucala

Generic name: Mepolizumab

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 14-02-2017

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

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Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

Date: 23-05-2018

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

Approved WMO

Date: 23-01-2019

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

## **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

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