

# Evaluation of gastric conduit perfusion with near infrared fluorescence imaging during esophagectomy: a pilot study

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON46607

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

EGAPERF (Evaluation of GAstric conduit PERFusion)

### Condition

- Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC

### Synonym

esophageal cancer

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

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

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Anastomotic leakage, Esophageal neoplasms, Esophageal Surgery, Near infrared fluorescence

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

- Visualization of the perfusion of the gastric conduit and wash-in and wash-out time of the ICG just before reconstruction of the anastomosis.
- Visualization of the perfusion of the anastomotic site after reconstruction of the anastomosis, also measuring the wash-in and wash-out time of the ICG.
- Postoperative anastomotic leakage. Anastomotic leakage is defined as clinical suspicion and confirmation by CT-scan of contrast, methylene blue, saliva or other ingested material into the drain or signs of anastomotic leakage during re-intervention or autopsy.

### Secondary outcome

- Monitor the procedure time; the total time of the surgical procedure is measured.
- Complications due to NIRF imaging with ICG

## Study description

### Background summary

Anastomotic leakage is a severe complication after esophagectomy and causes major complications and mortality. Local ischemia to the most distal part of the gastric conduit is thought to be the most important cause of anastomotic leakage. Better assessment of the perfusion of the gastric conduit and to identify the best level of the site of the anastomosis is needed. Near-infrared fluorescence (NIRF) of the gastric conduit with Indocyanine green (ICG) is a new technique to assess the gastric conduit perfusion. This technique is

already being used in some hospitals in the Netherlands and also worldwide.

### **Study objective**

This study is designed to assess the feasibility of NIRF with ICG during open or minimal invasive esophagectomy in order to assess the gastric conduit perfusion.

### **Study design**

Single center exploratory study

### **Study burden and risks**

The included patient will undergo a esophagectomy with gastric conduit reconstruction for esophageal cancer. In addition to this major procedure patients will undergo NIRF imaging after intravenous ICG administration. No additional treatments, testing, clinical visits or assessments are required besides the standard patient care. Patients already have intravenous access during the operation. ICG can cause (mild) side-effects in less than 0.0001% of the patients.

Esophagectomy is a major procedure with a high morbidity and mortality. Anastomotic leakage is a known severe complications. As this is an exploratory study no clinical decision will be made on findings by fluorescence. It is expected that the number of complications will not be different from regular esophagectomy without ICG fluorescence. The outcome of this exploratory study will potentially be of great importance to determine the added value of intra-operative ICG fluorescence imaging to assess the gastric conduit perfusion.

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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 scheduled for a minimal invasive (or open) esophagectomy for esophageal cancer with a gastric conduit reconstruction
- Aged 18 years or older
- Signed informed consent.

### Exclusion criteria

- Known pregnancy or breastfeeding
- Known iodine, shellfish or ICG hypersensitivity
- Known hyper-thyroidism
- Known liver or renal insufficiency
- Unable to provide informed consent

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped  
Start date (anticipated): 08-03-2018  
Enrollment: 70  
Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Date: 08-03-2018  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

## 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	NL64038.042.17