# Ultra-early tranexamic acid after subarachnoid hemorrhage. A prospective, randomized, multicenter study.

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Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Central nervous system vascular disorders

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON46921

#### **Source**

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

**ULTRA** 

## **Condition**

- Central nervous system vascular disorders
- Vascular haemorrhagic disorders

## **Synonym**

brain hemorrhage from a weak spot in an cerebral artery, hemorrhage in the subarachnoid space

## Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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

## Intervention

Keyword: functional outcome, subarachnoid hemorrhage, tranexamic acid, ultra-early

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Clinical outcome evaluated with a modified Rankin Scale score after six months, dichotomized into favourable and unfavourable outcome.

## **Secondary outcome**

- 1. If patient has deceased: the date and cause of death
- 2. Cause of poor outcome
- 3. Possible or definite rebleed, rebleed volume, and time interval with first hemorrhage
- 4. Rebleed during endovascular or surgical treatment
- 5. Thromboembolic events during endovascular treatment
- 6. Delayed cerebral ischemia (DCI)
- 7. Extracranial thrombosis
- 8. Treatment for hydrocephalus (therapeutic lumbar puncture, lumbar or ventricular drainage or definitive shunt)
- 9. Hemorrhagic complications (intra- and extracranial)
- 10. Time interval from last hemorrhage to TXA administration
- 11. Discharge location
- 12. Infarctions and infarctions volumes on MRI imaging at six months after
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endovascular treatment

- 13. Health-care costs between discharge and six months after hemorrhage
- 14. Quality of life six months after hemorrhage
- 15. Gender
- 16. WFNS grade at admittance

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Approximately 50% of all patients with a subarachnoid hemorrhage (SAH) die due to the hemorrhage or subsequent complications. There are several major causes for this course, such as in-hospital rebleed in 21.5% which most frequently occurs within the first 6 hours after the primary hemorrhage (\*ultra-early rebleed\*). A major part of the patients with a rebleed die during hospital admission and when they survive, they develop more severe cognitive dysfunctions. Reducing the rebleeds by ultra-early administration of tranexamic acid (TXA) could be a major factor in improving the functional outcome after SAH.

## **Study objective**

To evaluate whether SAH patients treated by state-of-the-art SAH management with additional ultra-early and short term TXA administration have a significantly higher percentage of favourable outcome after six months (score 0-3 on the Modified Rankin Scale) compared to the group treated by up-to-date SAH management without additional TXA.

## Study design

Multicenter, prospective, randomized, open label treatment with blind endpoint assessment.

#### Intervention

TXA group: standard treatment with additional administration of 1 g TXA intravenously in ten minutes, immediately after the diagnosis SAH, succeeded by continuous infusion of 1 g per 8 hours until a maximum of 24 hours. Control group: standard treatment with no TXA administration. Both groups undergo a standardized and validated interview at discharge and six months after

hemorrhage to assess the modified Rankin Scale score, and both groups receive a questionnaire to evaluate health-care costs and quality of life.

## Study burden and risks

Subjects are randomly allocated to ultra-early TXA therapy or standard treatment. Complications are minor and the expected benefit is large compared with separate studies done with antifibrinolytic medications. In these studies, the safety of the use of these medications in this study population is confirmed.

In this patient group there are adequate, disoriented and comatose patients on admission, so a part of the studied patients are incapacitated when undergoing the study. To extrapolate the conclusions of this study to clinical protocols it is necessary to include patients with a SAH in all different severity grades. Weighing carefully the benefits versus the burden and risks, it is assumed that patients will benefit from ultra-early TXA administration with minimal burden during therapy.

## **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

- Admission to one of the participating study centers or the participating referring hospitals;
- CT-confirmed SAH with most recent ictus less than 24 hours ago
- Age 18 years and older

## **Exclusion criteria**

- No proficiency of the Dutch or English language
- No loss of consciousness after the hemorrhage with World Federation of Neurological Surgeons (WFNS) grade 1 or 2 on admission in combination with a perimesencephalic hemorrhage
- Bleeding pattern on CT compatible with a traumatic SAH
- Treatment for deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism
- History of blood coagulation disorder (a hypercoagulability disorder)
- Pregnancy checked with a pregnancy test in women in their childbearing period
- History of severe renal (serum creatinin > 150 mmol/L) failure
- Imminent death within 24 hours

# Study design

## **Design**

Study phase: 3

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

**Primary purpose:** Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 15-07-2013

Enrollment: 950

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Cyklokapron

Generic name: Tranexamic acid

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 14-08-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 06-09-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 27-11-2012

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 15-02-2013

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 01-03-2013

Application type: Amendment

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 EUCTR2012-000343-26-NL

CCMO NL39577.018.12

Other NTR 11024

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