# Safety assessment of cold gas plasma on intact skin

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Secondary objectives: The effect of cold plasma treatment on: 1...

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

Health condition type Hepatobiliary neoplasms malignant and unspecified

**Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON47073

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Cold plasma on skin

## **Condition**

- Hepatobiliary neoplasms malignant and unspecified
- Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders

#### Synonym

burn wound infection, wound contamination

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Vereniging Samenwerkende Brandwondencentra Nederland

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: zonMw

#### Intervention

Keyword: Gas Plasma, Pain, Safety, Skin

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Safety of plasma treatment: occurance of SAE and pain scores will be recorded.

Plasma treatment is considere safe when in \* 10% moderate SAE due to the

treatment.

Pain: a VAT score above 2 is considered as a cutoff value for SAE.

#### **Secondary outcome**

The effect of plasma treatment on TEWL, local skin temperature, colorimetry and bacterial load will be determined.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Burn patients are at risk of wound colonization or infection because of reduced immune responses and a large exposed surface area. The presence of micro-organisms in (burn) wounds can have a serious impact on wound healing and can result in complications and a longer length of stay. Antimicrobial treatments with crèmes are not sufficient and can even be detrimental to wound healing. Since bacterial (multi)drug resistance continues to increase steadily, use of (systemic) antibiotics is limited.

Cold gas plasma can offer a new alternative to combat bacteria in (burn)wounds. Cold gas plasma can be created by discharging gas at roomtemperature, at normal atmospheric pressure. Contact of plasma with ambient air results in the creation of active particles such as oxygen and nitrogen radicals. Production of these particles can be adjusted to a safe level. Plasma has the ability to kill high numbers of bacteria in minutes whitout causing damage to skin cells and is therefor a powerful method to prevent and treat infections.

## Study objective

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Secondary objectives:

The effect of cold plasma treatment on:

- 1. skin characteristics: colour/pigmentation, temperature, barrière function (TEWL)
- 2. killing of bacteria on intact skin

## Study design

- 1. Tests for safety and absence of pain on 10 volunteers.
- 2. Determine the effect of plasma on bacterial survival on skin of 15 volunteers. Safety aspects are included as well.

#### Intervention

Volunteers will be treated once with cold gas plasma.

## Study burden and risks

Expected risks include skin sensations (pain, paresthia, warmth), which in previous studies ranged from none to mild symptoms that were deemed acceptable by the subjects.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

- -18 years or older,
- -have completed informed consent forms;
- -able and willing to comply with the research protocol;
- -no language barrier

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Atopic dermatitis or other skin disease
- Implanted electrical medical devices such cardiac pacemakers
- Pregnant or lactating women
- Patients with infected wounds.
- Life-threatening cardiac conductivity abnormality
- Active malignancy
- Women of childbearing age not using contraceptive measures

# Study design

# **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 08-06-2018

Enrollment: 25

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Cold atmospheric gas plasma device

Registration: No

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 29-05-2017

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 22-03-2018

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

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