# 18F-Flutemetamol PET/MRI for detection of plaque vulnerability in atherosclerosis

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To validate 18F-Flutemetamol PET in the evaluation of plaque vulnerability.

Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Recruitment stopped
Health condition type	Arteriosclerosis, stenosis, vascular insufficiency and necrosis
Study type	Observational invasive

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON47765

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** PET/MRI and plaque vulnerability: Flutemetamol

# Condition

• Arteriosclerosis, stenosis, vascular insufficiency and necrosis

Synonym arteriosclerosis, atherosclerosis

**Research involving** Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Medisch Universitair Ziekenhuis Maastricht **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Stichting de Weijerhorst

## Intervention

Keyword: Amyloid, Atherosclerosis, Flutemetamol, PET/MRI

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Tracer uptake in the carotid artery will be correlated to vulnerable plaque characteristics on MRI. In the 5-10 CEA patients, tracer uptake and MR imaging of different plaque characteristics will be validated with plaque histology of the surgically removed specimen.

#### Secondary outcome

Tracer uptake in the brain.

Tracer uptake in the coronary arteries.

Radiological characteristics of (early) dementia, as assessed with brain MRI.

Medication use.

Cognitive symptoms based on subjective complaints prior to hospitalization.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

18F-flutemetamol is a PET tracer with high affinity for amyloid beta (Abeta). This has been extensively studied in Alzheimer disease (AD) patients. However, Abeta seems not only to be involved in AD pathology, but also has a role in atherosclerosis, which might explain the remarkable similarities in risk factors between these two pathologies. In vitro studies suggest that a major part of this association is based on the ability of amyloid to lead to macrophage activation and hence inflammation. These data lead to the hypothesis that Abeta is associated with plaque vulnerability

#### **Study objective**

To validate 18F-Flutemetamol PET in the evaluation of plaque vulnerability.

#### Study design

A cross-sectional validation study.

#### Study burden and risks

For optimal MR imaging patients will be injected with a Gadolinium based contrast agent, which is a common procedure and associated with very low risk of complications. The PET tracer 18F-flutemetamol has been studied extensively and is currently used in patients with AD. Adverse events were not frequent and mainly mild. The radioactivity dose will be minimized.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

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

## **Inclusion criteria**

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Age 18 years and older (no maximum age) Informed consent by signed informed consent form regarding this study Either: Patients, who are scheduled for carotid endarterectomy (CEA) Or: Patients who are not scheduled to undergo a CEA, but have experienced a TIA/CVA/amaurosis fugax within the last 14 days and at least a 30% stenosis of the symptomatic carotid artery as based on imaging.

# **Exclusion criteria**

Severe cognitive impairment, neurological deficit or comorbidity causing the study to be too high a burden for the patient or disrupting patient\*s co-operation with scan procedures.

Evident other causality for stroke (cardiac embolus, small vessel disease,

carotid dissection or thrombogenic diathesis).

Pregnant women and nursing mothers.

Contra-indications for MRI.

\*Relative contra-indications for MRI-contrast agent: GFR

<30ml/min/1,73m2/Previous allergic reaction to MRI contrast agent.

Contra-indication Flutemetamol: Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients, severe liver dysfunction

# 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):	15-01-2018
Enrollment:	25
Туре:	Actual

# Medical products/devices used

Product type:	Medicine
Brand name:	Vizamyl
Generic name:	18F-Flutemetamol

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO	
Date:	03-11-2016
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)
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Review commission:	METC academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht/Universiteit Maastricht, METC azM/UM (Maastricht)

# **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	EUCTR2016-002911-16-NL
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