# **Brain Activity and Motor Behaviour in Infants**

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Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type**Neurological disorders NEC **Study type**Observational non invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

**NL-OMON48157** 

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

**BAMBI** 

#### **Condition**

Neurological disorders NEC

#### **Synonym**

developmental disorders, Healthy infants

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

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van Dr. Ying-Chin Wu (bron: Taiwanese Ministry of Science and Technology)

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** 3D-kinematics, EEG, EMG, General movements

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Muscle coordination patterns (EMG-activity): especially duration of bursts,

degree of antagonist co-activation and EMG-EMG coherence

#### **Secondary outcome**

Corticomuscular (EEG-EMG) coherence, and kinematic characteristics, especially intra-limb joint angle correlation.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

General movements (GMs) are present from early fetal life until 3-5 months corrected age. It is well known that the assessment of the quality of the GMs has predictive value in identifying infants at risk of cerebral palsy (CP) and other developmental disorders. Currently GM-quality is assessed by means of human Gestalt analysis of video recordings of GMs. Little is known on the neurodevelopmental organization, e.g., in terms of muscle coordination patterns and cortical activity, underlying both the presence of GMs and the transition of GMs to goal-directed activity.

#### **Study objective**

To study the neural basis of i) general movements including the transition to the last phase of general movements, the fidgety movements, en ii) the transition from general movements into goal-directed movements using electromyography (EMG), electroencephalograpy (EEG) and 3D-kinematic video data. This knowledge will facilitate the development of automatic movement analysis systems.

#### Study design

Longitudinal cohort study

#### Study burden and risks

The infants will be assessed 4 four times (at 1, 3, 5 and 18 months of age \* the last assessment serves the documentation of developmental outcome). The assessments will take place at the babylab at the Institute of Developmental Neurology at the UMCG. If the infant is tired, crying or hungry, the assessment is stopped. It is discussed with the parents whether it is possible to reschedule the appointment at a later point in time. The data can only be obtained by studying infants. Benefits of participation for infant and family consist of getting detailed information on infant motor development in general and on the infant\*s current developmental status \* if desired.

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# **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Children (2-11 years)

#### Inclusion criteria

Healthy full-term infants, i.e. an infant born after a gestational age of at least 37 weeks without prenatal, perinatal or neonatal complications, younger than 1 month of age (first assessment at age of 1 month).

#### **Exclusion criteria**

Infants will be excluded from the study in case of:

- severe congenital abnormalities, such as serious congenital heart disorders or a chromosomal condition
- birthweight below the tenth percentile
- neurological abnormalities
- parents have insufficient understanding of the Dutch language

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 11-11-2019

Enrollment: 30

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 03-04-2019

Application type: First submission

# **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 NL68295.042.19