Shoulder muscle activation in patients with a rotator cuff tear compared to age matched patients with no rotator cuff tear, a clinical EMG study

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Ethical review Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

Study type Observational invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON48376

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

Shoulder EMG study

Condition

Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

Synonym

shoulder tendon tear

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

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

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Intervention

Keyword: EMG, rotator cuff tear, shoulder

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

1 To measure the activation of the different muscles of the shoulder girdle during movements, surface and indwelling EMG measurements are taken during specific movements and tasks.

2 The movements and instructions are simultaneously measured and registered with 2 camera*s and a microphone

The EMG registration is transferred to a digital database.

Secondary outcome

the following shoulder questionnaire is filled in at home: the Western Ontario Rotator Cuff Score. For a judgment of the psychological health, the EQ-5 is taken.

The Constant Murley Score is filled in during the visit

Study description

Background summary

Patients with a rotator cuff tear have a different movement pattern and this eventually can lead to a pseudo paralysis. First it starts with alterations in muscle activation without effect on shoulder movement. Some studies are done to investigate the function of the remaining attached muscles, but most are not related to the movement of the shoulder. Also no control group, matched for age, with an intact rotator cuff was used. There is an indication that the long head biceps tendon has an important function as it is the remaining structure preventing the humeral head to migrate superiorly if the rotator cuff is torn.

We try to investigate the effect of a cuff rupture on the remaining shoulder muscles in the older patient. Thereby hoping to find new methods for training and surgical options.

Study objective

To compare the shoulder muscle activation and movements in patients having a rotator cuff tear with subjects, matched for age, with no cuff tear.

Study design

a prospective case controlled study

Study burden and risks

Patient may experience some discomfort by performing several movements with their affect limb. The surface EMG measurements will give no discomfort, the intra-muscular needle EMG measurements will give some minor discomfort. The needle EMG measurements will be performed by a trained, experienced research team. Patients of the control group will have an ultrasonography of the shoulder with no discomfort or potential hazard. Patients may benefit from the extra examination as it may give directions for further conservative or surgical treatment.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

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

Inclusion criteria

rotator cuff tear with Patte stage 2 or 3 retraction

Exclusion criteria

other impairment of the shoulder

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational invasive

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 27-03-2019

Enrollment: 20

Type: Actual

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 05-03-2019

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 NL68208.042.18