# Influence of dose interval on the pharmacokinetics of both unbound and total fractions of clozapine and norclozapine in psychiatric patients in the Netherlands

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders

**Study type** Observational invasive

## Summary

#### ID

NL-OMON48672

**Source** 

**ToetsingOnline** 

**Brief title** 

**INPUT** study

#### **Condition**

Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders

#### **Synonym**

psychosis, Schizophrenia

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Albert Schweitzer Ziekenhuis

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Wetenschapscommissie ASz

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** clozapine, dose regimen, norclozapine, population pharmacokinetics

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The main study parameters are the total and unbound clozapine and norclozapine plasma concentrations at specified time points. With these concentrations characterised pharmacokinetic profiles as well as metabolic ratio and protein binding of clozapine and norclozapine in OID and BID dosing regimens, will be determined.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Secondary endpoints are the frequency or discomfort of clozapine\*s side effects.

## **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The antipsychotic clozapine has widely been recognised as the golden standard in treatment-resistant schizophrenia and partially responsive schizophrenia. The Dutch Guideline for the use of clozapine recommends that, preferably, clozapine should be given once daily (OID), before sleep, to relief the discomfort of side effects such as sedation, orthostatic hypotension and hypersalivation over the day, without assigning restrictions to a maximum dose. Accordingly, in the Netherlands there seems to be a shift towards OID dosing of clozapine at the end of the day. Though an OID regimen may be beneficial for drug adherence, benefits regarding relief of side effects have not been proven

yet. Moreover, all the available pharmacokinetic studies with clozapine are based on the twice-a-day (BID) regimen, as is the established clozapine threshold concentration for effect (0.30-0.35mg/l). However, in practice the same clozapine plasma reference concentrations, are used to guide therapy for both single and divided dose schedules, but it is not known whether this is legitimate or not.

#### **Study objective**

The aim of this study is to assess the differences in the pharmacokinetic properties of clozapine and norclozapine when clozapine is used OID or BID in psychiatric patients, examining both clozapine and norclozapine concentrations and its unbound fractions and total concentrations. Ultimately, the knowledge of the full pharmacokinetic profile will facilitate in developing an evidence based therapeutic window for clozapine when used OID. Additionally, we will explore the influence of dose frequency on the impact and frequency of clozapine\*s side effects in relation with the clozapine plasma concentration found in this study, using the UKU (Udvalg for Kliniske Undersogelser) ratingscale.

#### Study design

This is a multicentre, non-randomised, open label study, using a limited sampling strategy and population pharmacokinetic analyses.

#### Study burden and risks

The study will be conducted among psychiatric in- and outpatients receiving clozapine therapy OID or BID as part of their regular treatment. Thus, patients are not designated to any investigational treatment nor to any dosing regimen different from their normal treatment. In participants using clozapine OID in total 9 (or 10) blood samples will be drawn at the study day (7 (or 8) for clozapine and norclozapine analysis and 2 for analysis of co-variates). All samples will be taken within 12 hours after the start of the study day, using the Venflon multiple sample sleeve, allowing collection of numerous samples through a single venepuncture and thereby reducing the number of venapunctures. A physician trained and competent in blood sampling will be installed at the study location for drawing blood at specified time points. He/she will also monitor both psychiatric and somatic signs of the participants in order to detect any psychiatric or somatic discomfort, stress or other disturbing signs during the study day.

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

## **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

- \* Age \*18 \* 70 years
- \* Clozapine use BID or OID
- \* Capacity to speak and read the Dutch language.
- \* Mental competency and decisional capacity with regard to participation in the current study
- \* Absence of active suicidality
- \* Clozapine use in \*steady state\* (i.e. same dose and frequency for \*7 days)
- \* Signed Informed consent

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- \* \*inbewaringstelling\* (IBS)
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- \* \*rechterlijke machtiging\* (RM)
- \* Pregnancy (if known)
- \* Initiation, cessation or dose change of the following co-medication within 7 days prior to blood sampling:
- o Fluvoxamine
- o Hormonal anti-conceptive,
- o Ciprofloxacin,
- o Phenytoin,
- o Valproic acid,
- o Carbamazepine
- o Rifampicin.
- \* Acute inflammation / infection (derived from having fever (i.e. body temperature >38.0 degrees Celsius and/or using an antibiotic at time of blood sampling).
- \* Smoking (of tobacco containing products) initiation or cessation < 7 days before participation

# Study design

## **Design**

Study phase: 4

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 13-03-2019

Enrollment: 50

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Leponex and Clozaril

Generic name: Clozapine

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 29-03-2018

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 05-09-2018

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 16-05-2019

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 24-06-2019

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

ID: 26619 Source: NTR

Title:

# In other registers

Register ID

EudraCT EUCTR2017-004834-26-NL

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