High Loading Dose of Paracetamol in the Emergency Department

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Ethical review Approved WMO

Status Pending

Health condition type Other condition **Study type** Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON49837

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

HiDoP

Condition

Other condition

Synonym

pain

Health condition

patienten met pijn op de spoedeisende hulp

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: Emergence Department, loading-dose, paracetamol

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

- Change in NRS-score.

Secondary outcome

Difference in the need for use of other analgetics. (NSAIDS, Opioids, Ketanest)

To examine if there is a change in the amount of side-effects during admission in the Emergency Department after a high loading dose of Paracetamol has been given.

Study description

Background summary

An adequate and quick analgesic effect is desirable in the Emergency Department where some patients can be in severe pain. There appears to be an absent ceiling effect of paracetamol. Also, a high loading dose of 2 grams can be given safely to healthy adults. Opioids have numerous undesirable side-effects like respiratory depression and vomiting, resulting in adverse events such as apnoea or aspiration.

Study objective

To investigate if a high loading dose of 2 grams paracetamol has a beneficial effect on pain sensation or has an opioid-sparing effect in patients with pain in the Emergency Department

Study design

a prospective double-blind placebo-controlled study.

Intervention

2 grams of Paracetamol given orally vs 1 gram of paracetamol given orally

Study burden and risks

The risks are negligible.

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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 years and older Presence of acute pain (pain started less than 24 hours ago) with an NRS-score of >3

Exclusion criteria

- Weight <50kg
- Use of paracetamol in the last 6 hours
- Daily use of paracetamol
- Known pregnancy
- History of liver insufficiency and/or cirrhosis
- Kidney-insufficiency
- Malnutrition
- Alcohol-addicts
- Thoracic pain
- Patients suspect of intracranial hemorrhage
- Patients suspect of pain due to aneurysma or arterial dissection,
- Patients with chronic pain
- Impossibility to use NRS (physical or cognitive impairment)
- Non-Dutch speaking
- No informed consent
- Known allergy to paracetamol

Study design

Design

Study phase: 4

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-09-2020

Enrollment: 198

Type: Anticipated

Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: acetaminophen

Generic name: acetaminophen

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 19-10-2020

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

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