

# Prevalence of patent foramen ovale (PFO) in patients with angina and documented coronary artery vasospasm

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Coronary artery disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON51029

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

PROVA-study

### Condition

- Coronary artery disorders
- Cardiac and vascular disorders congenital

### Synonym

Patent Foramen Ovale

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** AUMC

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Angina, Coronary artery vasospasm, Patent Foramen Ovale, Prevalence

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

- Prevalence of PFO and RLS in patients with documented coronary artery vasospasm (TTE with agitated-saline)
- Quality of Life at baseline --> Seattle Angina Questionnaires (SAQ) score and Migraine Disability Assessment Questionnaire (MIDAS) score

### Secondary outcome

- Exercise testing in patients with coronary artery vasospasm and RLS
- QoL during follow up
- Number of episodes of angina symptoms will be assessed
- Number of episodes of migraine headaches will be assessed
- Association between exercise capacity, QoL and exercise-related oxygen (de)saturation in patients with coronary artery vasospasm and a RLS
- Measurement of VO<sub>2</sub> max during exercise testing
- Measurement of oxygen saturation

## Study description

### Background summary

Patent Foramen Ovale (PFO) and atrial septal defect (ASD) have been associated with the occurrence of paradoxical embolism. Current guidelines and position reports recommend diagnostic work-up in young patients with cryptogenic stroke and closure of PFO in selected cases. In addition to the association between PFO and cryptogenic stroke, there are many reports of patients with a PFO that suffer a systemic arterial embolism causing arterial occlusion of extremities,

renal infarcts and acute myocardial infarction with paradoxical embolism in the coronary artery.

In addition, PFO has been associated with migraine with aura, suggesting that vaso-active components of the venous circulation, when bypassing the lungs through a right-to-left-shunt (RLS), may modulate the cerebral microcirculation causing migraine. Although recent randomized trials have not demonstrated that PFO closure is superior to medical therapy in migrainers, PFO closure has been shown to abolish migraine in 9% of patients and reduce the number of monthly migraine days with 3 days in a recent meta-analysis.

In a recent study, an association was demonstrated between migraine and coronary spasm, although there was no association with coronary heart disease (CHD) events. Importantly, anti-migraine medication such as triptans may cause coronary spasm. RLS can be a trigger for the occurrence of migraine headaches and is postulated to be a trigger for episodes of angina complaints due to coronary spasm.

### **Study objective**

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### **Study design**

This is a single-center, prospective, cohort study. Open label with follow up at 6 months.

### **Study burden and risks**

After signing informed consent, patients will undergo transthoracic echocardiography (TTE) with intravenous agitated-saline to evaluate the presence of RLS. Patients with a PFO and RLS will be invited to undergo exercise testing including VO<sub>2</sub>max and oxygen saturation measurement. Patients will be surveyed with the Seattle Angina Questionnaires (SAQ) and Migraine Disability Assessment Questionnaire (MIDAS). They will report general well-being, daily activities, and episodes of angina and migraine. Patients with RLS will be asked to measure oxygen saturation with a pulseoximeter at set intervals during the follow-up period, e.g. before and during exercises.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

- Adult patients with documented coronary artery vasospasm with an intracoronary acetylcholine provocation testing
- Able to measure oxygen saturation with a pulseoximeter
- Able to undergo TTE with agitated saline testing
- Able to perform Valsalva manoeuvre for reliable RLS assessment
- Able to undergo VO<sub>2</sub>max exercise testing

### Exclusion criteria

- Life expectancy < 1 year
- Active infection requiring antibiotic therapy, including endocarditis or other disabling serious illness
- Absence of images of adequate quality with TTE due to anatomical reasons (\*no adequate TTE windows\*\*)
- Inability to provide written informed consent
- Inability to comply with outpatient visit at hospital during 6 months follow-up

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 12-10-2021

Enrollment: 100

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 19-08-2021

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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Date: 21-09-2023

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## Study registrations

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

No registrations found.

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

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### In other registers

<b>Register</b>	<b>ID</b>
CCMO	NL78011.018.21
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