Systolic phases with laminar and turbulent flow in peripheral arteries of patients with congenital valvular aortic stenosis

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Ethical review Approved WMO

Status Recruiting

Health condition type Cardiac valve disorders **Study type** Observational non invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON51209

Source

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Brief title

Systolic phases in aortic stenosis

Condition

Cardiac valve disorders

Synonym

stenotic heart valve

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Martini Ziekenhuis

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

Intervention

Keyword: aortic, flow, stenosis, turbulence

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

The presence or absence of turbulence in blood flow velocity measurements in proximal are distal arteries.

De phase during systole that turbulence is observed.

Secondary outcome

timing of stroke onset at different measuring points in the arterial system with respect to the R-peak of a simultaneously recorded QRS-complex

Study description

Background summary

Blood flow velocity measurements in patients with congenital aortic valvular stenosis contains a certain amount of turbulence when measured distal to the stenosis. This turbulence spreads over the arterial tree and can be measured or heard by means of duplex ultrasonography.

In the past a single subject observation was made that this turbulence does not contain the full duration of systole but may be preceded by a brief period of non/turbulent or laminar flow. This observation, when confirmed in a larger series, may provide new insight in the physiology of the cardiovascular system. It may support the theory of acceleration, formulated in 2014, that during the first few instances the ejection phase of the heart is supported by a brief contraction within the arterial tree that travels like a peristaltic wave along its branches enabling the pressure of cardiac contraction to reach out into all the bodies capillary systems.

Study objective

In a way, the turbulence elicited by blood passing the stenotic valve can be seen as 'labeling' the ejection phase of the heart. This makes it possible to

distinguish this phase from the presumed phase of arterial contraction. Systematic research describing these two phases may provide support or denial to the theory of arterial acceleration.

Study design

Measuring bloodflow velocity in different locations within the arterial tree in patients with a congenital aortic valve stenosis who are enlisted for aortic surgery. Patients with a severe aortic valve stenosis will be operated (valve replacement or valve reconstruction). The patients will be examined prior to as well as after surgery. Patients with a moderate stenosis will not be operated but are nevertheless investigated twice with a 3 month interval. Finally, a control group of patients without aortic valve stenosis will also be investigated twice with a 3 month interval.

By describing flow velocity patterns qualitatively measurements are assessed on the presence of turbulence within proximal and distal arteries. By comparing preoperative with postoperative measurements it will be investigated whether turbulence decreases as expected after successfull surgery.

Study burden and risks

Participants are twice asked to come to the Martini Hospital in Groningen for an ultrasound investigation of 90 min. duration.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Inclusion criteria

moderate (5) or severe (5) congenital valvular aortic stenosis or patients who were proven to have no valvular aortic stenosis (5)

Exclusion criteria

atrial fibrillation

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

Recruitment

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Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 20-02-2022

Enrollment: 15

Type: Actual

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 28-07-2021

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

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Title:

In other registers

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