# Targeted fluorescence imaging using bevacizumab-800CW within Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) patients to evaluate the upregulation of VEGF

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To determine the safety and feasibility of fluorescence imaging of the eye vascularization with the fluorescent tracer bevacizumab-800CW for identification of neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) with scanning laser angiography.

Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Completed
Health condition type	Retina, choroid and vitreous haemorrhages and vascular disorders
Study type	Interventional

# Summary

### ID

NL-OMON52066

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** Targeted fluorescence imaging in AMD

# Condition

• Retina, choroid and vitreous haemorrhages and vascular disorders

#### Synonym

age related macula degeneration

**Research involving** 

Human

### **Sponsors and support**

#### Primary sponsor: Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

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#### Source(s) of monetary or material Support: PPP project, Tracer BV

### Intervention

Keyword: AMD, bevacizumab, macula degeneration, VEGF

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The measured fluorescence intensity by observing the uptake in retinal, choroid

and neovascular tissue.

Safety evaluation of vital parameters, adverse events (AE), serious adverse

events (SAE) and suspected unexpected serious adverse reactions (SUSAR);

#### Secondary outcome

- The optimal dose of bevacizumab-800CW in AMD patients
- The correlation between the fluorescence intensity, target-to-background

ratio (TBR) and the disease subtype and severity.

- The difference in uptake between bevacizumab-800CW and vedolizumab-800CW.
- The correlation between the VEGF expression within the tear and the

fluorescence signal

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) is an eye disease that destroys the macula, the part of the eye that provides sharp, central vision. It is the third leading cause of blindness. 'Dry' AMD is the most common form, but we are mainly interested in 'wet' AMD. In this type overexpression of VEGF-A causes neovascularization and thereby progression of the disease. These patients are treated with intravitreal anti-VEGF-A injections, though progression is still observed.

With injection of the fluorescent tracer bevacizumab-800 CW (anti-VEGF-A) we

might enable a better understanding of the pathophysiology of VEGF mediated retinal diseases and response to anti-VEGF therapy.

#### Study objective

To determine the safety and feasibility of fluorescence imaging of the eye vascularization with the fluorescent tracer bevacizumab-800CW for identification of neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) with scanning laser angiography.

### Study design

The current study is a non-randomized, non-blinded, prospective, single-center feasibility study.

For the AMD-Bevacizumab two times six patients will be included who receive either 4.5 or 15 mg bevacizumab-800CW. After inclusion of these first twelve patients, an interim analysis will be performed to determine the target-to-background (TBR) in the in vivo images. After the interim analysis, either the 4.5 or 15 mg group will be extended to a maximum of 12 patients. If no fluorescence is detected, the study will be closed after the interim analysis.

Additionally, two types of control groups are added. A tracer control group and a disease control group. The first includes patients with neovascular AMD receiving vedolizumab-800CW to verify the specific binding of the tracer. The latter, includes a group of patients who already receives the tracer bevacizumab-800CW but do not have AMD, to verify difference in signal between disease and no-disease. The AMD-Vedolizumab group will consist of six patients receiving only the optimal doses which is established after the interim analysis.

All patients receive standard clinical care followed by study measurements. Patients will receive an extra OCT and fluorescence measurements before, during and until 1 hour after tracer administration. Patients with AMD (both vedolizumab and bevacizumab) will have an additional measurement at 48-96 hours after administration.

#### Intervention

Patients receive either bevacizumab-800CW or vedolizumab-800CW. On day 0 they receive both a clinical angiography and a study-related angiography. Additionally, after 48-72 hours a second study-related angiography is performed.

#### Study burden and risks

No additional risks are expected as previously performed studies with the tracers bevacizumab and vedolizumab-800CW did not show any risks. There is some extra time investment of the patient of 4 hours when joining this research.

# Contacts

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# **Trial sites**

# **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

Age Elderly (65 years and older)

# **Inclusion criteria**

4.2 Inclusion criteria (Patient population)

 $\bullet$  Patients with naı̈ve neovascular AMD or neovascular AMD suspected of active disease

• Aged >60years old

• Patients can be included if they already receive therapeutic bevacizumab injections for AMD.

Inclusion criteria (Control population)

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## **Exclusion criteria**

4.3 Exclusion criteria (both populations)

A potential subject who meets any of the following criteria will be excluded from participation in this study:

- Eye pathology interfering with retinal imaging
- Patients with psychological diseases or medical issues who are not able to sign informed consent form;
- · Concurrent uncontrolled medical conditions;
- Received a different investigational drug within 30 days prior to the dose of bevacizumab-800CW;
- History of infusion reactions to bevacizumab or other monoclonal antibody.

# Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Diagnostic

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Completed
Start date (anticipated):	28-11-2022
Enrollment:	24
Туре:	Actual

# Medical products/devices used

Product type:	Medicine
Brand name:	Bevacizumab-800CW
Generic name:	Bevacizumab-800CW
Product type:	Medicine
Brand name:	vedolizumab-800CW
Generic name:	vedolizumab-800CW

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO	
Date:	11-05-2022
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	05-07-2022
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Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)

# **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

EudraCT ClinicalTrials.gov CCMO ID EUCTR2021-003726-74-NL NCT05262244 NL78391.056.22