# Effectiveness and cost-utility of telemonitoring lab results and e-consultations in rheumatoïd artritis.

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO

**Status** Pending

Health condition type Autoimmune disorders

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON52237

Source

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** 

Joint Monitoring

#### **Condition**

· Autoimmune disorders

#### **Synonym**

Rheumatoïd arthritis

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Maasstadziekenhuis

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Maasstad ziekenhuis

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** CEA, E-health, Home health monitoring, Lab results, Lancet, Rheumatoïd artritis, Societal perspective, Telecare, Telehealth, Telemedicine, Utility

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The main study parameters are the effects measured in Patient Reported

Outcomes, making use of the EQ-5D questionnaires and the societal costs

associated with the implementation of telemonitoring amongst RA patients.

#### **Secondary outcome**

N/A

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The conventional healthcare provision is shifting more and more from hospitals to the living room of RA patients in an attempt to improve the value of healthcare delivered to patients. As a result of COVID-19, the uptake of e-health and telecare has increased. E-health and telemonitoring are considered as promising methods to observe patients remotely, thereby easing the burden for patients and shifting to a patient-centered healthcare system. Furthermore, telemonitoring is expected to become part of the usual care delivered by hospitals. In the JOINT Monitoring study we will introduce telemonitoring by the remote controlling of essential laboratory results and performing e-consultations.

#### Study objective

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#### Study design

In the JOINT Monitoring study, we will conduct a cost-effectiveness analysis considering a societal perspective. The research design following the

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cost-effectiveness study, is a non-randomized control study that will be performed at the outpatient department of the Maasstad Hospital, the Albert Schweitzer Hospital and the Medisch Spectrum Twente. The follow-up period will be 12 months.

#### Intervention

Applying the use of lancets at home for the (tele)monitoring of the essential laboratory results and the e-consultation is the intervention. The intervention is the shift from blood sampling and consultation at the hospital site to the home of the patient.

#### Study burden and risks

We qualified the risk of this study based on the guideline by the NFU (Dutch Federation of University Medical Centers) about quality insurance in human research (\*Kwaliteitsborging van mensgebonden onderzoek\*). The NFU guideline states that the extent of risk has to be estimated by considering the additional risk of an intervention compared to standard treatment.

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# **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

# **Inclusion criteria**

- Diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis as stated by the rheumatologist;
- Reported Patient Reported Outcomes Measures;
- Minimum age of 18 years;
- Able to provide informed consent;
- Literacy in Dutch.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Arthritis other than rheumatoid arthritis;
- Unable to take blood samples via lancets.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

**Primary purpose:** Diagnostic

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2022

Enrollment: 142

Type: Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 22-04-2022

Application type: First submission

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

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 15-06-2022
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

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

CCMO NL77176.100.21