# GBS carriage in pregnant women - Part 2 of the Netherlands Observational study on Gbs disease, Bacterial virulence and protective Serology - (NO GBS)

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type Bacterial infectious disorders

**Study type** Observational invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON52426

#### **Source**

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

GBS carriage in Dutch pregnant women

## **Condition**

- Bacterial infectious disorders
- Central nervous system infections and inflammations
- Neonatal and perinatal conditions

## **Synonym**

Streptococcus agalactiae or group B Streptococcus or GBS. Colonization of Carriage. Sepsis/severe bacterial bloodinfection. Bacterial infection of the membranes lining in the brain or meningitis

#### Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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

Intervention

**Keyword:** GBS carriage, Pregnant woman

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

- Prevalence of GBS carriage in pregnant women in the Netherlands

- Whole genome sequencing of colonizing GBS isolates with Illumina HiSeg at the

Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute

- Specific IgG concentrations by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) and

functionality against GBS vaccine targets in maternal serum from pregnant

women colonized with GBS and non-carriers, and cord blood from their newborns

**Secondary outcome** 

- Comparison of specific IgG distributions and functionality against vaccine

targets at delivery in pregnant women colonized with GBS and mothers of

patients with invasive GBS disease

- Comparison of specific IgG distributions and functionality against vaccine

targets in newborns from pregnant women colonized with GBS (blood spots and

cord blood) and patients with invasive GBS disease (blood spots and serum)

- Genome wide association study comparing invasive to colonizing GBS isolates

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Streptococcus agalactiae (Group B Streptococcus, GBS) and E. coli are the leading cause of neonatal sepsis and meningitis. One in five pregnant women carries GBS asymptomatically. Transmission of GBS bacteria to the neonate can result in invasive disease, with a case fatality rate of 7%.

Dutch GBS prevention guidelines recommend intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis for pregnant women with risk factors for GBS disease. We have previously shown that the incidence of neonatal GBS disease is increasing, despite guideline implementation in 1999. In addition, current guidelines recommend bacterial prophylaxis and treatment for mothers and their children based on a risk-calculation. With this strategy a bigger group of children is exposed to antibiotics than are most likely infected by GBS or E. coli. Another short-coming in the current guidelines is the focus on early onset disease. The incidence of late onset disease, i.e. after 7 days of age, has not changed in the western world in the past decades.

Improved risk assessment, a better understanding of GBS pathophysiology and new prevention strategies are needed to counter this increase and decrease the exposure to antibiotics early in life.

Vaccination against GBS during pregnancy might reduce invasive disease in neonates. GBS vaccines were shown to be safe and immunogenic in pregnant woman. However, the further evaluation of these vaccines is hampered because of the high costs of a phase 3 RCT with clinical endpoints. Immune correlates of protection are needed to evaluate potential effectiveness of these GBS vaccines.

## **Study objective**

In this observational cohort study we will determine the prevalence and genetic profile of colonizing GBS isolates in pregnant women in the Netherlands. We will collect serum from pregnant women and their newborns to determine specific IgG concentrations and functionality against vaccine targets that protect against GBS colonization.

The primary objectives of the NO GBS study part 2 are to determine the prevalence and genetic profile of colonizing GBS bacteria, and to determine IgG antibody concentrations and functionality against GBS vaccine targets in Dutch pregnant woman that are associated with protection against GBS colonization.

The secondary objectives are to determine genetic determinants of GBS for invasive disease, and to determine immunological parameters associated with protection against invasive GBS disease. Results from other parts of the NO GBS study will be added to study these secondary objectives.

## Study design

We will conduct a prospective, observational, multi-centre cohort study on GBS carriage in Dutch pregnant women. We will collect the medical correspondence about the obstetric history and outcome of the current pregnancy, GBS isolates, and serum from mothers and their newborns.

## Study burden and risks

Patients will be treated according to national and local guidelines. Blood and recto-vaginal swabs will be collected .The burden is minor and risks are minimal.

Blood from the newborn will be collected from the umbilical cord from the placenta after the cord is cut at delivery.

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

## Inclusion criteria

Pregnant women who plan to deliver in participating hosptal.

## **Exclusion criteria**

Oral or intravenous antibiotic treatment in the month prior to the first GBS colonization culture

In case the newborn develops culture positive invasive GBS disease in the first 90 days of life, the results will be excluded from the analysis of the carriage study.

# 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): 01-09-2019

Enrollment: 1500
Type: Actual

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 12-10-2017

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 28-11-2017

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 13-02-2019

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

# **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 NL63124.018.17