

# Hsf1 Activators Lower cardiomyocyte damage: Towards a novel therapeutic approach to REVERSE atrial fibrillation.

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Cardiac arrhythmias
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON53108

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

HALT & REVERSE

### Condition

- Cardiac arrhythmias
- Cardiac therapeutic procedures

### Synonym

Atrial Fibrillation

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Europese Unie

## Intervention

**Keyword:** atrial fibrillation, epicardial mapping, heat shock protein, proteostasis markers

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Clinical characteristics and electrophysiological parameters (e.g. pattern of activation, conduction block, epicardial breakthrough, fibrillation interval) will be correlated with proteostasis marker levels and atrial tissue characteristics. Endpoints are postprocedural development or recurrence of AF, or completion of the five year follow up period.

### Secondary outcome

nvt

## Study description

### Background summary

Mechanisms of both electrical and structural underlying atrial fibrillation (AF) is unclear despite years of intensive research. A potential pathway leading to structural cell damage might explain the mechanism underlying AF. This pathway involves activation of proteostasis markers such as heat shock proteins (HSPs) which have cardioprotective characteristics. Hence, patients with a lower proteostasis marker level might be more prone to structural tissue damage and development or recurrence of AF. Hypothesis: patient with a low baseline proteostasis marker level such as HSPs are more likely to have atrial electropathology and to develop postprocedural AF.

### Study objective

To elucidate the correlation between proteostasis marker levels in serum and atrial tissue, and initiation and progression of AF in patients.

### Study design

The HALT & REVERSE is a prospective observational study, with a planned duration of 60 months. Correlation between tissue proteostasis marker levels (in blood and/or atrial appendages), degree of electropathology and development of AF will be studied in patients planned for elective open heart surgery, for elective pulmonary vein isolation (PVI) and patients presenting for electric cardioversion. Epicardial mapping is performed in patients undergoing cardiac surgery. Endovascular mapping will be performed in patients scheduled for PVI. In all patients, proteostasis marker levels will be determined in blood samples. In addition, in patients undergoing cardiac surgery, a small tissue sample of the atrial appendages will be analyzed. Post procedural continuous rhythm monitoring is performed for arrhythmia detection.

## **Intervention**

In patients undergoing cardiac surgery, a mapping procedure is performed, which includes induction of atrial fibrillation.

## **Study burden and risks**

For participants of this study there aren't any direct benefits. Neither the patient, nor the investigators are in any way compensated for their participation with regards to this study. The risks associated with participation are known to be negligible, since mapping in over 926 patients (QUASAR study, n=466; Halt & Reverse study, n=460) did not cause any complications.

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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 (>18 yr), scheduled for cardiac surgery (N=1080), pulmonary vein isolation (first time and redo procedures N=100), electrical cardioversion (N=100) or elective electrophysiological study (controls N=100)

### Exclusion criteria

Hemodynamic instability  
Usage of inotropic agents  
Emergency cardiac surgery

## 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: Recruiting  
Start date (anticipated): 11-12-2014  
Enrollment: 1380  
Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Multi-electrode array (MEA) type 192p-TUD-V1.3  
Registration: No

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Date: 27-10-2014  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

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Application type: Amendment  
Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

Approved WMO  
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Application type: Amendment  
Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

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Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

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Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam (Rotterdam)

## Study registrations

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

No registrations found.

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

ID: 23418

Source: Nationaal Trial Register

Title:

### In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL49785.078.14
OMON	NL-OMON23418