# Percutaneous versus surgical VA ECMO insertion: a pilot study to evaluate feasibility and safety

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Pending
Health condition type	Heart failures
Study type	Interventional

# Summary

### ID

NL-OMON53934

**Source** ToetsingOnline

**Brief title** Percutaneous versus surgical VA ECMO

# Condition

• Heart failures

**Synonym** acute heart failure, cardiogenic shock

**Research involving** Human

### **Sponsors and support**

#### Primary sponsor: Amsterdam UMC

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

### Intervention

Keyword: Percutaneous, Shock, Surgical, VA ECMO

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Main study parameter/endpoint

Primary efficacy endpoint: procedure success rate, defined as the successful insertion of both arterial and venous cannulas within 3 attempts and subsequent successful initiation of ECMO-flow

Primary safety objective: is a composite of cannulation-associated adverse

events during cannulation, during ECMO and after ECMO decannulation, including:

o Vascular complications, defined as development of a false aneurysm,

dissection, perforation or another type of vascular damage

- o Cannulation site bleeding and other major bleeding (BARC type 2 and above)
- o The development of limb ischemia requiring fasciotomy or amputation
- o Local infections, defined as a wound culture-proven infection
- o Systemic infections, defined as blood culture-proven infection

#### Secondary outcome

Secondary study parameters/endpoints

Separate analysis of the components of the composite endpoint:

o Vascular complications, which is defined as the development of a false

aneurysm, dissection, perforation or another type of vascular damage

o Cannulation site bleeding and other major bleeding (BARC type 2 and above)

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- o The development of limb ischemia requiring fasciotomy or amputation
- o Local infections, defined as a wound culture-proven infection
- o Systemic infections, defined as blood culture-proven infection

As well as:

- Thirty-day mortality
- Cross-over rate due to failed cannulation
- Procedure time, defined as time from first puncture/incision to the moment of

ECMO-flow initiation

- Number of attempts with successful puncture, but failure to advance the wire
- Number of failed percutaneous attempts, defined as wire insertion without

successful cannulation

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

the traditional method for femoral cannulation in the setting of veno-arterial extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (VA ECMO) is a surgical approach. Techniques for percutaneous insertion have improved drastically over the recent years, and this less invasive procedure has been associated with a lower complication rate. Therefore, it has increasingly become first-line strategy in ECMO-centers worldwide.

### Study objective

#### Primary objectives

As our primary efficacy objective, we will compare procedural success rate between the two groups, which is defined as defined as the successful insertion of both arterial and venous cannulas and subsequent initiation of ECMO-flow. A percutaneous approach is considered feasible when a first line success rate of 75% is reached. Our primary safety objective is the comparison of a composite of cannulation-associated adverse events, including vascular complications, bleeding, limb ischemia and cannulation-site as well as systemic infection. A percutaneous approach is considered safe when the cannulation-associated adverse event rate is equal in both groups, or lower in the percutaneous group.

#### Secondary objectives

As our secondary efficacy objective, we will compare procedural characteristics, such as number of attempts (including the number of failed attempts), cross-over rates and procedure duration. Our secondary safety objective consists of the comparison of each individual component of the composite safety endpoint, as well as thirty-day mortality, between the two groups.

### Study design

Two-center randomized controlled trial, open

### Intervention

Percutaneous insertion of ECMO cannulas

### Study burden and risks

Patients presenting with an indication for VA ECMO are critically ill and as such, have a dismal prognosis. As outlined above, a selected group of patients is eligible for this treatment modality to potentially improve outcomes.

For this study, these patients are randomized to either surgical implantation of VA ECMO (standard of care), or percutaneous implantation (intervention group). We expect complication rate in the intervention group to be similar or lower, when compared to standard of care.

This study concerns a critically ill patient population. As a percutaneous technique may be employed faster and as it may also be associated with a lower complication rate, the potential benefit for this patient population outweighs the known potential risks. Importantly, both surgical and percutaneous implantation methods are widely established, standard of care interventions. Risks associated with either procedure are deemed relatively low

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# **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

Age Adults (18-64 years)

### **Inclusion criteria**

 Age above 18
Indication for VA ECMO support (according to international guidelines and as discussed in our multidisciplinary team)
(Deferred) informed consent by proxy

### **Exclusion criteria**

Patients who are not suitable for undergoing VA ECMO support according to our standard of practice. In addition, patients undergoing central cannulation in the operating theatre, are excluded from participation, as well as patients with no peripheral vascular access

# **Study design**

# Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Treatment

### Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	01-12-2022
Enrollment:	30
Туре:	Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO	
Date:	03-03-2023
Application type:	First submission
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

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