# Reliability of the Humeral Head Centralization Test

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Completed

**Health condition type** Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

Study type Interventional

### **Summary**

### ID

NL-OMON54667

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

HHC Test study.

### **Condition**

Tendon, ligament and cartilage disorders

#### **Synonym**

laxity of the shoulder, shoulder instability

#### Research involving

Human

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor: OLVG** 

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Een minimale beurs van het KNGF

### Intervention

Keyword: Instability, Shoulder, Ultrasound

### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

Evaluate the glenohumeral joint translation in the instable shoulder compared with the stable shoulder of a healthy control group during external rotation of the arm.

### **Secondary outcome**

Evaluate the glenohumeral joint translation in the instable shoulder compared with the stable shoulder of a healthy control group during extension of the elbow.

Evaluate the inter rater- and intra rater reliability of the ultrasound guided HHCT.

Evaluate the subjective function and stability of the instable shoulder.

Evaluate the objective stability of the instable shoulder.

Evaluate the association between the results of the apprehension test and HHCT.

Evaluate the effect of twelve weeks of motor control training using the HHCT.

## **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

After the initial dislocation recurrent instability has been reported in 19-46% of the patients and patient characteristics, bony- and labral lesions as well as motor control deficiency have been reported as factors related to recurrence. The choice of approach to restore stability of the glenohumeral joint is based on patient characteristics as age, gender, sport type and intensity and (bipolar) bone loss. Leaving us with a paucity concerning the

dynamic stability of the glenohumeral joint in this decision making process. The standard procedure for imaging laxity of the glenohumeral joint is static stress radiography. However several studies suggest that the use of dynamic ultrasound may also be a valid method for assessing laxity of the shoulder

### Study objective

The aim of the current study is to provide a reliable objective parameter to indicate an anterior translation of the humeral head during movements of the arm, suggestion a motor control deficit of the rotator cuff.

### Study design

Case-control study

#### Intervention

Twelve weeks exercise program consisting of stabilizing exercises.

### Study burden and risks

The benefits will primarily be to society, as we will learn more about the results of the HHCT in the evaluation of treatment of shoulder instability. This group of patients who experience recurrent instability is the only population that can provide the answers to our research questions. The burden and risk associated with returning to the Jan van Goyen Medical Center for physical examination can be considered low. Only the ultrasound assessment executed by the (second observer) radiologist and the evaluating ultrasound after twelve weeks are not part of usual care and can be seen as an extra burden.

There is no risk associated with the ultrasound assessment. These additional ultrasound assessments will be completed in 30 minutes and will be combined with the second and a final visit to the center.

# **Contacts**

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### **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

### Inclusion criteria

Patients 18 years or older, having had two or more involuntary re-dislocations or re-subluxations caused by an initial traumatic event.

### **Exclusion criteria**

Patients with posterior or multidirectional instability (anteroinferior and posterior instability). Patients with atraumatic instability or generalized hyperlaxity (Beighton score >6 points). Patients who sustained a neurological condition or a bony lesion during dislocation. Patients with previous shoulder stabilizing surgery on the affected side.

# 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): 31-05-2021

Enrollment: 50

Type: Actual

### Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Ultrasound scanner

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

### **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 24-07-2020

Application type: First submission

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

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 29-01-2021

Application type: Amendment

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

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 07-03-2023

Application type: Amendment

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

(Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 01-05-2024

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

Other 18.128

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