

Investigation of the mechanical properties of pathological scars using suction-based Optical Coherence Elastography

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| Ethical review | Approved WMO |
| Status | Recruitment stopped |
| Health condition type | Epidermal and dermal conditions |
| Study type | Observational non invasive |

Summary

ID

NL-OMON55099

Source

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Brief title

OCT elastography in pathological scars

Condition

- Epidermal and dermal conditions

Synonym

1. Scars 2. Cutaneous cicatrication

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Health Holland

Intervention

Keyword: Biomechanics, Hypertrophic scars, Keloid, Optical Coherence tomography

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

The main objective of this study is to determine whether OCT-based suction elastometry is a proper tool to quantify elasticity of mature keloid and hypertrophic scars and healthy skin in human subjects.

Secondary outcome

What is the concurrent validity of this device? Do the results correlate with the item *pliability* of the POSAS.

Can we use this device for the analysis of pathological scars. Although this device does not differ tremendously from the Cutometer, the feasibility needs to be addressed in this pilot. Are the measurements practical and timely? Does a single measurement provide sufficient data for the quantification of the above mentioned parameters?

Can this device be used to measure scar specific differences in epidermal thickness

Study description

Background summary

Stiffness and elasticity are important parameters in skin research and clinical practice. These biomechanical factors are affected by both physiological and pathological changes, of which scarring is the most common cause. Increased stiffness in scars is a major part of the disease burden in the case of

hypertrophic scarring and keloids, and is therefore a target for multiple therapies aimed at decreasing stiffness and increasing elasticity. Objective quantification of the biomechanical characteristics of skin may be improved by a multimodal approach: by combining suction-based deformation with Optical Coherence Tomography imaging. This combination will be tested in this research project by means of a novel medical device developed at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

Study objective

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Study design

Pilot study

Study burden and risks

The trial entails 1 measurement moment with 3 measurements:

- 1) Measurement of scar biomechanics using the novel device (+/-15 minutes)
- 2) POSAS questionnaire (Patient and Observer Scar Assessment Scale) (+/-15 minutes)
- 3) Measurement of scar biomechanics using golden standard (Cutometer) (+/-15 minutes)

Risk assessment (See B24): Negligible

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

- * Age: 18 years or older
- * Competent
- * Keloid or hypertrophic scar.

Exclusion criteria

- * Language barrier
- * Immature scar/open wounds
- * Connective tissue disorders (e.g. Marfan, Ehlers Danlos, Cutis Laxa)

Study design

Design

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| Study type: | Observational non invasive |
| Intervention model: | Other |
| Allocation: | Non-randomized controlled trial |
| Masking: | Open (masking not used) |
| Control: | Active |
| Primary purpose: | Basic science |

Recruitment

NL
Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated): 25-10-2021
Enrollment: 20
Type: Actual

Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Suction-based Optical Coherence Elastography device
Registration: No

Ethics review

Approved WMO
Date: 17-05-2021
Application type: First submission
Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC
Approved WMO
Date: 30-09-2021
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 |
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