# Biomarker detection in cytololgy samples of women with gynaecological cancer: a multicentric study

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

**Health condition type** Reproductive neoplasms female malignant and unspecified

**Study type** Observational non invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON55675

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

Biomarker detection in cytology of women with gynaecological cancer

## **Condition**

• Reproductive neoplasms female malignant and unspecified

#### Synonym

gynaecological cancer, gynaecological malignancy

#### Research involving

Human

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: financiering uit bestaande

onderzoeksprojecten

## Intervention

**Keyword:** biomarkers, cervical cytology, gynaecologic cancer, methylation

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Biomarker levels (for example methylation levels) in several cytology samples of participants/patients with endometrial or cervical cancer are the primary parameter in this study. The proportion of cytology samples with a positive test result will be measured in cancer cases (participants/patients with endometrial or cervical cancer). Sensitivity and specificity will be calculated. In de pilotstudie, the association between the testresult and teh outcome of the study will be studied (benign of malignant ovarian proces).

## **Secondary outcome**

Biomarker levels in diagnostic tumor material will be measured and related to levels found in cytology samples.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Studies have shown that testing for molecular biomarkers (such as methylation markers and miRNAs) in cytology samples (including cervical scrapes, vaginal samples and urine) can be useful to detect underlying endometrial or cervical disease. Therefore, the new screening programme for cervical cancer (starting early 2017) has the potential to be more effective when, beside (pre) malignant cervical disease, other gynaecologic diseases, like endometrial cancer could be detected as well. Early detection of cancer will lead to better outcome in cancer patients. The pilot study in patients with and ovarian neoplasm is set up to see if is is possible to better predict the nature of the ovarian neoplasm (benign of malignant) which is important for monitoring and type of surgery.

# **Study objective**

To study the value of molecular biomarkers in cytology samples (cervical scrape, vaginal sample and urine) for cancer detection in patients with gynaecologic cancer.

## Study design

Prospective multicentre cross-sectional study

## Study burden and risks

In this study, health risks associated with procedures to collect the different cytology samples (ie cervical scrape, vaginal sample and urine) can be considered negligible. The physical burden is considered minimal as collection of cytology samples will be without or with minimal discomfort. No pain is expected to be related to the collection of vaginal and urine samples. Women can experience an unpleasant sensation for a few seconds during sampling of the cervical scrape. It should be noted that the cervical scrape will be taken during a regularly planned gynaecologic examination. No extra gynaecologic examination is needed for this study. When the cervical scrape is planned during the operation, there will be no extra discomfort. By combining the high numbers of potential study participants treated at the gynaecology departments of CGOA and availability of tumour tissues at pathology departments with professional collaborations between academic gynaecologists, pathologists, molecular biologists and biostatisticians that have extensive experience on doing clinical and translational research, the basis of a successful setting for this study is consolidated. This study will neither interfere with the regular clinical care, nor with the cancer treatment, nor with the outcome of the cancer.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

- 1) presence of endometrial or cervical cancer or, for the pilot study, planned surgery for an ovarian neoplasm
- 2) (expected) availability of diagnostic material of the tumor (histology tissue in referal or refered hospital)
- 3) possibility to collect cytology (cervical swab, vaginal sample and/or urine) prior to cancer treatment or surgery.
- 4) age 18 years or older

## **Exclusion criteria**

- 1) No primary endometrial or cervical cancer or, for the pilot study, no planned sugery for an ovarian neoplasm
- 2) No (residual) tumour at time of inclusion
- 3) No possibility to collect cytology samples prior to cancer treatment
- 4) Age younger than 18 years

# Study design

# Design

Study type:

Observational non invasive

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): 11-10-2016

Enrollment: 270

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 04-07-2016

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

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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 NL56664.029.16