# Exploring the immunological competence of the meninges and bone marrow in neurological diseases

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Identifying the (immune) cell composition, co-localization, functions, and alterations as well as blood and lymph vessels reorganisation in the human\*s dura, arachnoid and pia mater, and skull bone marrow in high-grade glioma patients as compared to...

Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Pending

**Health condition type** Nervous system neoplasms malignant and unspecified NEC

**Study type** Observational invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

**NL-OMON56851** 

Source

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Brief title ENDURE

#### **Condition**

- Nervous system neoplasms malignant and unspecified NEC
- Nervous system, skull and spine therapeutic procedures

#### **Synonym**

Glioblastoom, glioom

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Amsterdam UMC

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Stichting STOPHersentumoren.nl

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#### Intervention

**Keyword:** Glioma, Immunology, Meninges, Skull bone marrow

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Differences in (immune) cell composition (type of immune cells and abundance) and behaviour (as measured by gene and protein expression profiles and cell localization) of the meninges and skull bone marrow between patients with high-grade glioma and non-glioma controls.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Tissues will be made part of a biobank.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The brains meninges, i.e. the physical layers surrounding the brain (dura mater, arachnoid mater, and pia mater), as well as the overlaying skull bone marrow are a rich source of immunological cells and lymphoid tissues. These layers and tissues are in close connection and rapidly respond to processes within the brain, esp. in the case of infections, neuro-inflammation, or tumor growth. We hypothesize that this immune function is disturbed in patients with a high-grade glioma, one of the most malignant brain tumors. In-depth characterization and knowledge on the composition of immune and supportive cells, including blood and lymph vessels, within these tissues can provide novel leads to develop treatments for neuro-oncological diseases such as gliomas. This may also result into valuable knowledge and therapy-development for other neurological diseases, including multiple sclerosis and Alzheimer\*s disease, hemorrhagic neurological diseases such as subarachnoid and (traumatic) intracranial hemorrhages, central nervous system infections, medically-intractable epilepsy, and other congenital or acquired neurological conditions.

#### Study objective

Identifying the (immune) cell composition, co-localization, functions, and

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alterations as well as blood and lymph vessels reorganisation in the human\*s dura, arachnoid and pia mater, and skull bone marrow in high-grade glioma patients as compared to non-glioma controls.

#### Study design

Investigator-initiated observational study.

#### Study burden and risks

As participants are already subjected to a neurosurgical operation due to their primary clinical condition, the additional burden of this study is the collection of additional tissue on top of that required for primary clinical care. The skull bone marrow will be collected by small biopsies from easily reachable exposed bone. A sample of dura mater will be collected and replaced by autologous duraplasty (i.e. pericranium/periosteal layer) as is already a standard procedure in approximately 50 % of cranial intradural neurosurgical operations. Pia and arachnoid mater will only be collected if the brain\*s cortex needs to be entered because of deeper-seated intraparenchymal lesions, and their removal is thus already part of the operative route. From patients of whom during the operation a duraplasty has to be created, and of whom dura mater has to be reduced to simplify integration of the duraplasty, the left-over dura mater is collected for this study (\*rest-materiaal\*). From this particular group of patients, skull bone marrow is collected from left-over bone splinters generated with placing the burr hole for skull trephination, or from the bone flap when left-out (craniectomy; both \*rest-materiaal\*). All material will be collected pseudonymously, and there will be no follow-up visits. The estimated risk from collecting skull bone marrow, and pia, arachnoid and dura mater is considered moderate. There are no benefits to the participants.

## **Contacts**

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### **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

- 18 years of age, or older
- Subjected to a neurosurgical intracranial operation

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Participants of whom the required tissues cannot be accessed due to the operative route and strategy or of whom the tissue cannot be safely collected, including individuals of whom no autologous duraplasty can be harvested.
- Individuals with inherent bleeding disorders.
- Individuals with an inherent or acquired immunodeficiency and/or medications that suppress wound healing (except dexamethasone).

# Study design

## Design

Study type: Observational invasive

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

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Control: Active

Primary purpose: Basic science

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-06-2024

Enrollment: 100

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 15-05-2024

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 ID

CCMO NL85472.018.23