

# Investigating red blood cells of sickle cell patients who started therapy.

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<b>Status</b>	Werving nog niet gestart
<b>Type aandoening</b>	-
<b>Onderzoekstype</b>	Observationeel onderzoek, zonder invasieve metingen

## Samenvatting

### ID

NL-OMON24314

### Bron

NTR

### Verkorte titel

SickleCellScreen

### Aandoening

sickle cell anemia

HbSS

HbSC

Sikkelcelziekte

### Ondersteuning

**Primaire sponsor:** University Medical Center Utrecht

**Overige ondersteuning:** RR Mechatronics

### Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

### Uitkomstmaten

#### Primaire uitkomstmaten

Red blood cell deformability

# Toelichting onderzoek

## Achtergrond van het onderzoek

Sickle cell disease (SCD) is a hemoglobinopathy in which a single nucleotide mutation in the beta-globin chain causes the formation of the abnormal hemoglobin S (HbS). When HbS becomes deoxygenated it polymerises, resulting in sickling of red blood cells (RBCs). These sickled RBCs have strongly reduced deformability, leading to vaso-occlusive crises, multi organ failure and chronic hemolytic anemia.

Hydroxyurea is the only approved drug for the treatment of sickle cell disease. It increases the production of fetal hemoglobin (HbF), thereby lowering HbS levels and, consequently, decreases sickling events. There is however no accurate measurement of a dose-and-effect relation, other than the next life-threatening crisis. There also is no all-inclusive surrogate end-point to estimate disease severity.

Altered red blood cell (RBC) deformability is a feature of many RBC disorders, including SCD. It can be measured using the Lorrca (Laser-assisted Optical Rotational Red Cell Analyzer) under varying circumstances. For instance, the hypoxia-hyperoxia ektacytometry module of the Lorrca enables the measurement of RBC deformability in response to changes in oxygen tension. This is particularly relevant in the field of SCD. Variables known to be of influence for sickling (e.g. HbF levels, presence of transfusion blood) can be studied by using one single fully automated, operator independent test. We hypothesize that this single test can determine an individual's status and/or susceptibility to sickling, and measure the effect of hydroxyurea therapy.

## Doel van het onderzoek

Red blood cell deformability improves after start of therapy with Hydroxyurea.

## Onderzoeksopzet

baseline, after 1, 3 and 6 months.

## Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Not applicable

# Contactpersonen

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## **Deelname eisen**

### **Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)**

1. „h No blood transfusion within the past 2 months
2. Diagnosed with sickle cell anemia (HbSS, HbSC or HbS/beta-thal)
3. Starting with Hydroxyurea therapy
4. Parents/legal guardians (and child, depending on age) or adult patients must give informed consent

### **Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)**

1. Blood transfusion within past 2 months
2. Body weight below 10 kg

3. Age <1 year

## Onderzoeksopzet

### Opzet

Type: Observationeel onderzoek, zonder invasieve metingen

Onderzoeksmodel: Anders

**Controle:** N.v.t. / onbekend

### Deelname

Nederland

Status: Werving nog niet gestart

(Verwachte) startdatum: 01-11-2017

Aantal proefpersonen: 20

Type: Verwachte startdatum

## Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies

Datum: 26-10-2017

Soort: Eerste indiening

## Registraties

### Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie

ID: 54704

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

### Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

## In overige registers

<b>Register</b>	<b>ID</b>
NTR-new	NL6015
NTR-old	NTR6779
CCMO	NL62011.041.17
OMON	NL-OMON54704

## Resultaten