

# Amitriptyline en cognitieve gedragstherapie bij langdurige slapeloosheid voor patiënten met een medische aandoening

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<b>Ethische beoordeling</b>	Positief advies
<b>Status</b>	Werving nog niet gestart
<b>Type aandoening</b>	-
<b>Onderzoekstype</b>	Interventie onderzoek

## Samenvatting

### ID

NL-OMON25122

### Bron

Nationaal Trial Register

### Verkorte titel

TIMELAPSE

### Aandoening

Insomnia disorder

### Ondersteuning

**Primaire sponsor:** Hospital Gelderse Vallei

**Overige ondersteuning:** Hospital Gelderse Vallei

### Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

### Uitkomstmaten

#### Primaire uitkomstmaten

The primary outcome of the study will be insomnia severity as measured by the Insomnia Severity Index (ISI) (Morin e.a. 2011). The ISI is a 7-item questionnaire scored on a 5-point Likert scale reflecting the severity of both nighttime and daytime aspects of insomnia disorder as perceived by the participant in the last 2 weeks with scores ranging from 0 (no insomnia) to 28 (severe insomnia). The ISI is the recommended outcome measure in insomnia trials (Buysse e.a. 2006). Previous research has indicated that it is a valid and reliable instrument in screening as well as outcome measurement. It possesses adequate internal consistency and is sensitive to changes in perceived sleep difficulties over time (Bastien e.a. 2001; Morin e.a. 2011). We use a community sample cut-off score of  $\geq 10$  to define clinical insomnia.

Treatment responders are defined as  $\geq 8$  point reduction on ISI (Morin e.a. 2011). A relapse is defined as a drawback to  $\leq 8$  points to the baseline score of the Insomnia Severity Index measured during follow up at two subsequent measurements. Insomnia severity will be evaluated at baseline, 6 weeks, 12 weeks, and for the responders (until relapse) 2 months after treatment, 4 months after treatment, 6 months after treatment, 8 months after treatment, 10 months after treatment and 12 months after treatment.

## Toelichting onderzoek

### Achtergrond van het onderzoek

Insomnia is common in people with medical conditions. Insomnia is related to increased mortality and morbidity. Cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBT-I) is first choice of treatment and also effective for people with insomnia and medical conditions. Despite the evidence that CBT-I is an effective intervention, there can be limitations to CBT-I for patients with medical conditions, requiring a safe alternative. Preliminary evidence and clinical experience suggests that off-label low dose use of sedating antidepressants such as amitriptyline (AM), might be non-addictive, effective, and well-tolerated alternative to treat insomnia in patients with medical comorbidity. This study aims to investigate whether low dose amitriptyline (10- 20 mg nightly) in patients with chronic insomnia coexisting with medical conditions is as effective as CBT-I in improving subjective sleep.

### Doel van het onderzoek

The efficacy of low dose amitriptyline on insomnia is equivalent to first choice treatment CBT-I.

### Onderzoeksopzet

Primary outcome (ISI): For all participants: baseline, 6 and 12 weeks and further for the responders 2,4,6,8,10 and 12 months post treatment

Secondary outcomes: Sleepdiary at baseline, 6, 12 weeks and 12 months post treatment, CIS-20, HADS, subscale SF-36 and WSAS at baseline, 12 weeks and 12 months post

treatment

Moderators (baseline characteristics, TPP, subscale pain SF-36, ITQ and CAM-I) at baseline  
Mediators (DBAS, PSAQ) at baseline, 3 and 12 weeks

Adherence in CBT-I group at 6 weeks and at 12 weeks in AM group

Side effects (ESS and ASEC) at baseline, 6 and 12 weeks

Withdrawal (in AM group, DESS) at 14 weeks

### **Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie**

The treatment consists of 1) 12 weeks one or two units (tablets) of amitriptyline (10 mg) [AM] per night, or 2) CBT-I. During AM treatment, start one unit of Amitriptyline (10mg), patients visit their neurologists at 6 weeks to evaluate their sleep and treatment satisfaction, patients can double their dosage themselves at three weeks (patient can report this at visit to the neurologist at 6 weeks) and stop treatment at 12 weeks. A visit to a specialized nurse will take place at 12 weeks to guide treatment stop.

The CBT-I treatment, a multicomponent intervention, based on the Dutch treatment protocol of Verbeek and van de Laar (2014) will be administered as a standardized 6 weekly group sessions (75 minutes/session) and one follow up session after 6 weeks. Major intervention components include sleep restriction therapy, stimulus control therapy, cognitive therapy for insomnia, relaxation therapy and sleep (hygiene) education.

## **Contactpersonen**

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## **Deelname eisen**

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

- Adults aged 18 - 85 years visiting the outpatient clinic department of neurology.
- Presence of insomnia disorder conform DSM-5, i.e. sleep problems in at least 3 nights a week, for at least 3 months with consequences for daytime functioning, the sleep problem cannot be better explained by or occurs exclusively during the course of another sleep disorder
- Score of  $\geq 10$  on the Insomnia Severity Index (ISI) (Morin e.a. 2011)
- Have a medical condition and / or chronic pain (> 3 months).

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

Study related exclusion criteria

- Habitual night shift worker
- Untreated sleep related breathing disorder
- Wish to continue over-the-counter sleep aids as melatonin and medicinal cannabis
- Use of off-label amitriptyline for insomnia in the past year
- Being unable to follow study instructions and fill out the study questionnaires (in Dutch)
- A known diagnosis of dementia
- History of delirium
- Pregnancy, lactation or wish to become pregnant in the coming 6 months
- Terminal illness (prognosis < 1 year)
- Suicide risk
- Epilepsy
- Ocular Hypertension / Glaucoma
- The presence of a severe psychiatric disorder not in remission or adequately treated.
- Current alcohol or drug abuse/addiction (benzodiazepine excluded).
- Participation in other interventional medical scientific studies

Potential drug-drug interactions for amitriptyline

- Current use of psychopharmaceuticals other than benzodiazepine (antidepressants:SSRI's (e.g. bupropion, fluoxetine, paroxetinefluvoxamine), MAOinhibitors, St John's wort, anticonvulsants (e.g. carbamazepine)
- Current use of antimycotica (e.g. terbinafine)

Contra-indications for amitriptyline following pharmacological guidelines as used in clinical practice.

- Allergy for amitriptyline
- Cardiac arrhythmia / blockade / Long QT syndrome / Brugada syndrome
- Family history of acute cardiac death
- Recent myocardial infarction (within the past 90 days)
- Angina pectoris / coronary insufficiency

- Severe renal insufficiency (GFR < 10)
- Severe liver dysfunction

## Onderzoeksopzet

### Opzet

Type:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Parallel
Toewijzing:	Gerandomiseerd
Blinding:	Open / niet geblindeerd
Controle:	Geneesmiddel

### Deelname

Nederland	
Status:	Werving nog niet gestart
(Verwachte) startdatum:	03-09-2019
Aantal proefpersonen:	190
Type:	Verwachte startdatum

### Voornemen beschikbaar stellen Individuele Patiënten Data (IPD)

**Wordt de data na het onderzoek gedeeld:** Nog niet bepaald

### Toelichting

N/A

## Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies	
Datum:	18-08-2019
Soort:	Eerste indiening

## Registraties

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

Geen registraties gevonden.

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

Geen registraties gevonden.

## **In overige registers**

<b>Register</b>	<b>ID</b>
NTR-new	NL7971
Ander register	METC AMC : METC 2019_101

## **Resultaten**

### **Samenvatting resultaten**

N/A