High-Volume Image-Guided Injection in chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy

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High-Volume Image-Guided injections will provide a significant improvement in symptoms compared to Low- Volume Image-Guided injections in patients suffering from chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy

Ethische beoordeling Positief advies **Status** Werving gestopt

Type aandoening -

Onderzoekstype Interventie onderzoek

Samenvatting

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Bron

NTR

Verkorte titel

HAT-study

Aandoening

Achilles tendon Tendinopathy Injection Treatment High-Volume

Achillespees Tendinopathie Injectie Behandeling Hoog-Volume

Ondersteuning

Primaire sponsor: Erasmus University Medical Centre, department of orthopaedics. Collaboration with Haaglanden Medical Centre, department of sports medicine.

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Overige ondersteuning: ReumaNederland and Annafonds

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Uitkomstmaten

Primaire uitkomstmaten

The Victorian Institute of Sports Assessment-Achilles (VISA-A) score. This is a validated, reliable and disease-specific questionnaire to evaluate symptoms in patients with chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy

Toelichting onderzoek

Achtergrond van het onderzoek

Background of the study

Overuse injury of the Achilles tendon is a common entity in athletes. Especially middle aged athletes are at risk. Elite running athletes have a lifetime risk of sustaining an Achilles tendon injury of 52%. At the moment the usual treatment for chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy is an excentric exercise program. In most cases this gives great results, however there is a significant group of patients in which the exercise program is not sufficient.

Three UK-based case series evaluated the efficacy of High-Volume Image-Guided Injections (HVIGI's) in chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy. They all showed promising results. However none of these studies used a comparative group. There is consequently a lack of high-quality studies in this field and therefore we cannot recommend this treatment

yet for this indication.

Objective of the study

To investigate the efficacy of a high-volume image guided injection (HVIGI) in chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy.

Study design

A double-blind, placebo-controlled, randomized controlled trial. Randomization and stratification (based on activity level using the Ankle Activity Score) will be performed using a computer-generated model. Measurements will be performed at baseline, 2, 6, 12 and 24 weeks post injection. At every time point both the primary and secondary outcome measurements will be collected. The painDETECT and the Pain Coping Inventory questionnaires will be derived at baseline and 24 week post injection.

Study population

In total, 80 patients with clinically diagnosed chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy will be included in this study.

Intervention

Patients will be randomized into one of the two treatment groups:

- 1. High-Volume Image-Guided Injection (HVIGI) 50ml
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(0.9% NaCl solution + 1% lidocaine) in combination with an isometric/eccentric exercise program and a return to sports program.

2. Low-Volume Image-Guided Injection (LVIGI) – 2ml (0.9% NaCl solution + 1% lidocaine) in combination with an eccentric exercise program. The sports physician performs the injection in the peritendinous space of the Achilles tendon and the amount of neovascularization is determined with a power-doppler ultrasonography (PDU) before and after this procedure. In the intervention group, there is 10ml of lidocaine processed in the mixture. The placebo group receives 2ml of the solution, of which is 0.4ml lidocaine. Both procedures take the same amount of time and are carried out equally. At the end of the procedure, the patient lies prone on the investigation table for 5 minutes.

Primary study parameters/outcome of the study

- VISA-A score. This measures pain, function and activity level. It is validated and reliable for the chronic Achilles tendinopathy.

Secondary study parameters/outcome of the study

- PainDETECT questionnaire
- Pain Coping Inventory (PCI) questionnaire
- Physical examination: waist circumference, length, weight,
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foot posture index, palpation pain (VAS 0-100), flexibility and strength gastrocnemius and soleus muscle, jumping height (cm) and pain during jump test (VAS 0-100) and 10 times hopping (VAS 0-100, part of the VISA-A questionnaire)

- Degree of neovascularization (determined with standardized Power Doppler Ultrasonography examination)
- Subjective patient satisfaction (excellent / good / fair / poor)
- Return to sports (Return to desired sport on pre-injury
 level / return to desired sport but on a lower level / return to
 sports but not desired sport / no return to sports)
- Compliance to the exercise program.

Doel van het onderzoek

High-Volume Image-Guided injections will provide a significant improvement in symptoms compared to Low-Volume Image-Guided injections in patients suffering from chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy

Onderzoeksopzet

Baseline, 2, 6, 12 and 24 weeks

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

High-Volume Image-Guided Injection (50 ml) in the peritendinous space of the Achilles tendon

Contactpersonen

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Deelname eisen

Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

- Age 18-70 years.
- Clinical diagnosis of chronic midportion Achilles tendinopathy: Painfull swelling of the Achilles tendon, 2-7 cm proximal to it's calcaneal insertion.
- Non-response to eccentric excercise program for 6 weeks.
- Painfull Achilles tendon for more than 2 months.
- Neovascularization is present using Power Doppler

Ultrasonography examination

Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

- Clinical suspicion of insertional disorders.
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- Clinical suspicion of Achilles tendon rupture.
- Clinical suspicion of plantar flexor tenosynovitis.
- Clinical suspicion of peroneal tendinopathy or subluxation.
- Clinical suspicion of sural nerve pathology.
- Condition of the Achilles tendon caused by medication, such as quinolones and statins.
- Known to have the following disorders: spondylarthropathy, gout, hyperlipidemia, rheumatoid arthritis and sarcoïdosis.
- Inability to perform a heavy load eccentric exercise program.
- Recently prescribed drugs (within 2 years) with a putative effect on symptoms and tendon healing (quinolone antibiotics, corticosteroids).
- Presence of pregnancy.
- Previous Achilles tendon rupture.
- Patient has received surgical intervention for his injury.
- A medical condition that would affect safety of injection (e.g. peripheral vascular disease, use of anticoagulant medication)
- Inability to give informed consent.
- Participation in other concomitant treatment programs.
- Patient has already one side included in this study.
- Patient does not wish, for whatever reason, to undergo one of the two treatments.

Onderzoeksopzet

Opzet

Type: Interventie onderzoek

Onderzoeksmodel: Parallel

Toewijzing: Gerandomiseerd

Blindering: Dubbelblind

Controle: Placebo

Deelname

Nederland

Status: Werving gestopt

(Verwachte) startdatum: 01-11-2016

Aantal proefpersonen: 80

Type: Werkelijke startdatum

Voornemen beschikbaar stellen Individuele Patiënten Data (IPD)

Wordt de data na het onderzoek gedeeld: Nog niet bepaald

Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies

Datum: 19-11-2014

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

Register ID

NTR-new NL4686 NTR-old NTR4916

Ander register METC ZWH: 14 - 100

Resultaten		