

Deep brain Stimulation for Addiction.

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Deep brain stimulation of the nucleus accumbens decreases drug use and craving in treatment refractory heroin and/or cocaine dependence.

Ethische beoordeling	Positief advies
Status	Werving gestart
Type aandoening	-
Onderzoekstype	Interventie onderzoek

Samenvatting

ID

NL-OMON26324

Bron

NTR

Aandoening

Heroine dependence
Cocaine dependence
drug addiction

Ondersteuning

Primaire sponsor: Academic Medical Center Amsterdam

Overige ondersteuning: ZonMw, Grant number 60-60600-97-168

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Uitkomstmaten

Primaire uitkomstmaten

1. Drug use: gr/day by interview and urine testing;

2. Drug craving: DDQ, OCDUS;

3. Neuropsychological functioning: CANTAB;

4. Changes brain activation: fMRI.

Toelichting onderzoek

Achtergrond van het onderzoek

Addiction is a highly prevalent and chronic relapsing disease with severe negative consequences for patients, their environment and society. Not all patients respond to the currently available interventions and therefore additional treatments are needed to help those refractory patients.

Deep brain stimulation (DBS) has shown to be effective in different neurological and psychiatric diseases. Both animal research and observational human studies provide compelling evidence for the potential efficacy of DBS in patients with a substance disorder. DBS of the nucleus accumbens (NAc) is compatible with our neurobiological understanding of addiction based on extensive experimental animal and human research. This research project aims to establish the feasibility, safety, and potential efficacy of NAc DBS in 8 patients with a chronic, treatment refractory heroin and/or cocaine addiction. Additionally the functional effects of DBS will be explored in several ways; by imaging methods such as fMRI and by neuropsychological testing. Changes found in these three areas will be associated with clinical outcome parameters.

Doel van het onderzoek

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Onderzoeksopzet

1. Baseline (0);
2. After optimization (1);
3. Phase 1 cross-over trail (2);
4. Phase 2 cross-over trail (3);
5. Maintenance phase (4).

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Treatment by means of deep brain stimulation of the nucleus accumbens area. Deep brain stimulation (DBS) is a neurosurgical intervention in which implanted electrodes deliver electrical pulses to stereotactically targeted areas of the brain. The treatment will be given as long as necessary, which might mean their whole lives.

For the research phase there will be a double blinded cross over phase once the DBS has

been optimized (between 3-12 months after surgery). In this phase first the DBS will be stay ON or put OFF for 2-6 weeks after which the assessments will take place and secondly the setting of the DBS is reversed (ON/OFF) for 2-6 weeks and again followed by assessments. The order of ON/OFF or OFF/ON will be randomized. Patients will serve as their own controls: assessments of ON condition will be compared to assessments with OFF condition. Both researcher and patients are blind for DBS setting during trial.

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Deelname eisen

Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

1. Minimal duration of 5 years of the DSM-IV diagnosis heroin and/or cocaine dependence;
2. Treatment refractory on other evidence based interventions;
3. Severity of the current dependence diagnosis is indicated by:

- A. Heroin and or cocaine use at least 15 days in the last month; AND;
- B. Poor physical health (MAP-HSS > 8); AND/OR;
- C. Poor mental health (SCL-90 > 41 (male) or > 60 (female); AND/OR;
- D. Poor social function with at least six days of illegal activities in the previous month and/or at least six days in the previous month without personal contact with a non-drug-using person.

Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

- 1. Current suicidality;
- 2. Current psychosis and no history of psychosis;
- 3. (History of) severe neurological disorders, e.g. Parkinson's disease, CVA, dementia;
- 4. Contraindication to perform the operation;
- 5. Contraindication to participate in fMRI and/or SPECT assessments.

Onderzoeksopzet

Opzet

Type:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Cross-over
Toewijzing:	N.v.t. / één studie arm
Blinding:	Dubbelblind
Controle:	N.v.t. / onbekend

Deelname

Nederland	
Status:	Werving gestart
(Verwachte) startdatum:	01-06-2010
Aantal proefpersonen:	8

Type:

Verwachte startdatum

Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies

Datum:

27-04-2012

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	NL3267
NTR-old	NTR3420
Ander register	METC AMC : 2009_322
ISRCTN	ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd.

Resultaten

Samenvatting resultaten

1. Luigjes J, van den Brink W, Feenstra M, van den Munckhof P, Schuurman PR, Schippers R, e.a. Deep brain stimulation in addiction: a review of potential brain targets. Mol. Psychiatry 2011 doi: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21931318>;

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