

Use of laser in the treatment of perianal fistulas

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

Samenvatting

ID

NL-OMON28231

Bron

NTR

Verkorte titel

ArFiLaS

Aandoening

Peri-anal fistula
Laser ablation
Laser treatment

Ondersteuning

Primaire sponsor: Academisch ziekenhuis Maastricht

Overige ondersteuning: none

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Uitkomstmaten

Primaire uitkomstmaten

Toelichting onderzoek

Achtergrond van het onderzoek

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The mucosal advancement flap is considered as one of the best surgical treatments for high perianal fistula repair. This technique is based on closure of the internal opening of the fistula tract. In one out of three patients mucosal flap repair fails. Possible factors for failure are incomplete clearance of pus and debris, incomplete closure of the internal opening or other technical failures, or inappropriate host response in patients with risk factors like smoking or diabetes. Besides a high recurrence rate, the mucosal advancement flap is also associated with impaired incontinence, rates have been described as high as 35%.

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Onderzoeksopzet

The fistula will be considered healed if the external opening is closed and no discharge or pain or perianal swelling is experienced. Recurring of these symptoms was defined as a recurrent fistula. Treatment failure is defined if there is still discharge coming out of the external opening at 3 months follow-up.

Secondary endpoints are quality of life, postoperative pain and incontinence. Patients will be asked to grade their pain on a visual analogue scale (VAS: 0 no pain; 10 worst imaginable pain). Quality of life will be evaluated using the SF-12 questionnaire and the FIQL questionnaire. Continence will be evaluated using the Vaizey and FIQL score.

Follow-up is planned at 6, 12, 24 and 52 weeks postoperatively. Questionnaires are completed preoperatively and during all follow-up moments.

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

For this procedure we will use a 1470nm diode laser -10W. A wavelength of 1470nm allows the fistula to shrink with the use of less power, thus reducing the potential damage of tissue around the tract

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Deelname eisen

Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

age: 18 – 80 years

able to understand informed consent

primary fistula

high trans- and intersphincteric fistulas

one fistula tract, no secondary tracts, proven with MRI

Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

pregnancy

local malignancy

Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis

a traumatic or iatrogenic lesion

Onderzoeksopzet

Opzet

Type:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Anders
Toewijzing:	N.v.t. / één studie arm
Blinding:	Open / niet geblindeerd
Controle:	N.v.t. / onbekend

Deelname

Nederland	
Status:	Werving nog niet gestart
(Verwachte) startdatum:	01-01-2018
Aantal proefpersonen:	100
Type:	Verwachte startdatum

Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies	
Datum:	12-10-2017
Soort:	Eerste indiening

Registraties

Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie

ID: 45281
Bron: ToetsingOnline
Titel:

Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

In overige registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL6713
NTR-old	NTR6892
CCMO	NL60042.068.17
OMON	NL-OMON45281

Resultaten