

# New OCT technique in Parkinson's disease.

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| <b>Status</b>               | Anders          |
| <b>Type aandoening</b>      | -               |
| <b>Onderzoekstype</b>       | -               |

## Samenvatting

### ID

NL-OMON29318

### Bron

NTR

### Aandoening

English:

- retinal nerve fiber layer
- optical coherence tomography
- Parkinson's disease

In het Nederlands:

- netvlies
- optical coherence tomografie
- de ziekte van Parkinson

### Ondersteuning

**Primaire sponsor:** VU Medical Center

**Overige ondersteuning:** Stichting Parkinson Fonds

### Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

## **Uitkomstmaten**

### **Primaire uitkomstmaten**

The primary objective is to investigate if the RNFL-ac in PD patients differs significantly from the RNFL-ac in healthy controls.

## **Toelichting onderzoek**

### **Achtergrond van het onderzoek**

Rationale: Parkinson's disease (PD) is now known to also cause retinal atrophy. Measuring the retinal nerve fiber layer attenuation coefficient (RNFL-ac) by means of optical coherence tomography (OCT) is a new technique to analyze the scattering properties of the retina as a sensitive measure of retinal atrophy. Using OCT-derived RNFL-ac it might be possible to differentiate PD patients from healthy subjects.

Objectives: The primary objective is to investigate if the RNFL-ac in PD patients differs significantly from the RNFL-ac in healthy controls.

Secondary Objectives are: 1) to investigate if the RNFL-ac can be used to differentiate PD patients from healthy controls. 2) to compare the sensitivity and specificity of the RNFL-ac with RNFL thickness in differentiating PD patients from healthy controls. 3) to investigate local differences in the RNFL-ac of the retina.

Study design: This is a pilot study with an observational cross-sectional design. Patients and controls will be subjected to a clinical neurological exam and a non-invasive ophthalmologic exam consisting of a visual acuity test (with a Snellen chart), an ocular pressure measurement, a slit lamp examination, fundoscopy and OCT (the RNFL-ac can be calculated from OCT data). The study protocol will take one hour and 20 minutes.

Study population: The study population consists of 20 PD patients in (modified) Hoehn and Yahr stage 2 - 4, age 50 - 70 years, recruited from the outpatient clinic of the Sint Lucas Andreas Ziekenhuis (SLAZ) and 20 adult healthy controls, matched for age, sex and ethnicity.

Main study parameters/endpoints: The main study parameter is the RNFL-ac and its association with the presence of PD will be investigated.

### **Doel van het onderzoek**

The Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer attenuation coefficient (RNFL-ac) in patients with Parkinson's disease differs significantly from the RNFL-ac in healthy controls.

### **Onderzoeksopzet**

End date: 1-jun-2015

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

None

## Contactpersonen

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## Deelname eisen

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

In order to be eligible to participate in this study, a patient must meet all of the following criteria:

- Clinical diagnosis of PD fulfilling the criteria of the UK PD Brain Bank (Appendix B)
- (modified) Hoehn and Yahr stage 2 – 4 (Appendix C) and a follow up of at least three years after diagnosis of PD.
- Age 50 – 70 years
- Best-corrected vision 20/30 or higher (using a Snellen chart)
- Intra-ocular pressure < 21 mmHg to rule out glaucoma

In order to be eligible to participate in this study, a control subject must meet all of the following criteria:

- Best-corrected vision 20/30 or higher (using a Snellen chart)
- Intra-ocular pressure < 21 mmHg to rule out glaucoma

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

- Media opacifications
- Concomitant ocular disease (glaucoma, retinal pathology, or pathology of the cornea, lens or optic nerve)
- History of ocular trauma
- History of laser therapy
- Degenerative neurological disease other than PD.
- MMSE < 26 in healthy controls (this is a possible indication of a degenerative neurological disease)
- First degree relative with PD

## **Onderzoeksopzet**

### **Opzet**

**Onderzoeksmodel:** Anders

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

### **Deelname**

Nederland

Status: Anders

(Verwachte) startdatum: 13-12-2014

Aantal proefpersonen: 40

Type: Onbekend

## Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies

Datum: 08-12-2014

Soort: Eerste indiening

## Registraties

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

ID: 44886

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

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

Geen registraties gevonden.

### In overige registers

| Register | ID             |
|----------|----------------|
| NTR-new  | NL4901         |
| NTR-old  | NTR5003        |
| CCMO     | NL47617.029.14 |
| OMON     | NL-OMON44886   |

## Resultaten