# The Effect of Vitamin D on the Consolidation of Extra-articular Fractures - a double-blind randomized controlled trial

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON20608

#### Source

Nationaal Trial Register

#### **Brief title**

**D-Union** 

#### **Health condition**

Vitamin D; Vitamin D deficiency; Vitamin D insufficiency; Vitamin D supplementation; Fracture healing; Delayed union.

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Leiden University Medical Center **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** -

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Delayed union, defined as incomplete consolidation (clinically and radiologically) after 4 months.

## **Secondary outcome**

- Non-union, defined as absent fracture consolidation after 9 months
- Complications during fracture healing (infection, mal-Union, refracture, (re)operation).
- Perceived pain
- Functional recovery
- Quality of life
- Cost(effectiveness)

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

## Background:

A large part of the population has a relative or absolute vitamin D deficiency. Recent, as yet unpublished results show that 70% of the patient population between 18 and 50 years with a fracture has a vitamin D insufficiency (25 (OH) D <75 nmol / L), and 40% has a deficiency (25 (OH) D <50 nmol / L). Vitamin D plays a role in the cellular process of fracture healing. However, the number of available clinical studies on the role of vitamin D on fracture healing is scarce and these studies mainly focus on elderly fracture patients. The clinical effect of vitamin D status and vitamin D supplementation on fracture healing is unknown in the fracture population aged between 18 and 50 years.

#### Study objectives:

The influence of the initial vitamin D status and the effect of vitamin D supplementation on the fracture consolidation will be studied. An evidence-based recommendation to vitamin D status and vitamin D supplementation in fracture treatment will be based on the study results. Primarily, the effect of vitamin D supplementation on bone healing, the incidence of delayed fracture healing (delayed union) will be investigated in a vitamin D insufficient fracture population. Secondary the effect of vitamin D supplementation on the occurrence of complications, functional outcome, and health-related quality of life will be investigated. We will also examine the influence of the initial vitamin D status on the fracture healing, and conduct a cost-effectiveness analysis on vitamin D supplementation.

## Study design:

In this double-blind randomized controlled trial, patients are randomized between 25.000IU Colecalciferol once a month for 4 months and placebo once a month for 4 months. Patients will be seen according to a fixed schedule during which fracture healing will be monitored using radiography, and blood samples will be obtained for determination of the vitamin D status.

## Study population:

250 patients aged between 18 and 50 years, with an extra-articular fracture of a long bone (clavicle, humerus, radius, antebrachii, femur, tibia, cruris or Weber A, B or C fracture).

## **Study objective**

Vitamin D supplementation reduces the incidence of delayed union in fracture patients with a vitamin D insufficiency, compared to placebo.

## Study design

1, 4, 8, 12, 16, 26 and 52 weeks after fracture.

#### Intervention

Group studie medication:

25.000IU Colecalciferol once a month during a period of 4 months.

Group placebo:

Placebo once a month during a period of 4 months.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

## Inclusion criteria

- Age between 18 and 50 years
- Extra-articular fracture of a long bone (clavicle, humerus, radius, antebrachii, femur, tibia, cruris or Weber A, B or C fracture)

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Refracture; pathologic fracture; complicated fracture; Injury severity Score > 16; pregnancy
- Growth hormone deficiency; Immune compromised, sarcoïdosis
- Use of: Vitamin D, corticosteroids, digoxin, calcium / bisfosfonate, phenobarbital, phenytoïn

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Placebo

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-07-2014

Enrollment: 250

Type: Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Not applicable

Application type: Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

# Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

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# Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

# In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL4236 NTR-old NTR4381 Other : 45897

# **Study results**

## **Summary results**

NA