# Scoring by PARtners and paTieNts of the EpwoRth sleepiness scale(ESS) in suspected Sleep apnea

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Positive opinion

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

**Study type** Observational non invasive

### **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON22885

**Source** 

Nationaal Trial Register

**Brief title** PARTNERS

Health condition

Sleep Apnea Syndrome

### **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: none

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: None

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Partner-ESS score versus patients ESS-score

#### **Secondary outcome**

### **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Worldwide the Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS) is the most important questionnaire to score sleepiness. It is remarkably simple and easy to use, scoring sleepiness in 8 situations (a score of 10 or more is abnormal). The test is especially useful for diagnosis of the Obstructive Sleep Apnea syndrome (OSA).

One of the most disturbing problems with the ESS is that is a very subjective score: the patient scores his own sleepiness. Our experience in the clinic is that when we discuss the problem with the patient, the partner of the patient often disagrees and suggests that the patient is underestimating his/her sleepiness problem.

Therefore, in this study we ask partners of patients to score ESS for their partner.

#### Study objective

We hypothesize that partners will score ESS more severe than patients and that they have better judgment about presence and/or severity of OSA.

#### Study design

Primary outcome: ESS score patients and partners are retrieved the morning after PSG when the measurements have been performed. Secondary outcomes: PSG data are collected after PSG analysis, usually within 2 weeks.

#### Intervention

partner-ESS

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## **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

- Adult age (18 years and older)
- Referred in the period from 01.08.2020 and 01.08.2021 to the Department of Pulmonary Medicine of the Zuyderland Medical Center with suspicion of sleep apnea
- The patient and the partner must be skilled enough to complete a questionnaire written in Dutch and to understand the informed consent procedure and forms.
- The partner must share the same household as the patient

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- Patients without a partner sharing the same household
- Patients and partners who are unable to complete the Dutch questionnaire because of the language barrier.

# Study design

### **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: N/A, unknown

#### Recruitment

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Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-08-2020

Enrollment: 504

Type: Anticipated

### **IPD** sharing statement

Plan to share IPD: Undecided

### **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 16-07-2020

Application type: First submission

# **Study registrations**

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

No registrations found.

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

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL9403

Other METC-Z : Not yet approved

# **Study results**