

# A simplified diagnostic algorithm for suspected pulmonary embolism

No registrations found.

<b>Ethical review</b>	Positive opinion
<b>Status</b>	Pending
<b>Health condition type</b>	-
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON29438

### Source

Nationaal Trial Register

### Brief title

N/A

### Health condition

Diagnostic algorithm / diagnostisch algoritme  
Pulmonary embolism / longembolie

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Leiden University Medical Center

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Not applicable

## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

(recurrent) PE, DVT

### Secondary outcome

mortality, number of performed CTPA.

## Study description

### Background summary

Rationale: Current diagnostic algorithms for pulmonary embolism (PE) still result in a high number of negative computed tomography pulmonary angiography (CTPA) scans. In addition, they are relatively complex resulting in low application in clinical practice outside clinical studies. Recently, a post-hoc study demonstrated a safe, simplified and more efficient diagnostic strategy. With this registry, we aim to evaluate this strategy prospectively.

Objectives: 1) to evaluate the clinical utility and safety of the YEARS algorithm; 2) to assess the percentage of patients in whom a CTPA was required.

Design: A prospective multi-center registry of consecutive patients with suspected (recurrent) PE. Participants will be evaluated according to the YEARS algorithm consisting of three items of the original Wells rule (clinical signs of DVT, hemoptysis, 'PE most likely diagnosis') and a D-dimer test. In patients without any of the three items and a D-dimer level  $<1.0 \mu\text{g/mL}$ , and in patients with  $\geq 1$  items and a D-dimer level  $<0.5 \mu\text{g/mL}$  a PE is excluded without CTPA. In the other patients a CTPA will be performed. All patients will be followed for a period of 3 months.

### Study objective

To evaluate the safety and efficiency of a new diagnostic strategy for patients with suspected pulmonary embolism

### Study design

Follow-up duration: the primary and secondary endpoints will be determined after 3 months follow-up.

### Intervention

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## Eligibility criteria

### Inclusion criteria

Consecutive patients with suspected (recurrent) PE.

### Exclusion criteria

- life expectancy <3 months
- treatment with full-dose therapeutic low molecular weight heparin or unfractionated heparin that was initiated 24 hours or more prior to eligibility assessment
- treatment with vitamin K antagonists (coumarin derivatives)

- contraindication to helical CT.

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	N/A , unknown

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	07-10-2013
Enrollment:	3260
Type:	Anticipated

## Ethics review

Positive opinion	
Date:	01-10-2013
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	NL4020
NTR-old	NTR4193
Other	: P13.151
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## Study results

### Summary results

N/A