# A tilt-detector for the Xal-Ease eye drops delivery aid. Usability and patient satisfaction.

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Glaucoma and ocular hypertension

**Study type** Observational non invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON32758

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

E-Box & Xal-Ease

#### **Condition**

Glaucoma and ocular hypertension

#### **Synonym**

glaucoma/ocular hypertension

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Oogziekenhuis Rotterdam

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Pfizer, Stichting Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek

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#### Intervention

**Keyword:** Delivery aid for eye drops, Glaucoma/Ocular hypertension, Patient satisfaction

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Part 1: Ratio of correctly administered fluorescein drops.

Part 2: Treatment satisfaction score.

#### **Secondary outcome**

**IOP** 

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Glaucoma is a chronic and progressive disease requiring long-term treatment. Self-instillation of eye drops poses a risk of limited compliance, especially in the elderly, which affects both health outcome and costs of glaucoma care. Failure of proper instillation of eye drops can be caused by the incorrect (vertical) positioning of the bottle relative to the eye. The delivery aid for Xalatan® (i.e. the Xal-Ease) has been adapted with an auxiliary tool, the E-Box, comprising a tilt-sensor. The E-Box measures the angle relative to gravity and provides both an auditory and a visual signal to press the bottle when positioned correctly.

#### Study objective

Part 1: To determine the effectiveness of self-instillation of fluorescein drops by means of the combined E-Box/Xal-Ease device.

Part 2: To determine patient satisfaction of the two administration procedures, i.e. Xal-Ease versus E-Box/Xal-Ease.

#### Study design

Part 1: Diagnostic.

Part 2: Open-label, cross-over pilot study.

#### Study burden and risks

The E-Box does not pose any risk. Possibly, compliance will be improved during use of the E-Box. Participation requires three extra, study-related, visits to the Rotterdam Eye Hospital, with each visit taking about 20 minutes.

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

#### Inclusion criteria

- Informed consent.
- Age > 18 years.
- Glaucoma or ocular hypertension.
- Use of Xalatan for IOP reduction.

## **Exclusion criteria**

- IOP reducing surgery.
- Auditory impairment.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Crossover

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-03-2010

Enrollment: 20

Type: Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 04-02-2010

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Erasmus MC, Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam

(Rotterdam)

# **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

CCMO NL30864.078.09