# Pancreatic islet cell response to multiple stimuli in long standing diabetes mellitus type 1

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Glucose metabolism disorders (incl diabetes mellitus)

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON46034

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Islet cell response in longterm diabetes mellitus type1

#### **Condition**

Glucose metabolism disorders (incl diabetes mellitus)

#### **Synonym**

Diabetes mellitus type 1, juvenile Diabetes

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: afdeling researchbudget uit verschillend

onderzoeksfondsen

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** □-cells, Diabetes mellitus type 1

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

- the delta maximum concentration of the C-peptide concentration in response to

the individual stimuli

#### **Secondary outcome**

- delta maximum concentration of the other biomarkers in response to the

individual stimuli

- Ratios of the C-peptide concentration at the clamp day and the C-peptide

concentration at the meal test day after certain stimuli

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

Type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1D) is an autoimmune disease in which pancreatic \*cells are destroyed and endogenous insulin production is lost. Moreover in the period around diagnosis there is a clear functional \*-cell function deficit including disturbed proinsulin cleavage. 1 There is mounting evidence that some \*-cells still survive in a significant portion of patients with long standing T1D. In patients with the diagnosis of T1D for 4-67 years, \*-cells are detected in 88% of subjects histologically and stimulated C-peptide concentrations could be detected with an ultrasensitive assay in 73% of patients with T1D and a median disease duration of thirty years.2;3 Studies have shown that this residual \*-cell function is associated with improved glycaemic regulation, lower risk of complications and fewer hypoglycaemic events.4;5 There is little known about the function of these residual \*-cells in regard to the secretion insulin to various stimuli and the efficiency of proinsulin cleavage in long-standing T1D. Furthermore, cumulative \*-cell stimulation might be a useful clinical marker for \*-cell mass, which now can only be assessed post-mortem. Elucidating this differential and cumulative \*-cell response to various stimuli can lead to better pathophysiological understanding and novel treatment insights.

Besides the obvious \*-cell deficit in type 1 diabetes, hyperglucagonaemia after meals and lack of glucagon secretion during hypoglycaemia are observed.6;7 Since little is known about the \*-cell function regarding the response to the various \*-cell stimuli and the precise role of the \*-cells in the pathophysiology of T1D remains unclear, glucagon concentration will also be assessed.

#### **Study objective**

#### Primary objective:

- To determine the residual \*-cell function by measuring the differential response of \*-cells measured by C-peptide and proinsulin secretion to various stimuli in patients with long-standing type 1 diabetes mellitus.

#### Secondary objectives:

- To determine the residual \*-cell function by measuring the response of alpha cells measured by glucagon to various stimuli in patients with long-standing type 1 diabetes mellitus.
- To determine how the various stimuli relate to the more commonly used mixed meal tolerance test (MMTT)

#### Study design

This is a prospective, single-centre, non-therapeutic intervention study

#### Intervention

The patients will visit our research unit twice. The first visit consists of a mixed meal test with a standardised liquid meal followed by an 5g arginine bolus. On the second visit they will receive a euglycaemic clamp set at 5 mmol/L after which a 5g arginine bolus is given. This is followed by a hyperglycaemic clamp set at 14 mmol/L after which another bolus of arginine is given. For the last step patients receive a continuous infusion of glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) followed again by a bolus of arginine.

#### Study burden and risks

#### Burden:

The study participants are asked to visit twice after an overnight fast and remain recumbent each visit for 2-5 hours. Two venous catheters will be placed to draw a total of 150 ml blood . Arginine was well-tolerated in previous studies with flushing and oral paraesthesia as most common complaints, and some patients experienced mild nausea.8 The most reported adverse effect of GLP-1 are gastro-intestinal symptoms,9;10 although this is uncommon with the dose that is administered intravenously in this study.11-13 In a previous study some mild hypoglycaemic symptoms occurred after the GLP-1 infusion was stopped but

this could be abolished by a meal and by infusing glucose thirty minutes longer.14

#### Risks:

An anaphylactic reaction to arginine has been described once.15 Since GLP-1 is a physiological peptide it is tolerated well, some gastro-intestinal symptoms have been described although this is uncommon after intravenous administration.9;10

#### Benefit:

More insight in the pathophysiology of type 1 diabetes, possible therapeutic approaches to stimulate remaining \*-cells and a clinically applicable marker of total \*-cell mass.

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

#### Inclusion criteria

Diagnosis of diabetes according to the ADA criteria for diagnosis of diabetes mellitus At least 5 years after the first insulin injection

History and clinical course consistent with diabetes mellitus type 1

#### **Exclusion criteria**

Having had an allergic reaction to arginine and/or GLP-1 (agonists)

Use of \*-cell stimulants (e.g. sulphonylureas), GLP 1 agonist, dipeptidyl peptidase- IV inhibitors, insulin sensitizers (e.g. metformin, thiazolidinediones) in the 3 months before inclusion

Use of medication know to induce insulin resistance (e.g. corticosteroids) in the 3 months before inclusion

History of cardiovascular disease (cerebral, coronary or peripheral artery disease), kidney disease (eGFR <60 ml/min/1.73m-2 in the last year), liver disease or disease of the central nervous system

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Uncontrolled Control:

Other Primary purpose:

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

08-08-2017 Start date (anticipated):

**Enrollment:** 16

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

#### Approved WMO

Date: 30-09-2016

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)

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Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (Leiden)

# **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 NL55988.058.16