

# Umbilical oximetry during the neonatal transition: a feasibility study

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Other condition
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON48518

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

PULSE study (Placing Umbilical Sensor Early at birth study)

## Condition

- Other condition
- Neonatal and perinatal conditions
- Neonatal respiratory disorders

### Synonym

neonatal changes from intrauterine to extrauterine life, neonatal transition

### Health condition

fysiologische neonatale transitie

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Vidi beurs

## Intervention

**Keyword:** neonatal transition, oximetry, umbilical cord

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The primary outcome will be the proportion of infants who have a reliable umbilical pulse oximetry signal acquisition within the first 60 seconds after birth

### Secondary outcome

Proportion of infants in whom the umbilical cord oximeter can be successfully placed

Time from birth to sensor application

Time from sensor application to reliable signal acquisition

Time from birth to reliable signal acquisition

SpO<sub>2</sub> (umbilical) at 2 second intervals during the first 10 min after birth

HR (umbilical) at 2 second intervals during the first 10 min after birth

Number of adverse events related to the umbilical cord

## Study description

### Background summary

Several studies have demonstrated the beneficial effects of delayed cord clamping in infants at birth. This approach is therefore increasingly implemented in clinical practice. Benefits associated with delayed cord

clamping are an increase haemoglobin, hematocrit and a reduction in the risk for iron deficiency anaemia in the first year of life. These beneficial effects have been attributed to the increase in neonatal blood volume from the placenta (placental transfusion).

Heartrate and oxygen saturation are used for clinical evaluation of a newborn, by placing a pulseoximeter sensor on the right hand of the newborn. It is possible reliable signals can be obtained faster when placing the sensor on the umbilical cord. However, it is yet to be determined if pulseoximeter measurements obtained from the umbilical cord are both accurate and obtained faster.

## **Study objective**

To determine the feasibility of measuring SpO<sub>2</sub> and HR by applying a pulse oximetry probe to the umbilical cord at birth in term neonates undergoing PBCC.

## **Study design**

Prospective, observational study

## **Study burden and risks**

There are no risks associated with placing or using pulseoximeter sensors. There is a theoretical risk of umbilical arterial vasospasm associated with umbilical cord manipulation when the probe of the oximeter is applied around the umbilicus. Umbilical arterial vasospasm is rarely (3%) observed during invasive procedures<sup>9</sup> (umbilical arterial catheterisation). In this study measurements are however non-invasive where the sensor wrap is gently wrapped around the umbilicus, to avoid traction or pressure on the umbilical cord. Hence, the risk associated with umbilical oximeter application is likely to be negligible.

Pulse oximetry is standardly used at birth in infants where clinical evaluation is needed and sensors are specifically designed for (pre)term neonates. We do not expect any other risks concerning the use of this device. The use of the pulse oximeter will not interfere with contact between mother and child.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## **Eligibility criteria**

### **Age**

Children (2-11 years)

### **Inclusion criteria**

Healthy infants born at Leiden University Medical Centre birth centre.  
Gestational age of at least 37 weeks, of multiparous mothers  
No need for resuscitation/respiratory support

### **Exclusion criteria**

significant congenital malformations influencing the cardiopulmonary transition  
signs of placental abruption or placenta praevia  
signs of severe fetal distress necessitating an emergency caesarean section  
infants needing respiratory support during transition as the cord will then be clamped immediately  
infants born via caesarean section  
infants with short umbilical cords, that are unable to be placed at their mothers chest

## **Study design**

## Design

**Study type:** Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 02-12-2019

Enrollment: 15

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Massimo Radical-7 pulse oximeter

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 27-11-2019

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Leiden-Den Haag-Delft (Leiden)

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## 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	NL70932.058.19

## Study results

Date completed:	18-06-2020
Actual enrolment:	21