

Deep Brain Stimulation for MOr symptoms in patients with Parkinson*s disease DEmentia (DBS- MODE)

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| Ethical review | Approved WMO |
| Status | Recruiting |
| Health condition type | Movement disorders (incl parkinsonism) |
| Study type | Interventional |

Summary

ID

NL-OMON54196

Source

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Brief title

DBS-MODE

Condition

- Movement disorders (incl parkinsonism)
- Nervous system, skull and spine therapeutic procedures

Synonym

Parkinson, shaking palsy

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Academisch Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Stichting Bavalo

Intervention

Keyword: Deep brain stimulation, Dementia, Motor symptoms, Parkinson's disease

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Patients will be assessed at baseline, 15 weeks, 30 weeks and 52 weeks after randomization. The primary outcome measure is the change from baseline to 30 weeks follow-up of motor symptoms in off-drug phase measured with the Movement Disorder Society - Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale (MDS-UPDRS) part III.

Secondary outcome

The secondary outcome measures include neuropsychological evaluation, psychiatric assessment, additional motor evaluations during on-drug phase, functional health status, falls, usage of medication, (S)AEs, treatment satisfaction, caregiver burden, medical care consumption and recruitment and retention rate.

The outcome measures of the exploratory part of the study include low-fidelity LFP data, high-fidelity LFP data, triggered LFP recordings, and paper patient diaries.

Study description

Background summary

Deep brain stimulation (DBS) of the subthalamic nucleus (STN) is an established treatment for disabling motor symptoms of Parkinson's disease (PD) that persist

despite optimal pharmacological treatment. Currently, apparent cognitive impairment (e.g., dementia) is considered a contra-indication for DBS. However, the scientific underpinning to withhold these patients DBS is weak. In addition, DBS-surgical procedures have developed considerably in recent years. If the proposed research demonstrates that DBS is efficacious in patients with PD and dementia (PDD), a large group of patients may benefit from the treatment.

The explorative part of the study will investigate the correlation between cognitive and neuropsychiatric symptoms and neuronal activity in PDD. The objectives hereof are to determine if specific local field potential (LFP) patterns in the STN are linked to cognitive fluctuations and neuropsychiatric symptoms (such as psychotic symptoms and anxiety) in patients with PDD.

Study objective

The primary objective of the proposed research is to investigate in patients with PDD the efficacy of STN-DBS with best oral medical treatment (DBS-group) for disabling motor symptoms during off-drug phase compared to best oral medical treatment alone (BMT-group). The secondary objective is to compare development of cognitive and psychiatric problems, on-drug phase motor symptoms, functional health status, falls, usage of medication, (serious) adverse events ((S)AEs), treatment satisfaction, medical care consumption and caregiver burden between the DBS-group and BMT-group in addition to determining the recruitment and retention rate.

Study design

The study is a single center prospective, randomized, open-label, blinded end-point clinical trial (PROBE design).

Intervention

During the DBS surgery high frequency stimulation electrodes will be placed bilaterally in the STN. Next a pulse generator will be implanted subcutaneously under the clavicle, which can adjust current, pulse width and frequency. All patients will receive BMT, consisting of PD-treatment according to current guidelines and can be adjusted accordingly.

Study burden and risks

Currently, dementia is considered a contra-indication for DBS in PD, because a thought of concern is that patients with dementia have a greater risk of cognitive deterioration and complications such as delirium and psychosis. However, there is no evidence suggesting that this risk is much higher for patients with dementia compared to patients without dementia. DBS appears to be safe in case series including patients with PDD as well as in clinical studies

with patients undergoing experimental DBS for dementia. An important possible benefit is the improvement in motor symptoms.

It is hypothesized that the risks for (S)AEs is acceptable for patients with PDD undergoing DBS, however, the study could show that this is actually not the case. The operation will take place under general anesthesia instead of local anesthesia. The surplus in burden related to treatment for patients randomized to DBS-group consists of the screening of motor symptoms during on-drug and off-drug phase with the MDS-UPDRS 30 weeks after randomization (a two-days hospital stay), and four days of hospitalization for the DBS surgery. The surplus in burden for evaluating the outcome measures and travel time accounts for approximately 5 to 8 hours. Patients allocated to BMT-group experience no additional burden related to treatment, as they will receive care in line with standard practice. The burden associated with the extra assessments is approximately 6 to 9 hours.

If patients randomized to DBS agree to collect additional observational data for the explorative part investigating the correlation between cognitive and neuropsychiatric symptoms and neuronal activity in PDD, one additional hospital visit of 15 minutes and an at-home observation period of seven days will be added to the burden. The in-hospital visit encompasses extensive LFP recordings while sitting still and performing cognitive tasks. During the at-home observations, participants and caregiver will be instructed to trigger a broad-band (0-125 Hz) LFP recording (i.e., an *event*) via their patient programmer upon the occurrence of psychotic symptoms (hallucinations), anxiety symptoms (nervousness, restless or tense), at a moment of bad cognition, and at a moment of relatively good cognition. Additionally, participants and caregivers will fill out paper patient diaries on the aforementioned symptoms.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

- age 18 years and older;
- diagnosis of PD according to the clinical diagnostic criteria of the Movement Disorder Society (MDS);
- despite optimal pharmacological treatment, at least one of the following symptoms, that are severe enough to impair functioning in daily life independent of dementia: o motor response fluctuations; o dyskinesia; o painful dystonia; o levodopa-responsive bradykinesia;
- diagnosis of probable or possible Parkinson*s disease dementia (PDD) according to the MDS clinical diagnostic criteria (a.o. this encompasses the development of dementia a*fter established diagnosis of PD). This will be based on a standardized neuropsychological examination; i.e. presence of at least 3 abnormal (i.e. < 2 standard deviations) tests covering at least 2 cognitive domains. If a test cannot be executed due to severe cognitive difficulties the test is regarded to be abnormal;
- an expected life expectancy of at least two years;
- participant has decision capacity to give informed consent, judgement of which is at the discretion of an experienced neurologist from the study team;
- participant provides written informed consent;
- regular contact with a caregiver, who has approximately twice a week contact with the participant and also provides written informed consent for their own participation.

Exclusion criteria

- any neurodegenerative disorder other than PD;
- previous neurosurgery for PD (e.g., DBS, pallidotomy, thalamotomy). Nota bene: intrajejunal levodopa infusion or subcutaneous apomorphine infusion are not considered an exclusion criterion;
- contraindications for DBS-surgery, such as a physical disorder making surgery hazardous;

- Hoehn and Yahr stage 4 or 5 at the best moment during the day;
- co*existence of another abnormality or disorder:
 - o that causes cognitive impairment that may improve with specific treatment; OR
 - o that besides PDD is judged to contribute significantly to the cognitive impairment by the treating physician;
- current major depressive episode according to the fifth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5);
- current psychosis (treatment with antipsychotics is allowed);
- other severely disabling condition;
- immobility during the greater part of the day not related to off-drug phase (e.g., due to apathy);
- pregnancy, breastfeeding, and women of childbearing age not using a reliable method of contraception.

Study design

Design

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| Study phase: | 2 |
| Study type: | Interventional |
| Intervention model: | Other |
| Allocation: | Randomized controlled trial |
| Masking: | Open (masking not used) |

Primary purpose: Treatment

Recruitment

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| NL | |
| Recruitment status: | Recruiting |
| Start date (anticipated): | 02-11-2021 |
| Enrollment: | 90 |
| Type: | Actual |

Medical products/devices used

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| Generic name: | DBS (deep brain stimulation) |
| Registration: | Yes - CE intended use |

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 21-06-2021

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

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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

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In other registers

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