# Markers for Determining Atrial Remodeling in Patients with Atrial Fibrillation

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**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type Cardiac arrhythmias

**Study type** Observational non invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON55444

Source

ToetsingOnline

**Brief title**MARK AF

## **Condition**

Cardiac arrhythmias

#### **Synonym**

Atrial Fibrillation, heart rhythm disturbances

#### Research involving

Human

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Ministerie van OC&W

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** atrial fibrillation, atrial remodeling, biomarkers, invasive treatment

#### **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

Changes in biomarkers involved in the remodelling process of the atrium in AF

will be related to the outcome after treatment.

#### **Secondary outcome**

NVT

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Atrial Fibrillation (AF) is the most common type of arrhythmia seen in clinical practice. Its prevalence is projected to grow at least two-fold by 2050, due to aging of the population. AF is a progressive disease and progression of the disease varies between patients. The pathophysiological process of AF is complex because of its multifactorial character. Increasing AF burden leads to structural and electrical remodeling of the atria, creating a substrate that is favourable for sustaining AF propagation, through electrical or structural remodeling. Specifically fibrosis is known to play an important role in the progression of the disease. However despite extensive research that has already been performed in the field of AF the exact pathophysiological process remains incompletely understood.

Minimally invasive treatment strategies for AF, using catheter ablation techniques or video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery , are promising, but success rates for these procedures are relatively low. Recognizing patients that are prone for recurrence of AF remains a challenge when determining a proper treatment strategy. The ability to identify subgroups of patients that can benefit from a specific treatment strategy might provide more individualized therapeutic opportunities, improve prognostication or provide preventive opportunities in patient with AF.

## Study objective

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conducted on the cardiac tissue and blood samples. We aim to correlate the findings from these analyses with clinical characteristics of patients with atrial fibrillation and to compare these findings with findings from analyses on atrial tissue, fat and blood from a control population. With these results we aim to identify both non-invasive and invasive diagnostic markers to determine the pathophysiological process of AF in individual patients

# Study design

The study is a single center study.

# Study burden and risks

The collection of blood poses no significant risk to the patients.

# **Contacts**

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# **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

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#### Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

- Patients with AF, undergoing VATS-PVI
- Age between 18 and 80 years
- Symptomatic AF, paroxysmal, persistent or longstanding persistent
- AF was documented on ECG/Holter/Pacemaker electrogram at least once in the 12 months preceding presentation

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Left ventricular ejection fraction < 30%
- Severe heart failure (NYHA IV)
- Pregnancy

# Study design

# **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

# Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 19-02-2015

Enrollment: 1000

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 21-11-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 11-11-2015

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 18-09-2017

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 20-08-2021

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

# **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 NL50069.018.14