# **European microCirculatory Resistance and Absolute Flow Team-The Euro-CRAFT Registry**

# Prospective evaluation of the impact of coronary themodilution on clinical outcomes in chronic coronary syndromes

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To assess the rate of major adverse cardiac and cerebrovascular events (MACCE) between patients with and without coronary microvascular disease (CMD) based on Microvascular Resistance Reserve (MRR) at 1 year follow-up.

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

**Health condition type** Coronary artery disorders **Study type** Observational invasive

# Summary

### ID

NL-OMON56717

### **Source**

**ToetsingOnline** 

### **Brief title**

**Euro-CRAFT** registry

### **Condition**

Coronary artery disorders

### **Synonym**

chronic coronary syndromes, disease of the small coronaries

### Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** CoreAalst BV

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Grant van Hexacath, Hexacath

Intervention

**Keyword:** Coronary Arteries, microvascular, resistance measurement

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

Primary endpoint will be the rate of major adverse cardiac and cerebrovascular

events at one year (MACCE - defined as cardiovascular death, myocardial

infarction, revascularization, angina and heart failure-related

hospitalizations, and stroke) between patients with and without CMD based on

MRR at 1 year follow-up.

**Secondary outcome** 

Main Secondary endpoints:

1. Relationship between MACCE\*s and each thermodilution derived metrics of

microvascular function (i.e., absolute hyperemic flow, absolute hyperemic

resistance, IMR and CFR).

2. Relationship between the presence and severity of angina, assessed by SAQ-

19, and each individual thermodilution-derived metrics of microvascular

function (i.e., absolute hyperemic flow, absolute hyperemic resistance, IMR and

CFR).

3. Relationship between the presence and severity of angina, assessed by the

Euro-CRAFT app, and each individual thermodilution-derived metrics of

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microvascular function (i.e., absolute hyperemic flow, absolute hyperemic resistance, IMR and CFR).

- 4. Safety of continuous and bolus thermodilution measurements, as assessed by adverse event registration.
- 5. To determine cut-off values of thermodilution-derived indices.
- 6. To assess the prevalence of CMD based on MRR in patients with angina and non-obstructive coronary artery disease (NOCAD).

# **Study description**

# **Background summary**

The arterial coronary circulation can be subdivided into two compartments: the epicardial arteries and the microcirculation.

The microcirculation consists of arteries smaller than 500 micrometers and by the capillary network. Its main function is to match blood flow to the needs of the cardiac contractile apparatus. Accordingly, the function of the microvasculature is primarily characterized by the microvascular resistance, an index that is difficult to assess.

In a sizable proportion of patients with chest pain, no significant epicardial narrowing can be seen at coronary angiography, even in case of typical anginal complaints. This condition is defined as ischemia with no obstructive coronary arteries (INOCA)(3-6) and often related to microcirculatory dysfunction. In addition, in patients with acute coronary syndromes, normal or near normal coronary angiograms may be found. Such condition is known as myocardial infarction with no obstructive coronary arteries (MINOCA).

We have introduced and validated a new invasive method to measure absolute coronary flow (in mL/min) and absolute microvascular resistance (in Woods Units, WU). The method is based on the continuous thermodilution principle. Saline at room temperature is slowly but steadily infused in the proximal part of the artery. The accuracy of thermodilution-derived flow measurements has been validated against 15H2O-PET flow measurements.

A necessary prerequisite for clinical application of absolute coronary flow

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(Q), microvascular resistance (R $\mu$ ) and of MRR is to establish some basic characteristics of this new indices, to investigate feasibility and safety when obtained on a broader scale by continuous thermodilution, to compare its value to other existing metrics, and to correlate MRR to clinical outcome data.

### Study objective

To assess the rate of major adverse cardiac and cerebrovascular events (MACCE) between patients with and without coronary microvascular disease (CMD) based on Microvascular Resistance Reserve (MRR) at 1 year follow-up.

# Study design

The Euro-CRAFT Registry is an investigator-initiated, prospective, multicentric, international registry of patients undergoing functional assessment of the coronary microcirculation using the continuous thermodilution technique.

Angina and quality of life questionnaires (Seattle Angina Questionnaire 19 - SAQ19, Euro-CRAFT smartphone app) will be obtained at baseline, at 6 months, and 1-year follow-up.

Clinical follow-up will be performed at 1 year (optionally until 5 years).

# Study burden and risks

In-hospital follow-up during baseline test: The occurrence of any complication or adverse events should be reported. Hospital discharge will be done following local practices.

Subsequent clinical follow-up will take place after 1 year and, optional yearly till 5 years. SAQ-19 will be assessed at baseline, 6 months and 1 year follow-up. Clinical follow-up and collection of questionnaires can be performed either by in-hospital visit or by phone.

### Anticipated benefits for the patient

This prospective study doesn\*t interfere with the normal diagnostic and therapeutic process. The systematic assessment of the continuous thermodilution curves may lead to a definitive diagnosis and guide treatment strategy. There are no other anticipated benefits regarding the medical treatment or treatment strategy before, during or after the study as there is no other interference with any of them. The definite treatment strategy will be based on currently applied strategies and guidelines and will not change due to the study. All treatment decision will be done at operator discretion.

Anticipated risks for the patient

No additional risks for the patients are expected. This study does not interfere with any common or generally used test or processes during the work-up of CAD in any patient. No additional imaging or acquisition protocols are mandatory. No additional radiation is warranted. The potential risk for the patient applies to the known and common risks during the diagnostic work-up process or during invasive coronary angiography (ICA) with assessment of coronary microcirculation but are unrelated to this study. Invasive functional assessment of the microcirculation has been recommended as class IIa in INOCA according to the ACC/AHA Chest Pain Guideline.

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# **Trial sites**

# **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

### Age

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

### Inclusion criteria

Consecutive patients in whom physiological assessment of the microcirculatory function including continuous coronary thermodilution has been performed with a Pressure-wire X within the context of routine clinical care.

### **Exclusion criteria**

- . Age <18 years
- 2. Unable to provide written informed consent (IC)
- 3. Unstable hemodynamics
- 4. Ongoing chest pain
- 5. Previous CABG
- 6. Moderate to severe valvular heart disease
- 7. Uncontrolled or recurrent ventricular tachycardia.
- 8. Active liver disease or hepatic dysfunction, defined as AST or ALT > 3 times the ULN.
- 9. Comorbidity with life expectancy <= 2 years.
- 10. Severe renal dysfunction, defined as an eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m2.
- 11. Subject is currently participating in another investigational drug or device clinical study.
- 12. Presence of other anatomic or comorbid conditions, or other medical, social, or psychological conditions that, in the investigator's opinion, could limit the subject's ability to participate in the clinical investigation or to comply with follow-up requirements, or impact the scientific soundness of the clinical investigation results.

# Study design

# Design

Study phase: 4

Study type: Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 03-06-2024

Enrollment: 100

Type: Actual

# Medical products/devices used

Registration: No

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 09-04-2024

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United

(Nieuwegein)

# **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

Other Clintrials.gov nummer volgt, staat nog niet openbaar.

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