# Excitation-contraction and excitationtranscription coupling in atrial fibrillation

Submission date	Recruitment status	<ul><li>Prospectively registered</li></ul>
28/05/2010	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	<ul><li>Statistical analysis plan</li></ul>
10/02/2011	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	[] Individual participant data
29/05/2020	Circulatory System	<ul><li>Record updated in last year</li></ul>

### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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### Type(s)

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### Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS** number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

MEC 10-2-004

## Study information

#### Scientific Title

Calcium role in the excitation-contraction and excitation-transcription coupling processes in human atrial fibrillation

### **Study objectives**

- 1. Reduction of the action potential duration in atrial fibrillation (AF) alters the intracellular calcium signaling which can be proarrhythmic
- 2. The alterations in intracellular calcium signaling affect the nuclear calcium signaling which induces the activation of specific calcium-dependent transcription pathways in AF

### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

### Ethics approval(s)

Medical Ethics Committee of AZM, Maastricht Hospital, pending as of 28/05/2010

#### Study design

Interventional open study

### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Secondary study design

Non randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Hospital

#### Study type(s)

Treatment

#### Participant information sheet

### Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Cardiac atrial fibrillation

#### Interventions

Biopsies of right atrial appendages in patients in SR, with paroxysmal and persistent AF and undergoing for open chest surgery.

### Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome measure

Measured on day of biopsy:

- 1. To study the intracellular calcium alterations in human paroxysmal and persistent AF and the proarrhythmic effects of these alterations in comparison to SR
- 2. To study the nuclear calcium signaling in human paroxysmal and persistent AF in comparison to SR
- 3. To determine the Ca2+-dependent transcription pathways activated in AF and to study the consequences of the inactivation of these pathways on atrial cell electrical properties (i.e. AP, currents) and function (contraction)

#### Secondary outcome measures

Measured on day of biopsy:

- 1. To determine the type of intracellular Ca2+ signals which can trigger cellular arrhythmias
- 2. To determine the key elements which play a major role in the activated calcium-dependent transcription pathways for drug targets
- 3. Long term goals: to restore contraction in AF and to prevent thrombosis

### Overall study start date

01/08/2010

### Completion date

31/01/2015

## **Eligibility**

### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Patients applying to the predefined groups
- 2. Patients have given written consent
- 3. Both women and men between 18 years (included) and 70 years (included) old

### Participant type(s)

Patient

### Age group

Adult

### Lower age limit

18 Years

#### Sex

Both

### Target number of participants

570

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Patients who are scheduled for re-operation
- 2. Patients who do not speak/understand Dutch
- 3. Patients with sick sinus syndrome, atrioventricular (AV)-block or internal pacemaker
- 4. Patients who are not will-competent

#### Date of first enrolment

01/08/2010

### Date of final enrolment

31/01/2015

### Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

### Study participating centre Maastricht University

Maastricht Netherlands 6200 MD

## Sponsor information

### Organisation

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University/education

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http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/02jz4aj89

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

### Research organisation

#### **Funder Name**

Fondation LEDUCQ (France)

### Alternative Name(s)

Leducq Foundation

### **Funding Body Type**

Private sector organisation

### Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

#### Location

France

## **Results and Publications**

### Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

### IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration