# Brain Development after prenatal growth retardation: effects of growth hormone treatment

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26/02/2007	No longer recruiting	Protocol
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26/02/2007	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
26/08/2021	Nutritional, Metabolic, Endocrine	<ul><li>Record updated in last year</li></ul>

# Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

# Contact information

# Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS** number

Nil known

**IRAS** number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Nil known

## Secondary identifying numbers

NL851 (NTR865)

# Study information

### Scientific Title

Brain Development after prenatal growth retardation: effects of growth hormone treatment

## Acronym

SGA Brain Development study

## Study objectives

This study aims to evaluate the effect of growth hormone treatment on brain functioning and development in children born with a low birth weight/length with incomplete catch up growth.

The two other hypotheses this study aims to evaluate are:

- 1. Is there a difference in brain functioning in children born with a low birth weight/length between those without and with complete catch up growth?
- 2. Will intra-uterine growth failure affect brain development/functioning?

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Approval received from the Medical Ethics Review Committee of de Vrije Universiteit medical centre, Amsterdam on the 1st March 2007 (ref: 06/279).

## Study design

Non-randomised parallel group trial

# Primary study design

Interventional

# Secondary study design

Single-centre

# Study setting(s)

Hospital

# Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

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

Small for Gestational Age (SGA), brain development

#### **Interventions**

Structural (only at baseline) and functional MRIs, MEG and extensive neuropsychologic testing will be performed at baseline, after one year and three years in both groups A (treatment with growth hormone (somatropin) and B (without treatment).

SGA patients older than six years of age, with incomplete catch-up growth with the indication of GH treatment, will be followed on neuropsychologic functioning.

## Hypothesis 2/3:

In groups C and D structural and functional MRIs, MEG and extensive neuropsychological testing will be performed only at start of the study.

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

**Not Specified** 

## Primary outcome measure

- 1. To determine the effect of prenatal growth retardation on brain functioning/development
- 2. To determine the effect of growth hormone treatment on brain functioning/development in children born after prenatal growth retardation
- 3. To assess wether there is a difference in brain development in between SGA children with and without postnatal catch up growth

## Secondary outcome measures

No secondary outcome measures

## Overall study start date

01/03/2007

## Completion date

01/03/2011

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria group A/B:

- 1. Birth weight or birth length below -2 Standard Deviation (SD) adjusted for duration of pregnancy
- 2. Present height below -2.5 SD and at least 1 SD below target height-SD score
- 3. Calendar age between four and six years
- 4. No evidence of catch up growth during the preceding year
- 5. Children are under regular control by pediatrician, choose to be or not to be treated with Growth Hormone (GH)

## Inclusion criteria group C:

- 1. Birth weight or birth length below -2 SD adjusted for duration of pregnancy
- 2. Present height above -2.0 SD and above minus 1 SD of target height -SD score

Inclusion criteria group D:

- 1. Normal birth weight/length adjusted for duration of pregnancy
- 2. Present height above -2 SD for age and within target range (Target Height  $[TH] \pm 1 SD$ )

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Age group

Child

## Lower age limit

4 Years

## Upper age limit

6 Years

#### Sex

**Not Specified** 

## Target number of participants

110

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Known syndromes and serious dysmorphic symptoms suggestive for a syndrome that has not yet been described, except for Silver Russell Syndrome
- 2. Severe asphyxia (defined as Apgar score less than three after 5 minutes), and no serious diseases such as long-term artificial ventilation and oxygen supply, bronchopulmonary dysplasia or other chronic lung disease
- 3. Coeliac disease and other chronic or serious diseases of the gastrointestinal tract, heart, genito-urinary tract, liver, lungs, skeleton or central nervous system, or chronic or recurrent major infectious diseases, nutritional and/or vitamin deficiencies
- 4. Any endocrine or metabolic disorder such as diabetes mellitus, diabetes insipidus, hypothyroidism, or inborn errors of metabolism, except of Growth Hormone Deficiency (GHD)
- 5. Medications or interventions during the previous six months that might have interfered with growth, such as corticosteroids (including high dose of corticosteroid inhalation), sex steroids, growth hormone, or major surgery (particularly of the spine or extremities)
- 6. Use of medication that might interfere with growth during GH therapy, such as corticosteroids, sex steroids, Luteinising Hormone-Releasing Hormone (LHRH) analogue
- 7. Active or treated malignancy or increased risk of leukaemia
- 8. Serious suspicion of psychosocial dwarfism (emotional deprivation)
- 9. Severe neurological disability
- 10. Expected non-compliance
- 11. Prematurity less than 35 weeks
- 12. For Magnetoencephalography (MEG)/Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) investigation: treatment with irremovable metal wires

### Date of first enrolment

01/03/2007

## Date of final enrolment

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

1007 MB

Study participating centre VU Medisch Centrum Amsterdam Netherlands

# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Pfizer B.V. (The Netherlands)

## Sponsor details

P.O. Box 37 Capelle a/d IJssel Netherlands 2900 AA

## Sponsor type

Industry

## Website

http://www.pfizer.nl

### **ROR**

https://ror.org/02bzf1224

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

## **Funder Name**

VU University Medical Centre (VUMC) (The Netherlands)

# **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