

# The Christopher Study: effective management of pulmonary embolism by clinical decision rule (CDR), D-dimer test and helical computed tomography (CT)

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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## Secondary identifying numbers

NTR581

# Study information

## Scientific Title

### Acronym

Christopher Study

### Study objectives

It is safe to withhold anticoagulant treatment in patients with clinically suspected pulmonary embolism (PE) who have either a combination of clinical decision rule (CDR) indicating PE unlikely and normal D-dimer test or CDR indicating PE likely or abnormal D-dimer test and normal helical computed tomography (CT).

### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

### Ethics approval(s)

The institutional review boards of all participating hospitals approved the study protocol.

### Study design

Prospective cohort study

### Primary study design

Observational

### Secondary study design

Cohort study

### Study setting(s)

Hospital

### Study type(s)

Screening

### Participant information sheet

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

Pulmonary embolism (PE)

### Interventions

Diagnosis of PE by CDR, D-dimer and helical CT.

### Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure**

Thromboembolic disease during three months follow-up in all patients.

**Secondary outcome measures**

No secondary outcome measures

**Overall study start date**

01/11/2002

**Completion date**

01/12/2004

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

Adult patients more than 18 years old with clinically suspected pulmonary embolism.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

3306

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Pregnancy
2. Allergy to contrast media
3. No geographic possibility of return for follow-up
4. Treatment with therapeutic heparin for more than 24 hours
5. Indication for thrombolytic therapy

**Date of first enrolment**

01/11/2002

**Date of final enrolment**

01/12/2004

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Netherlands

**Study participating centre**

**Leiden University Medical Centre (LUMC)**

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

Academic Medical Centre (AMC) (The Netherlands)

**Sponsor details**

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Website**

<http://www.amc.uva.nl>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/03t4gr691>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**

Amphia Hospital Breda (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Hospital Hilversum (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

University Hospital Maastricht (AZM) (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Academic Medical Centre (AMC) (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Erasmus Medical Centre (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

University Medical Centre St Radboud (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Meander Medical Centre (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Spaarne Hospital (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Diakonessenhuis Meppel (The Netherlands)

**Funder Name**

Medical Centre Rijnmond, location Zuider Hospital Rijnstate Hospital (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

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	Results	11/01/2006		Yes	No