Neurodevelopmental outcome after neonatal hypoglycaemia: a multi-centre randomised controlled trial comparing intensive treatment versus expectant glucose monitoring in 'high risk' newborns

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Acronym

HYPO-EXIT

Study objectives

Current clinical practice varies widely, especially for infants with 'moderate' hypoglycaemia, due to lack of methodological sound studies. This leads to both over- and under-treatment of hypoglycaemic infants.

This study-protocol is directed at the comparison of two accepted management strategies at both ends of the current treatment-spectrum of moderate hypoglycaemia in 'high risk' newborns: an intensive treatment versus an expectant monitoring strategy.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the local medical ethics committee

Study design

Multicentre, randomised, single-blinded, active controlled, parallel group trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Developmental-disabilities, blood-glucose, hypoglycaemia

Interventions

In the intensive treatment arm the aim is to increase the glucose concentration above 2.5 mmol /l within three hours by increasing the carbohydrate intake by oral nutrition and/or intravenous glucose administration.

In the expectant arm the aim is to maintain the glucose concentration above 2.0 mmol/l by the usual oral nutrition protocol.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Glucose

Primary outcome(s)

Primary outcome is neurodevelopment at 18 months, assessed with the Bayley Scales of Infant Development.

Key secondary outcome(s))

Current secondary outcome measures as of 04/09/2019:

- 1. Costs for medical treatment and hospital admission until 18 months of age:
- 1.1 costs for diagnostic tests and treatment of the infant (glucose measurements, supplemental feeding, tube-feeding, intravenous glucose administration), and hospitalization costs for both the infant and mother
- 1.2 costs for medical consumption related to neurodevelopmental impairment until the age of 18 months (visits to healthcare professionals and hospital admission after the neonatal period)
- 2. Plasma glucose concentrations and carbohydrate intake (breastfeeding, oral or enteral feeding and intravenous glucose)
- 3. Frequency of treatment failure, defined as infants who become severely hypoglycaemic despite the treatment they received (frequency and severity of hypoglycaemia episodes after randomization).

Previous secondary outcome measures:

Secondary outcomes are costs for medical treatment and hospital admission until 18 months of age.

Completion date

01/04/2013

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Current participant inclusion criteria as 04/09/2019:

Infants greater than or equal to 35 weeks gestational age and greater than or equal to 2000 g with one of the four major risk factors for neonatal hypoglycaemia:

- 1. Small-for-Gestational-Age infants (SGA, birth-weight-for-gestational-age less than P10)
- 2. Large-for-Gestational-Age infants (LGA, birth-weight-for-gestational-age greater than P90)
- 3. Near-term infants 35 0/7 to 36 6/7 weeks gestational age with a birth weight greater than 2000 g
- 4. Infants of Diabetic Mothers (IDM)

Birth-weight-for-gestational-age is defined according to the growth charts of the Perinatale Registratie Nederland (PRN).

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Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Neonate

Sex

All

Total final enrolment

689

Key exclusion criteria

Current participant exclusion criteria:

Infants with serious co-morbidity will be excluded, because their co-morbidity can also affect neurodevelopment:

- 1. Very preterm infants (less than 34 6/7 weeks gestational age)
- 2. Severe perinatal asphyxia presence of at least three of the next criteria:
- 2.1. Signs of intrauterine asphyxia, like late decelerations on Cardiotocogram (CTG) or meconium stained amniotic fluid
- 2.2. Arterial umbilical cord pH less than 7.10
- 2.3. Delayed initiation of spontaneous respirations greater than 5 minutes after birth
- 2.4. Five minute Appar score less than 5
- 2.5. Multi-organ failure
- 3. Severe perinatal infection: requiring support of vital functions (infants without clinical signs of infection who are treated with antibiotics because of suspected perinatal infection can be included)
- 4. Respiratory insufficiency requiring respiratory support
- 5. Severe hypotension requiring vasopressor support
- 6. (Strong suspicion of) a syndrome or major congenital malformations

Other exclusion criteria:

- 7. Intravenous alucose administration before randomization
- 8. (Strong suspicion of) inborn error of metabolism
- 9. (Strong suspicion of) hyperinsulinism, except infants of diabetic mothers
- 10. No informed consent

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Date of first enrolment

01/10/2007

Date of final enrolment

01/04/2011

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

Study participating centre Department of Neonatology

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Academic Medical Centre (AMC) (The Netherlands)

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Funder(s)

Funder type

Research organisation

Funder Name

The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) (The Netherlands)

Results and Publications

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?
Results article	results	06/02/2020	06/02/2020	Yes	No
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes