

# Computer Assisted Management of Early Rheumatoid Arthritis-II: Does prednisone inhibit progression of joint damage if early RA is treated very intensively with disease modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs)?

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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## Additional identifiers

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

Computer Assisted Management of Early Rheumatoid Arthritis-II: Does prednisone inhibit progression of joint damage if early RA is treated very intensively with disease modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs)?

**Acronym**

CAMERA-II

**Study objectives**

Prednisone inhibits progression of joint damage in early RA-patients, even when intensive treatment, according to a strict computer-assisted protocol, is applied.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Rheumatoid arthritis (RA)

**Interventions**

10 mg of prednisolone daily versus placebo in addition to DMARDs. Two year study.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Prednisone and DMARDs

**Primary outcome(s)**

Radiologic joint damage of hands and feet according to the van der Heijde modification of the Sharp scoring method.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Number of patients in remission, in which remission is defined as:

1. Number of swollen joints = 0
2. Plus at least two out of three following criteria:

- 2.a. Number of swollen joints <3
- 2.b. Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) <20 mm/1st hour
- 2.c. Visual analogue scale (VAS) of general well being <20 mm

**Completion date**

01/04/2007

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Rheumatoid Arthritis, defined according to the revised American College of Rheumatology (ACR) criteria for Rheumatoid Arthritis
2. A disease duration of less than 1 year, estimated by the rheumatologist
3. Age >18 years
4. No previous treatment with DMARDs or oral glucocorticoids
5. Written informed consent by the patient

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Abnormal renal function (Cockroft <75 ml/min)
2. Abnormal liver function (aspartate aminotransferase [ASAT]/alanine aminotransferase [ALAT] >2 x normal), active or recent hepatitis, cirrhosis
3. Major co-morbidities like malignancies, severe diabetic mellitus, severe infections, severe cardio and/or respiratory diseases
4. Leukopenia and/or thrombocytopenia
5. Inadequate birth control contraception, pregnancy, and/or breastfeeding
6. Treatment with cytotoxic or immunosuppressive drugs within a period of 3 months prior to the study
7. Alcohol intake >2 units per day or drug abuse, presently or in the past
8. Psychiatric or mental disorders which makes adherence to the study protocol impossible
9. Taking part in another clinical trial
10. Osteoporotic vertebral fractures

**Date of first enrolment**

01/04/2003

**Date of final enrolment**

01/04/2007

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Netherlands

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

University Medical Center Utrecht

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/0575yy874>

**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Industry

**Funder Name**

University Medical Center Utrecht

**Funder Name**

Abbott Laboratories

**Alternative Name(s)**

Abbott, Abbott U.S., Abbott Alkaloidal Company

**Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

For-profit companies (industry)

**Location**

United States of America

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	06/03/2012		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2013		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	09/09/2020	11/09/2020	Yes	No