

# 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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# Study information

## Scientific Title

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

## 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

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study design

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

## 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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#### 4. Infants of Diabetic Mothers (IDM)

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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 Apgar 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 glucose 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

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

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

## **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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	06/02/2020	06/02/2020	Yes	No
<a href="#">Study website</a>	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes