Newsletter

Dear colleagues,

We are excited to introduce to you our first edition of the Carotid Aneurysm Registry (CAR) newsletter. We have sent you this newsletter because of your previous interest and/or collaboration with us. We hope you find great value in its content and that you would keep contributing in the research of this rare disease. Our mission is to collect data on patients with an extracranial carotid artery aneurysms (ECAA) prospectively. ECAA treated conservatively and by revascularization can be included in the registry. In the future, this data will be used for publication and we intent to acknowledge all the names of the national and international contributors. Before submission of a manuscript, every contributing (principal) investigator will receive a draft of the manuscript. If you wish to be a part of this project, please contact us or visit our website for more information.

History & Current data

Our web based registry was launched in June 2014 and we have been prospectively collecting data on ECAA patients ever since. Also patients who have been diagnosed or treated before 2014 have been included in the registry for retrospective analysis. Since
the launch of the website we have seen an increase of inclusions (Graph 1). Currently we have included 165 patients! This includes patients who have been included retrospectively (before 2014).

![Graph 1. Overview of patients included prospectively per year](image)

**Contributers**

The contributing countries are:

1. The Netherlands (n=109)
2. Sweden (n=50)
3. The United Kingdom (n=1)
4. Serbia (n=1)
5. The United Stated (n=1)
6. France (n=1)
7. Macedonia (n=1)
8. The Democratic Republic of Congo (n=1)

*Pending on registration from: Finland, Switzerland, Italy, Portugal and Hong Kong*

In order to collect as many data as possible on the natural history and best treatment for ECAA we would like to emphasize that **ANY** patient with an ECAA **treated or not treated** can be included in the registry for prospective or retrospective data analysis. A special thank you to all our national and international contributors!

**Please contribute! Visit www.carotidaneurysmregistry.com for more information**

**Recently published articles**

- V.E.C. Pourier, Which Carotid artery should be treated (and how)? *J Cardiovasc Surg* (2016)