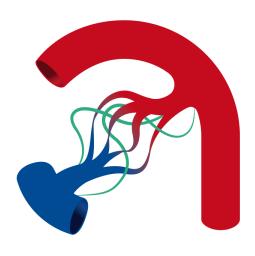


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# Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS)

Final Approved Patient Pathway by the MSA Working Group - 28/09/2018

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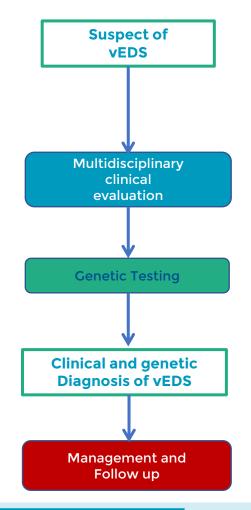
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## ERN General Pathway for Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS) (v1 - 28/09/2018)

Family history:
COL3A1 mutation in
relative
Aortic dissection - <40
Arterial dissection - <40
Young onset death
Spontaneous Bowel
rupture
3rd trimester uterine
rupture



Personal history:
Aortic dissection
Arterial dissection
Spontaneous bowel rupture
Carotid-Cavernous Sinus Fistula
(CCSF)

Cardiovascular imaging ECHO / MRA
Clinical examination
Genetic counselling

COL3A1 NGS panel testing





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### Patient Pathway for Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS) (v1 - 28/09/2018)

#### **Red Flags**

A combination of features below may raise suspicion

Family history of vEDS with confirmed COL3A1 mutation

Arterial dissection/rupture at young age (<40yrs)

Spontaneous bowel Perforation (with no known risk factors)

3rd trimester uterine rupture (with no known risk factors)

CCSF in absence of trauma

Bruising in unusual sites with undefined trauma

Characteristic facial Appearance or acrogeria

Spontaneous pneumothorax

Other features such as club foot. thin skin, keratoconus, gingival fragility

Early onset varicose veins <30yrs

LEGEND: Clinical evaluation

Investigations

Treatment

Suspect

**VEDS** 

**Multidisciplinary clinical evaluation** 

Cardiac and arterial imaging

Clinical examination and assessment

Family history

Molecular testing

Management and follow-up

Surveillance and Follow Up\*

Access to teams required include:

- 1. Cardiology
- 2. Vascular and endovascular surgery
- 3. Bowel surgery
- 4. Neurovascular surgery
- 5. Thoracic surgery
- 6. Obstetrics and fetal medicine
- 7. Vascular imaging
- 8. Psychosocial input

Proband/Relative NEW PATIENT

\*In accordance with clinical need and geographical location. Should include

Confirm

**VEDS** 

with

mutation

in COL3A1

- 1) Ongoing access to services on demand
- 2) Ongoing support of local medical teams
- 3) Individual follow up as required for new clinical indications such as pregnancy, new symptoms assessment...



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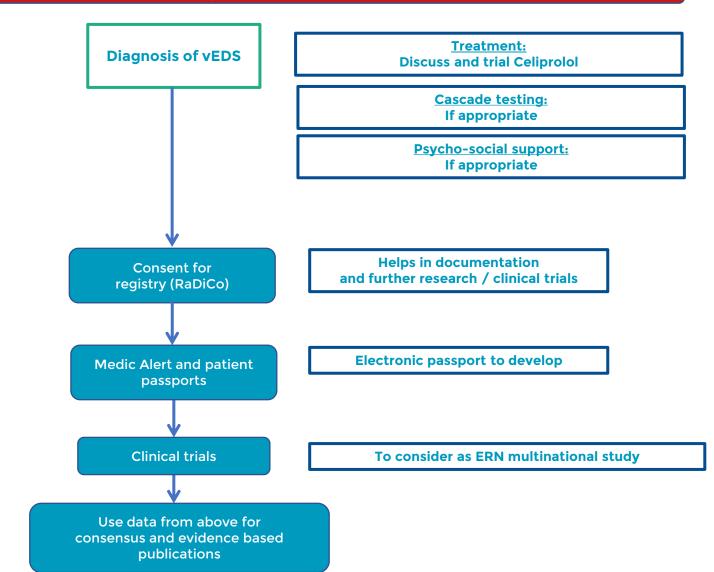
Patient Presents at:	Red Flags A combination of features below may raise suspicion	Suspect vEDS	Multidisciplinary Clinical Evaluation at ERN designated HCP or Centre of expertise	Confirm vEDS with COL3A1 mutation	*Surveillance and Follow-up
GP Emergency services	Family history of vEDS with confirmed COL3A1 mutation		Cardiac and arterial imaging		Routinely led by cardiology in liaison with multidisciplinary teams  Access to teams required include:  Cardiology Vascular and endovascular surgery Bowel surgery Neurovascular surgery Thoracic surgery Obstetrics and fetal medicine Vascular imaging Psychosocial input Clinical genetics
Surgical team	Arterial dissection/rupture at young age (<40 yrs)				
Vascular team Cardio-thoracic Team Genetics team  For probands and relatives New Patient	Spontaneous bowel Perforation (with no known risk factors)		Clinical examination and assessment		
	3rd trimester uterine rupture (with no known risk factors)				
	CCSF in absence of trauma		Molecular Testing Family history		
	Bruising in unusual sites with undefined trauma				
	Characteristic facial appearance or acrogeria				
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