

# Development and randomised controlled trial of dipsticks and diagnostic algorithms for the management of urinary tract infection

**Submission date**

25/04/2003

**Recruitment status**

No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☐ Protocol

**Registration date**

25/04/2003

**Overall study status**

Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☒ Results

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**Condition category**

Urological and Genital Diseases

☐ Individual participant data

**Plain English summary of protocol**

Not provided at time of registration

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## Secondary identifying numbers

HTA 97/14/06

# Study information

## Scientific Title

### Study objectives

1. To develop and test the use of different algorithms/symptom scores in the diagnosis of urinary tract infection (UTI)
2. To develop and test the use of different dipstick strategies in the diagnosis of UTI
3. To assess the cost effectiveness of common management strategies in the diagnosis and treatment of UTI
4. To assess the effect of the different strategies on patient satisfaction, beliefs and behaviour

Two phases:

1. Dipstick and score validation
2. Block randomised open trial of management strategies

More details can be found at: <http://www.hta.ac.uk/1205>

Protocol can be found at: <http://www.hta.ac.uk/protocols/199700140006.pdf>

### 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

### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Not specified

### Study type(s)

Treatment

### Participant information sheet

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

Urinary tract infection

### Interventions

Phase 1. Different symptom scores (naive Bayesian, adjusted Bayesian, symptom counts) and combinations of dipstick results will be developed to predict 'standard' monosodium urate (MSU) diagnosis in half the subjects (randomly chosen). The optimal strategies will be determined - from sensitivity, specificity, predictive values, likelihood ratios, and workload implications from the R.O. curves and tested with previous scores in the other half of the data. Phase 2. This will be preceded by a development phase to determine the feasibility of trial procedures and exact strategy for each group derived from the results of phase 1. Patients will be block randomised to five groups:

1. Empiric antibiotic treatment (3 day course of trimethoprim)
2. Treatment based on algorithm/score (from phase 1)
3. Treatment based on dipstick (based on phase 1)
4. Treatment based on positive MSU examination and culture
5. Control group (symptomatic treatment based on alkalinization of urine and other symptomatic measures)

### **Intervention Type**

Other

### **Phase**

Not Specified

### **Primary outcome measure**

1. Symptom diary
2. Satisfaction
3. Belief in antibiotics
4. Notes review for
  - 4.1. reattendance
  - 4.2. complications
  - 4.3. referral
5. Costs
  - 5.1. manual timing for GP and other staff costs
  - 5.2. marginal costs in processing the MSUs

### **Secondary outcome measures**

Not provided at time of registration

### **Overall study start date**

10/09/2001

### **Completion date**

09/09/2006

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

Subjects presenting with suspected urinary tract infections (UTI)

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Female

**Target number of participants**

309 (added 09/02/10; see publication)

**Key exclusion criteria**

Pregnant women and women over the age of 75

**Date of first enrolment**

10/09/2001

**Date of final enrolment**

09/09/2006

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

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<https://ror.org/03sbpja79>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

NIHR Health Technology Assessment Programme - HTA (UK)

## Results and Publications

**Publication and dissemination plan**

Not provided at time of registration

**Intention to publish date****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	01/08/2006		Yes	No
<a href="#">Other publications</a>	cost effectiveness analysis	05/02/2010		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	05/02/2010		Yes	No