Study to determine the pharmacokinetic profile, safety and tolerability of Sildenafil in cardiac surgery

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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Acute kidney injury (AKI) occurs in up to one third of all patients after heart surgery. It causes rapid loss of kidney function, increases complications and risk of death after surgery. Our understanding of the underlying processes is poor and recent research have concluded that there is no effective treatment. Injecting the drug Sildenafil through the vein, prevents AKI in our research with animal model. This means that Sildenafil is suitable for further development as a potential prevention for AKI that occurs after heart surgery. We intend to first establish a dose of Sildenafil that is tolerated by the patients and compare that to our previous research with the animal model. We therefore propose to find out how safe is Sildenafil and how well it is tolerated by patients undergoing heart surgery.

Who can participate?

Adult patients, who are undergoing heart surgery, who have high risk of developing AKI after surgery, can participate in this study.

What does the study involve?

During hospital stay:

Patients, before their heart operation, will be allocated into one of six different groups, depending on how many patients have already entered the study before them. Patients will be told which group you have been allocated to, after their operation. A single dose of Sildenafil will be given at the start of the operation. The dose given will be based on the group to which patients have been allocated. The maximum dosage being given in this study is 12.5 mg, which represents a small increase over the normal dose of Sildenafil given for the treatment of pulmonary hypertension (increased blood pressure in the blood vessels of the lungs). Apart from the dose of the drug, everything else about the operation, and medical care after the operation, will happen in the usual way, whichever group patients are assigned to. Patients taking part will also be asked to give blood and urine samples. These samples will be tested to the levels of Sildenafil over time to determine how fast the drug is removed from the body. The samples will also be tested for several chemicals that will give us an idea of how well different organs, e.g. the brain, heart and kidneys, work during and after heart surgery.

After hospital stay:

Patients will be asked to complete a short questionnaire about their general health, during their routine hospital follow-up visit, about six weeks after the operation. If participants are unable to attend this visit, we would contact them by telephone to obtain this information about their health.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

Benefits: It is possible that giving Sildenafil may protect the kidneys during the operation. The information that we get from this research may help us to better understand how Sildenafil works and therefore improve treatments for patients having heart surgery in the future. Risks: There is a risk that patients receiving lower dosage may still experience higher rate of kidney complications, but this risk is no different to that currently experienced by the patients undergoing heart surgery on a day-to-day basis. Conversely, it is possible that patients receiving higher dosage are at greater risks of side effects from the drug. The most common side effects in adults (seen in more than 1 in 10 patients) are low blood pressure, headache, flushing (reddening of the skin), heartburn, diarrhoea and limb (arm or leg) pain. It is possible that other unknown side effects may be experienced when taking Sildenafil. Sildenafil must not be taken by patients with severe liver problems, very low blood pressure, or certain rare inherited eye diseases because Sildenafil has not been studied in these patient groups. Patients are advised to tell the study doctor if they have one of these illnesses or if they have a history of loss of vision in one or eyes.

Where is the study run from?

The research is being organised and run by the Cardiac Surgery Trials support team at Glenfield Hospital, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust, UK.

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? The study is starting in July 2013 and will last for approximately 12 months.

Who is funding the study? The research is funded by the British Heart Foundation, UK.

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Secondary identifying numbers

14246

Study information

Scientific Title

A phase I study to determine the pharmacokinetic profile, safety and tolerability of Sildenafil (REVATIO®) in cardiac surgery

Acronym

REVAKI-001, REVAKI-1

Study objectives

The aim of this study is to evaluate the pharmacokinetic profile, safety and tolerability of sildenafil an its effect on postoperative kidney function in patients undergoing cardiac surgery who are at increased risk of developing acute kidney injury, in an open label, dose escalation study.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

19/03/2013, ref: 13/SC/0131

Study design

Non-randomised; Interventional; Design type: Not specified, Prevention

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Non randomised study

Study setting(s)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Prevention

Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Topic: Cardiovascular, Renal and Urogenital; Subtopic: Cardiovascular (all Subtopics), Renal and Urogenital (all Subtopics); Disease: Renal, Cardiac Surgery

Interventions

Administration of REVATIO, Patients will be screened by the investigators to assess eligibility for entry into the study. Eligible patients undergoing cardiac surgery with CPB who consent to participate will be consecutively allocated, in a 6:6:6:6:6:6 sequence to:

- 1. Treatment group 1: Sildenafil 2.5 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes (3.125 mL)
- 2. Treatment group 2: Sildenafil 2.5 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes + Sildenafil 2.5 mg as a 2hrs continuous infusion (6.250 mL)
- 3. Treatment group 3: Sildenafil 5.0 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes
- 4. Treatment group 4: Sildenafil 5.0 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes + Sildenafil 2.5 mg as a 2hrs continuous infusion (6.250 mL)
- 5. Treatment group 5: Sildenafil 10.0 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes
- 6. Treatment group 6: Sildenafil 10.0 mg bolus IV over 10 minutes + Sildenafil 2.5 mg as a 2hrs continuous infusion (6.250 mL)

Follow Up Length: 2 month(s); Study Entry: Registration only

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Phase I

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Sildenafil (REVATIO®)

Primary outcome measure

Plasma levels of Sildenafil; Timepoint(s): Blood samples for pharmacokinetic analysis at the time points outlined below:

- 1. Prior to the start of the bolus infusion (0 min)
- 2. End of bolus Sildenafil infusion (10 min)
- 3.15 minutes, 30 minutes and 45 minutes post bolus infusion (25 min, 40 min and 55 min)
- 4. 2hrs post bolus infusion or end of cardiopulmonary bypass, whichever is the latest (2 hrs 10 min)
- 5. Return to CICU (4 hrs 10 min)
- 6. 6 hrs post bolus infusion (6 hrs 10 min)
- 7. 12 hrs post infusion (12 hrs 10 min)
- 8. Day 1 (24 hrs post infusion)
- 9. Day 2 (48 hrs post-infusion)

Secondary outcome measures

Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date

Completion date

09/04/2014

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Adult cardiac surgery patients (>18 years and <80 years) undergoing cardiac surgery with moderately hypothermic CPB (32-34° C) and blood cardioplegia.
- 2. Identified as representing a high risk group for acute kidney injury using a modified risk score.
- 3. Female subjects of childbearing potential are not to be pregnant (to be confirmed by urine human chorionic gonadotropin pregnancy test). Women are considered not to be of childbearing potential if they have been surgically sterilised (eg, tubal ligation, oophorectomy or hysterectomy) or are postmenopausal (defined as serum follicle-stimulating hormone level of =30 IU/mL) in the absence of hormone replacement therapy and complete absence of menses for at least 24 consecutive months.

Target Gender: Male & Female; Upper Age Limit 80 years; Lower Age Limit 18 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

Planned Sample Size: 36; UK Sample Size: 36

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Emergency or salvage procedure
- 2. Eiection fraction <30%
- 3. CKD Stage 5, defined as eGFR<15ml/min or renal replacement therapy
- 4. Administration of potent CYP 3A4 inhibitors within 1 month prior to study participation.
- 5. Administration of nitrate medicines (e.g. glyceryl trinitrate within 24 hours of surgery.
- 6. Any ongoing malignancy, or prior malignancy that currently requires treatment.
- 7. Patients allergic to any other PDE-5 Inhibitor.
- 8. Patients who are participating in another interventional clinical study."

Date of first enrolment

Date of final enrolment 09/04/2014

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre Glenfield Hospital

Groby Road Leicester United Kingdom LE3 9QP

Sponsor information

Organisation

University of Leicester (UK)

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Sponsor type

University/education

ROR

https://ror.org/04h699437

Funder(s)

Funder type

Charity

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Alternative Name(s)

the_bhf, The British Heart Foundation, BHF

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

Location

United Kingdom

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?
Results article	results	01/04/2017		Yes	No
HRA research summary			28/06/2023	No	No