# Mefloquine and artesunate against schistosomiasis

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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# Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers N/A

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

Mefloquine, artesunate and mefloquine-artesunate in the treatment of Schistosoma mansoni and Schistosoma haematobium infections in Côte divoire

#### Acronym

MQAS-Schisto

#### **Study objectives**

Mefloquine and artesunate, administered singly or in combination, show efficacy against Schistosoma mansoni and Schistosoma haematobium in school-aged children in Africa.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

1. Ethikkomission beider Basel EKBB (Switzerland) on the 7th April 2008 (ref: 70/08) 2. Ministère de la Santé d'Higiéne et Publique (Cote d'Ivoire) on the 20th June 2008 (ref: 2868 /MSHP)

**Study design** Open-label randomised trial

**Primary study design** Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

#### Study setting(s)

Not specified

## Study type(s)

Treatment

#### 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

Schistosomiasis (Schistosoma mansoni; Schistosoma haematobium)

#### Interventions

- 1. Mefloquine (1 x 25 mg/kg)
- 2. Artesunate (10 mg/kg in three divided doses within 1 day)
- 3. Mefloquine-artesunate combination (300/750 mg in three divided doses within 3 days)
- 4. Praziquantel (1 x 40 mg/kg)

The duration of treatment is, depending on the drug, 1 - 3 days; duration of follow-up is 3 - 5 days.

#### Intervention Type

Drug

Phase Not Specified

#### Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Mefloquine, artesunate, praziquantel

#### Primary outcome measure

Cure rate and egg reduction rate, measured 21 - 28 days post-treatment by multiple stool sampling using the Kato-Katz method (study 1) and multiple urine sampling using standard urine filtration method (study 2).

#### Secondary outcome measures

Patients will be monitored for three hours post-treatment and once daily for 5 days. Details of adverse events will be recorded by the study physician during the trial including variables describing their incidence, onset, cessation, duration, intensity, frequency, seriousness and causality.

#### Overall study start date

30/10/2008

**Completion date** 

20/10/2009

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

1. Schoolchild (aged 8 - 16 years, either sex) infected with S. mansoni (study 1) or S.

haematobium (study 2), as assessed by the presence of egg(s) in the stool (S. mansoni) or urine (S. haematobium)

2. Weight of schoolchild greater than 25 kg

3. Able and willing to be examined by a physician at the beginning of the study and at the end of study (3 weeks post-treatment)

4. Able and willing to provide multiple stool or urine samples at the beginning and end of study5. Absence of major systemic illnesses, as assessed by the medical doctor, upon initial clinical assessment

6. Absence of psychiatric disorders and epilepsy

7. No known or reported hypersensitivity to mefloquine and/or artesunate

8. No known or reported history of chronical illness as cancer, diabetes, chronic heart, liver or renal disease

9. Signed written informed consent sheet by parents/legual guardians and child 10. For females aged 12 years and above, not pregnant in the first trimester, as assessed by a female nurse (interview and pregnancy test if need be), upon initial clinical assessment

## Participant type(s)

Patient

#### **Age group** Child

**Lower age limit** 8 Years

## Upper age limit

16 Years

**Sex** Both

## Target number of participants

Total: 120 (study 1: 60; study 2: 60)

#### Key exclusion criteria

1. Schoolchild who has clinical malaria (i.e. axillary temperature greater than or equal to 37.5°C and parasitaemia, as assessed by thick and thin blood film examination)

- 2. Pregnancy first trimester
- 3. Presence of any abnormal medical condition, judged by the study physician
- 4. History of acute or severe chronic disease, including hepato-splenic schistosomiasis, macrohaematuria and bloody stools

5. Psychiatric disorders and epilepsy

6. Use of artesunate, artemether, any artemisinin-based combination therapy, mefloquine or praziquantel within the past 7 days

7. Attending other clinical trials during the study

#### Date of first enrolment

30/10/2008

Date of final enrolment 20/10/2009

# Locations

#### **Countries of recruitment** Côte d'Ivoire

Switzerland

## Study participating centre

**Department of Medical Parasitology and Infection Biology** Basel Switzerland 4002

## Sponsor information

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**Sponsor type** Research organisation

Website http://sti.ch

ROR https://ror.org/03adhka07

# Funder(s)

Funder type Industry

**Funder Name** Mepha Pharma AG (Switzerland)

# **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?
<u>Results article</u>	results	01/05/2010		Yes	No