# On demand versus continuous use of omeprazole on reflux symptoms (3)

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Gastro-oesophageal reflux disease (GORD) refers to a range of disorders mainly caused by the backward flow of acid from the stomach into the oesophagus (gullet). Heartburn and acid regurgitation (a bitter burning taste at the back of the mouth) are the most typical symptoms of GORD. GORD is a chronic disease (prevalence 10-20 % in Europe) that has a detrimental effect on a person's quality of life (QoL). It is mainly treated in primary care (for example, the GP surgery) with a proton pump inhibitor (PPI) once or twice a day, or on demand. There is conflicting data on which of these two treatment regimens is better and this lack of knowledge is likely to be related to the difficulties of performing large studies in primary care. In addition, patient reported outcomes such as symptom frequency and severity, QoL and self-rated health are important but are rarely used in primary care today. This study has been developed to answer the question "what gives most symptom relief and improvement in quality of life in patients with GORD, on demand or continuous use of proton pump inhibitors?"

#### Who can participate?

Adults aged between 18-65 years, diagnosed with GORD that responds to PPI treatment.

## What does the study involve?

Participants are randomly allocated into one of two groups. Those in group 1 are treated with regular use of proton pump inhibitors. Those in group 2 are treated with on demand use of proton pump inhibitors. In this pilot study, the TRANSFoRm\* tool is tested in 5 countries with 8 primary care practices each, including 20 patients per practice. The progress of each patient is followed for 8 weeks.

\* TRANSFoRm is a project to develop tools to help in the running of clinical trials in primary care, including the collection of both care reported outcomes and patient reported outcomes. It also aims to develop a suite of software tools and underlying infrastructure to support primary and epidemiological research

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating? Not provided at time of registration Where is the study run from? Karolinska Institute (Sweden)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? March 2015 to May 2015

Who is funding the study?
The European Commission (Belgium)

Who is the main contact? Ms Ellen Wright

# Contact information

#### Type(s)

Public

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**EudraCT/CTIS number** 2014-001314-25

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

**Secondary identifying numbers** 18049

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

The effect of on demand versus continuous use of proton pump inhibitors on reflux symptoms, quality of life and self-rated health in patients with gastro-oesophageal reflux disease

#### **Study objectives**

The aim of this study is to determine what gives most symptom relief and improvement in quality of life in patients with gastro-oesophageal reflux disease (GORD): on demand or continuous use of proton pump inhibitors

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

14/WM/1196

#### Study design

Randomised; Interventional and Observational; Design type: Treatment, Qualitative

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

#### Study setting(s)

Hospital

#### Study type(s)

Treatment

#### Participant information sheet

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

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

Topic: Primary Care; Subtopic: Primary care; Disease: All Diseases

#### **Interventions**

Drug treatment

Regular versus on demand dosing of omeprazole for control control of reflux symptoms.

#### **Intervention Type**

Drug

#### Primary outcome measure

Reflux symptoms; Timepoint(s): At recruitment and at 8 weeks follow up

#### Secondary outcome measures

N/A

#### Overall study start date

14/03/2015

#### Completion date

31/05/2015

# **Eligibility**

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Age 18-65 years
- 2. Predominant GORD cases with heartburn and/or acid regurgitation that need PPI treatment
- 3. PPI responsive
- 4. Ability to complete questionnaires

#### Participant type(s)

Patient

#### Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 Years

#### Upper age limit

65 Years

#### Sex

**Both** 

#### Target number of participants

Planned Sample Size: 700; UK Sample Size: 140

#### Total final enrolment

488

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Known Barrett's oesophagus
- 2. Known severe oesophagitis (LA C or above)
- 3. Continuous use of NSAID/aspirin
- 4. Prophylactic PPI use to reduce the risk of ulcers in persons being treated with NSAIDs
- 5. PPI treatment to heal an ulcer induced by NSAID treatment in the last 6 months
- 6. PPI treatment for H. pylori eradication in the last 6 months
- 7. Severe disorders other than GORD with a negative impact on quality of life
- 8. Signs of upper gastrointestinal bleeding
- 9. Alarm symptoms: unintentional weight loss/vomiting/difficulties swallowing
- 10. Pregnancy

#### Date of first enrolment

14/03/2015

#### Date of final enrolment

31/05/2015

# Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

#### England

#### **United Kingdom**

### Study participating centre King's College Hospital

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Karolinska Institute

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#### Sponsor type

University/education

#### Website

http://ki.se

#### ROR

https://ror.org/056d84691

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Government

#### **Funder Name**

**European Commission** 

#### Alternative Name(s)

European Union, Comisión Europea, Europäische Kommission, EU-Kommissionen, Euroopa Komisjoni, Ευρωπαϊκής Επιτροπής, Εвροπεйската комисия, Evropské komise, Commission européenne, Choimisiúin Eorpaigh, Europskoj komisiji, Commissione europea, La Commissione europea, Eiropas Komisiju, Europos Komisijos, Európai Bizottságról, Europese Commissie, Komisja Europejska, Comissão Europeia, Comisia Europeană, Európskej komisii, Evropski komisiji, Euroopan komission, Europeiska kommissionen, EC, EU

#### Funding Body Type

Government organisation

#### **Funding Body Subtype**

National government

Location

# **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?
Abstract results	results presented at the American Gastroenterological association (AGA) conference	01/05 /2019	06/10 /2020	No	No
HRA research summary			28/06 /2023	No	No