A randomized double blind placebo controlled study to evaluate the modulation of cognitive functions in Parkinson's subjects by sildenafil

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Registration date 26/09/2005	Overall study status Completed	 Statistical analysis plan Results
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Acronym

SCOPE

Study objectives

That 48 weeks of sildenafil therapy will stabilize or slow down the progression of cognitive impairment in Parkinson's disease subjects with mild cognitive impairment when compared with untreated Parkinson's disease controls. The study will also assess the effects of sildenafil upon motor state and olfaction in Parkinson's disease since these parameters may also be improved by sildenafil.

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 Parkinson's disease (PD)

Interventions

Sildenafil dosing in the treatment group will start at 50 mg once daily for 4 weeks. Dosing is then increased to 100 mg daily for a further 44 weeks. The control group will receive matching placebo teatment for 48 weeks.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Sildenafil

Primary outcome measure

 To test if 48 weeks of sildenafil therapy will result in improved cognitive functions in Parkinson's disease subjects as measured by the paired association learning (PAL) test
 To test if 48 weeks of sildenafil therapy will result in improved olfaction in Parkinson's disease subjects as measured by the UPSIT test

Secondary outcome measures

To test if 48 weeks of sildenafil therapy will result in improved motor and cognitive function in Parkinson's disease subjects as measured by the Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale (UPDRS), Dyskinesia Rating Scale, Spatial Working Memory Test and Reaction Time Test.

Overall study start date

14/12/2004

Completion date

30/09/2006

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

1. Male or female subjects (excluding women of child bearing potential) between the ages of 50 and 80 years, inclusive

2. Diagnosis of Parkinson's disease according to UK Parkinson's Disease Society Brain Bank Criteria

3. Diagnosis of Parkinson's disease >12 months

4. Mild cognitive impairment insufficient to fulfill Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM-IV) criteria for dementia, with MMSE score 18-27

5. University of Pennsylvania Smell Identification Test (UPSIT) test score of <30

6. Subjects must be willing and able to provide written informed consent

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group Adult

Lower age limit 50 Years

Upper age limit 80 Years **Sex** Both

Target number of participants

100 subjects, 50 randomised to both sildenafil and placebo group

Key exclusion criteria

1. Subjects with evidence of severe or unstable concomitant medical illness

2. Known hypersensitivity to, or current use of sildenafil, or other PDE5 inhibitors

3. Clinically significant orthostatic hypotension (defined as disabling postural light-headedness or syncopal episodes associated with a fall in systolic blood pressure on standing of over 30 mmHg)

4. Patient taking anti-psychotic or cholinesterase inhibitor medication

5. Patient taking dopamine agonists

6. Major depressive disorder

7. Anosmia secondary to head injury/non-PD related cause

8. Exclusion of patients with Multiple Systems Atrophy

9. Exclusion of patients with colour-blindness

10. Subjects who were prescribed and/or are taking nitrates or nitric oxide donors in any form (oral, sub-lingual, tansdermal, inhalation,aerosols), alpha blockers and/or class IA or III antiarrhythmic medication

11. Use of medication known or suspected to be potent or moderate inhibitors of cytochrome P4503A4 (excluding ketoconazole, itraconazole, cimetidine, ritonavir)

12. Subjects with congenital QT prolongation

13. Electrocardiogram (ECG) evidence of severe life-threatening rhythm or ischaemic

disturbances including acute myocardial infarction (within last year), left bundle branch block, or ventricular tachycardia

14. QTcF prolongation >500 msecs

15. Sustained hypertension >170 mmHg systolic or >110 mmHg diastolic; sustained hypotension <90 mmHg systolic or <50 mmHg diastolic

16. History of regular alcohol abuse within 6 months of screening

17. Treatment with investigational drug within 30 days or 5 half-lives (whichever is longer) preceding the first dose of study medication

Date of first enrolment 14/12/2004

Date of final enrolment 30/09/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation Pfizer Inc. (USA)

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Sponsor type Industry

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Results and Publications

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Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

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