

# Clinical Outcomes Utilising Revascularisation and Aggressive Drug Evaluation

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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NCT00007657

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PCT-15191

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Acronym

COURAGE

## Study objectives

### Primary Hypothesis:

The strategy of Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI) plus intensive medical therapy will be superior to intensive medical therapy alone in reducing all cause mortality, non-fatal Myocardial Infarction (MI) or biomarker positive (troponin) acute coronary syndrome patients with documented myocardial ischaemia who meet an American Heart Association (AHA) task force Class I indication for PCI.

### Secondary Hypothesis:

Resource utilisation and Quality Of Life (QOL) comparisons and hospitalisation for unstable angina will be superior in PCI plus medical therapy compared to medical therapy alone.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the Research Ethics Board of McMaster University on the 8th September 1999.

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

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

Myocardial Ischaemia

## Interventions

Both groups: Intensive medical therapy

Experimental group: Percutaneous coronary intervention beside the intensive medical therapy

Trial details received: 12 September 2005

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Specified

## **Primary outcome measure**

Composite of all causes mortality, non-fatal MI and hospitalised acute coronary syndrome with biomarkers (troponin) positively.

## **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Quality of life, assessed at regular intervals during the trial
2. Resource utilisation: Comprehensive information on health care used by COURAGE participants, including the direct in-hospital cost of PCI, other healthcare costs, and indirect costs incurred by patients
3. Hospitalisation for unstable angina with negative biomarkers

## **Overall study start date**

01/06/1999

## **Completion date**

30/06/2006

# **Eligibility**

## **Key inclusion criteria**

Patients (greater than or equal to 18 years old, either sex) eligible for inclusion in COURAGE will comprise all but very high-risk subjects, and will include those with chronic angina pectoris (Canadian Cardiovascular Society [CCS] Class I - III), uncomplicated MI, and asymptomatic (or 'silent') myocardial ischaemia. Patients may have single - or multi-vessel coronary artery disease and may have had prior bypass graft surgery. It is important to emphasize that as many types of Coronary Heart Disease (CHD) patients as possible - reflecting the spectrum of patients encountered in contemporary clinical practice - will be enrolled in COURAGE.

## **Participant type(s)**

Patient

## **Age group**

Adult

## **Lower age limit**

18 Years

## **Sex**

Both

## **Target number of participants**

2546

## **Key exclusion criteria**

1. Unstable angina and symptoms refractory to maximal oral and intravenous medical therapy (persistent CCS Class IV)
2. Post-MI course complicated by persistent rest angina, shock, and persistent CHF for which the need or likelihood of urgent myocardial revascularisation is high
3. Coronary angiographic exclusions:
  - 3.1. Patients with no prior Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG) and left main coronary disease greater than 50%
  - 3.2. Coronary arteries technically unsuitable or hazardous for PCI
  - 3.3. Patients with non-significant coronary artery disease in whom PCI would not be considered appropriate or indicated
  - 3.4. Ejection fraction less than 30%, except less than 35% if patients has three-vessel disease including greater than 70% Left Anterior Descending (LAD) proximal stenosis
  - 3.5. Cardiogenic shock
  - 3.6. Pulmonary edema or CHF unresponsive to standard medical therapy
  - 3.7. CABG or PCI within the last 6 months
  - 3.8. Concomitant valvular heart disease likely to require surgery or affect prognosis during follow-up
  - 3.9. Congenital or primary cardiac muscle disease likely to affect prognosis during follow-up
  - 3.10. Resuscitated out-of-hospital sudden death or symptomatic sustained or non-sustained ventricular tachycardia
  - 3.11. Significant systemic hypertension (Blood Pressure [BP] greater than 200/100 mmHg) unresponsive to medical therapy

## **Date of first enrolment**

01/06/1999

## **Date of final enrolment**

30/06/2006

## **Locations**

### **Countries of recruitment**

Canada

United States of America

### **Study participating centre**

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Not defined

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**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Industry

**Funder Name**

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) (Canada) - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca> (ref: PCT-15191)

**Funder Name**

Cooperative Studies Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Research and Development (USA)

**Funder Name**

Merck and Co. Inc. (USA)

**Funder Name**

Pfizer Pharmaceuticals (USA)

**Funder Name**

Bristol-Meyers Squibb Medical Imaging (USA)

**Funder Name**

Fujisawa Pharmaceuticals (UK)

**Funder Name**

Kos Pharmaceuticals (USA)

**Funder Name**

Datascope (USA)

**Funder Name**

AstraZeneca (USA)

**Alternative Name(s)**

AstraZeneca PLC, Pearl Therapeutics

**Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

For-profit companies (industry)

**Location**

United Kingdom

**Funder Name**

Key Pharmaceuticals (Australia)

**Funder Name**

Sanofi-Aventis (USA)

**Funder Name**

First Horizon (USA)

**Funder Name**

Nycomed Amersham (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="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	15/01/2007		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	29/09/2009		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	30/03/2010		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/02/2014		Yes	No