Effectiveness and safety of nebulized budesonide in controlling acute wheezing in under three-year-olds who are unresponsive to fenoterol

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
01/12/2007	No longer recruiting	Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
14/01/2008	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	[] Individual participant data
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Study objectives

This study aims to compare the efficacy and speed of response to treatment with nebulized budesonide and prednisone on acute wheezing in children under three years.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Approved by the research ethics committee of the ABC School of Medicine on 5 July 2003 (ref: 042/2003)

Study design

Prospective, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study.

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Wheezing in children

Interventions

Budesonide group (30 participants): Nebulized Budesonide + Placebo (oral) + Fenoterol

Nebulized budesonide (Pulmicort®), 500 µg/dose four times on admission and on the first day. On the second and third day, 500 µg/dose three times per day. On the fourth and fifth day, 500 µg/dose twice per day. Finally, on the sixth and seventh day, 250 µg/dose twice per day. Also, this group took placebo (oral) at the same time and dose as the prednisone group. Nebulized fenoterol, 0.15 mg/kg/dose eight times per day on admission and on the first day. On the second and third day, 0.15 mg/kg/dose six times per day. On the fourth and fifth day, 0.10 mg/kg/dose six times per day. Finally, on the sixth and seventh day, 0.10 mg/kg/dose four times per day.

Prednisone roup (30 participants):
Prednisone + Placebo (inhalation) + Fenoterol

Prednisone (Meticorten®), 2 mg/kg/dose once per day on admission, first, second and third day. On the fourth and fifth day, 1.5 mg/kg/dose once per day. Finally, on the sixth and seventh day, 1.0 mg/kg/dose once per day. Nebulized placebo was taken at the same dose and time as the budesonide group. Fenoterol was taken at the same dose and time as written above for the budesonide group.

Control group (15 participants):
Placebo inhalation + Placebo oral + Fenoterol

Placebo inhalation administered at the same time and dose as the budesonide group. Placebo (oral) administered at the same time and dose as the prednisone group and fenoterol was taken at the same dose and time as both budesonide and prednisone groups.

If the clinical situation deteriorated and reached Clinical score >5, two inhalations of fenoterol were given (0.15 mg/Kg/dose, interval 20 min). If the Clinical score did not change, randomization was interrupted and 500 µg of known budesonide was given. If in the following hour the Clinical score reduced and transcutaneous oxygen saturation (TSaO2) >91%, budesonide was maintained at the doses, timepoints and techniques defined in the study protocol. However, if Clinical score >= 7, TSaO2 <90%, arterial oxygen pressure less than 60 mmHg and carbon dioxide >50 mmHg, the study was stopped and considered a failure. Such cases on budesonide were called therapy failure.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Nebulized budesonide and prednisone

Primary outcome(s)

The following were assessed at admission, 20, 40, 60 and 90 min, 2, 4, 6, 12 and 24 hours, in the morning, afternoon, and evening on the first day after discharge from hospital, and then on the 10th and 15th day after discharge:

- 1. Wood Clinical Score
- 2. Pulse oximetry (TSaO2)
- 3. Respiratory frequency
- 4. Cough intensity
- 5. Dyspnea
- 6. Use of emergency bronchodilatory medication

Key secondary outcome(s))

Intensity of stress presented during the treatment, measured by the number of Wood Clinical Score obtained divided per the total patients number.

Completion date

30/10/2006

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Children from 1 month to 3 years old
- 2. Moderate to very severe acute wheezing, defined by a modified Wood clinical score over 3 after three doses of fenoterol at 20 minute intervals

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

1 months

Upper age limit

3 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Previous use of systemic corticosteroid
- 2. Inhalation of corticosteroid or topical corticosteroid in the past 10 days
- 3. Cardiopathy
- 4. Nephropathy
- 5. Neuropathy
- 6. Inadequate nutritional level

Date of first enrolment

30/03/2003

Date of final enrolment

30/10/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment

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Sponsor information

Organisation

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Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

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