

# Randomised controlled trial of the benefits of oral essential amino acids in haemodialysis patients at high risk for hospitalisation

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

### Secondary identifying numbers

CT 00-AMI-003

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Study objectives

Can health parameters be improved in patients on maintenance haemodialysis by oral supplementation with essential amino acids?

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Western Institutional Review Board (USA) approved on 27 November 2002 (Study number: 1033247, Invest. number: 67275).

## Study design

Randomised, multicentre, double-blind, parallel, placebo-controlled study

## 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

End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), and haemodialysis

## Interventions

Essential amino acid supplementation/placebo treatment in haemodialysis patient for six months or until a primary end-point is reached.

## Intervention Type

Supplement

## Phase

Not Specified

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

Essential amino acid supplementation

## Primary outcome measure

The primary outcome was comparing the time of the composite primary outcome of :

1. Hospitalisation, other than for uncomplicated dialysis access procedure
2. Prolonged Emergency Room (ER) visit (more than 16 hours)
3. Out of hospital death

### **Secondary outcome measures**

Secondary efficacy analyses, for the following outcomes comparing the change in the given parameter from baseline to the last available study measurement:

1. Change in subjective global assessment
2. Change in grip strength
3. Change in quality of life measures (using Short Form 12 instrument)
4. Change in lowest post dialysis weight

### **Overall study start date**

09/01/2003

### **Completion date**

20/01/2006

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patients on maintenance haemodialysis for at least four months at high risk of hospitalisation. This is defined as:
  - a. no more than two weeks post discharge from an acute hospitalisation and a serum albumin below 4.0 g/dl
  - b. a serum albumin below 3.8 g/dl

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Sex**

Both

### **Target number of participants**

Patients planned for approximately 400. Patients obtained 84

### **Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients who have difficulties in taking pills, due to problems swallowing or intractable vomiting
2. Patients who have a short time life expectancy or are awaiting non-cadaveric kidney transplantation

### **Date of first enrolment**

09/01/2003

### **Date of final enrolment**

20/01/2006

## Locations

### Countries of recruitment

Ireland

United States of America

### Study participating centre

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## Sponsor information

### Organisation

Recip AB (Sweden)

### Sponsor details

Lagervägen 7

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Sweden

SE -136 50

### Sponsor type

Industry

### Website

[http:// www.recip.se](http://www.recip.se)

### ROR

<https://ror.org/01apnjb23>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Government

### Funder Name

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney diseases (NIDDK), National Institutes of Health (USA)

**Funder Name**

Recip AB (Sweden)

**Funder Name**

Gambro Corporate Research

## **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