# Cardiovascular risk factors in post menopausal woman: The effect of mode of delivery of hormone replacement therapy (HRT)

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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Scientific

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**Protocol serial number** N/A

# Study information

Scientific Title

## Study objectives

To establish differences, if any, in alteration in cardiovascular risk factors with HRT in post menopausal women according to route of administration of HRT, oral, transdermal and implant, using first oestrogen alone then oestrogen plus norethisterone, or testosterone for implant. There is increasing use of HRT by post menopausal women. Observational epidemiological studies in the United States but no randomised controlled trials of HRT have been carried out in the primary practice setting. Previous studies of cardiovascular risk factors have shown a variety of responses according to type of progestagen and oral or topical administration. None has examined the effect of route using identical progestagen.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

## Study design

Randomised open label controlled parallel group trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

#### Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Hypertension, menstrual disorders and hormone replacement therapy (HRT)

#### **Interventions**

Menopausal status was confirmed and women were randomised to one of three treatment groups or acted as controls. The treatment regimes were two oral groups, with cyclical or continuous progestagen, and one transdermal regime with cyclical progestagen. The group who had had a hysterectomy received HRT by implant. Each regime lasted six months: for the first 3 months, oestradiol unopposed was given by each route; for the second three months, norethisterone was added as the progestagen, orally and transdermally as appropriate.

Measurements: Blood samples

- 1. fasting glucose
- 2. insulin
- 3. total cholesterol
- 4. high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol
- 5. low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol and triglycerides
- 6. lipoprotein (a)
- 7. follicular stimulating hormone
- 8. lutenising hormone
- 9. oestradiol
- 10. factor VII
- 11. fibrinogen
- 12. plasmin antiplasmin

- 13. thrombin anti thrombin
- 14. Von willebrand factors
- 15. E-selectin

## **Intervention Type**

Drug

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

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

Oestradiol, norethisterone, testosterone

## Primary outcome(s)

- 1. Response to HRT
- 2. Anthropometric measurements
- 3. Cardiovascular Risk Factors
- 4. Blood pressure
- 5. Lipoproteins
- 6. Glucose and insulin
- 7. Clotting variables
- 8. Arterial wall factors

## Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

## Completion date

13/03/2000

# **Eligibility**

## Key inclusion criteria

Women aged 50 - 65 years from lists in general practices local to the Charing Cross Hospital Lipid Clinic in West London.

## Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Other

#### Sex

Female

## Key exclusion criteria

Women with liver, renal or endocrine abnormalities were excluded, as were those on lipid altering medication.

# Date of first enrolment

01/02/1995

## Date of final enrolment

13/03/2000

## Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre Cardiovascular Medicine

London United Kingdom W6 8RF

# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Record Provided by the NHS R&D 'Time-Limited' National Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Government

#### **Funder Name**

NHS Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke National Research and Development Programme (UK)

## **Results and Publications**

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?
Results article	results	01/12/2000		Yes	No