

# MRC ALL 97 - UK national lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) trial

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)  
NCT00003437

**Protocol serial number**  
G8223452

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

**Acronym**

MRC ALL 97

**Study objectives**

To compare, in a randomised fashion the effect on remission rate, event-free survival and overall survival of i) receiving, both during induction and continuing treatment, either oral prednisolone or dexamethasone, ii) receiving, where appropriate and throughout treatment (apart from intensive blocks) either oral 6-mercaptopurine or 6-thioguanine. To assess the effect on event-free survival for all patients of a schedule concentrating on tight control of maintenance therapy. To collect data on i) thiopurine metabolites on serial blood samples to assess the adequacy of therapy and to compare the pharmacokinetics of 6-MP and 6-TG, and ii) the presence or absence of minimal residual disease in serial bone marrow samples to assess its clinical importance. Also, two randomisations will be carried forward from the previous trial (UKALL XI) until sufficient numbers have accrued to answer the questions to which they relate, so subsidiary objectives are i) to continue to study, in a prospective randomised manner, the effect of either two or three blocks of intensive therapy, and ii) to continue to study the effect of high-dose methotrexate or cranial irradiation for patients with presenting white counts in excess of  $50 \times 10^9/l$ .

**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

**Study type(s)**

Not Specified

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

Leukaemia

**Interventions**

Oral prednisolone/dexamethasone/Oral 6-mercaptopurine/6-thioguanine

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

1. Disease-free survival
2. CNS disease eradication
3. Relapse rates

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

30/06/2002

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

Open to all children with ALL except those in 'Exclusions'

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Child

**Lower age limit**

1 years

**Upper age limit**

18 years

**Sex**

Not Specified

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients under 1 year or over 18 years,
2. B-ALL, Ph positivity, near haploidy in blasts or rearrangements involving the MLL gene on 11q23 and
3. High risk by Oxford Hazard Score (based on a function of age, gender and diagnostic leucocyte count)

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/1997

**Date of final enrolment**

30/06/2002

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**  
Medical Research Council (MRC) (UK)

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**  
Research council

**Funder Name**  
Medical Research Council (MRC) (UK)

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Medical Research Council (United Kingdom), UK Medical Research Council, MRC

**Funding Body Type**  
Government organisation

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National government

**Location**  
United Kingdom

## 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?
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01/04/2005

Yes

No