Ketamine in treatment-resistant major depression

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Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

2006-001798-95

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ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

170965

Study information

Scientific Title

Ketamine in treatment-resistant major depression

Study objectives

The purpose of this trial is to study if ketamine-infusion relieves symptoms of depression among patients, who have not obtained sufficient response from conventional treatment. The study is a randomised, placebo-controlled, parallel-group trial.

Updated 04/02/2015: the trial was stopped on 14/08/2007 due to major difficulties in recruiting eligible subjects.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

The Ethical Committee of the Northern Savo Hospital District (formerly "The ethical committee of University of Kuopio and Kuopio University Hospital"), approval was dated 14/03/2006 (ref: 30/2006). The study was also approved by the National Agency for Medicines on 12/05/2006 (ref: 81/2006).

The Ethical Committee of the Northern Savo Hospital District has approved the amendment of the exclusion criteria on 12/12/2006

Study design

Randomised placebo-controlled parallel-group multi-centre trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised parallel trial

Study setting(s)

Hospital

Study type(s)

Treatment

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Treatment-resistant major depression

Interventions

Ketamine-infusion (0.5 mg/kg) or placebo-infusion (0.9 % NaCl) during 40 minutes.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Applicable

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Ketamine

Primary outcome measure

Change in HAMD-17 scores during the first seven days after infusion compared with scores on control day (before infusion).

Secondary outcome measures

- 1. 15-D instrument to indicate quality of life
- 2. HAMD/ Melancholia Scale (MES)
- 3. Symptom Checklist 90-scale (SCL-90)

Overall study start date

09/06/2006

Completion date

30/09/2007

Reason abandoned (if study stopped)

Participant recruitment issue

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Major depression disorder (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of mental disorders [DSM-IV] 296.2 or 296.3) or type two bipolar affective disorder, last phase with depressive symptoms
- 2. Depressive symptoms at least at moderate level (Hamilton Depression rating scale [HAMD-17] score 16 or more)
- 3. Age 18 to 55 years
- 4. Insufficient response to at least two different antidepressants
- 5. No substantial changes in current antidepressant treatment during the last four weeks and changes in pharmacotherapy have not been planned for the following two weeks

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

100 patients

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Serious somatic disease (cardiac insufficiency, untreated hypertension, increased cerebral pressure, diseases in the central nervous system, increased intraocular pressure (glaucoma), hepatic disease, porphyria, thyroid disease, infection in lungs or in upper respiratory track, epilepsy)
- 2. Theophyllin medication, or use of anticonvulsants or drugs affecting glutamatergic system
- 3. Proneness to psychotic symptoms (psychosis diagnosed in first degree relatives)
- 4. Increased suicide risk
- 5. Pregnancy
- 6. Substance abuse during the last three weeks
- 7. Exceptionally large dosage of antidepressants (dosage per day more than recommended in Pharmaca Fennica) (this was amended 19/12/2006)
- 8. Exceptionally large dosage of benzodiazepines (diazepam equivalent dose more than 30 mg/day)

Date of first enrolment

09/06/2006

Date of final enrolment

30/09/2007

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Finland

Study participating centre Niuvanniemi Hospital

Kuopio Finland FI-70240

Sponsor information

Organisation

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Sponsor type

University/education

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Funder(s)

Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

Funder Name

Niuvanniemi Hospital (Finland)

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