

The first Therapeutic Interventions in Malignant Effusion trial

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Plain English summary of protocol

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-trial-to-find-the-best-way-of-controlling-pain-during-and-after-pleurodesis>

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1.1

Study information

Scientific Title

The first Therapeutic Interventions in Malignant Effusion trial

Acronym

TIME1

Study objectives

The TIME1 study is a 2 x 2 randomised factorial trial to assess whether non-steroidal (ibuprofen) analgesia and the use of small bore chest tubes will reduce pain during pleurodesis for malignant effusion, compared to standard care. The trial will also define whether non-steroidal use decreases pleurodesis efficacy.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

West Essex Local Research Ethics Committee, 24/04/2006, ref: 05/Q0301/61

Study design

2 x 2 randomised factorial trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Malignant pleural effusion, including mesothelioma

Interventions

Participants will undergo normal care (thoracoscopy and talc poudrage or talc slurry pleurodesis via drain), using standardised pre-procedure sedation and analgesia as per protocol. The sizes of chest tubes to be used are predefined (large [24F] and small [12F]). The analgesic regimens are:

1. NSAID: ibuprofen 800 mg three times daily (tds) to a maximum of 8-hourly
2. Opiate: diamorphine 2.5 mg, intravenous (IV) administration, four times daily (qds) to a maximum of 10 mg
3. Rescue: patients will always have access to rescue analgesia as required (diamorphine 2.5 mg IV)

Treatment continues from pleurodesis (day 0) to tube removal (day 3).

Participants will be randomised to one of the following arms:

1. Large bore (24F) chest drain and NSAID-based analgesic regimen
2. Small bore (12F) chest drain and NSAID-based analgesic regimen
3. Large bore chest drain (24F) and opiate-based analgesic regimen
4. Small bore chest drain (12F) and opiate-based analgesic regimen

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Applicable

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Ibuprofen

Primary outcome(s)

Pain score over 72 hours post pleurodesis for malignant pleural effusion, taken by administering 100 mm visual analogue pain score (VAS), to calculate the total pain relief (TOTPAR) score, over 3 days

Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Success of pleurodesis at six weeks and three months post randomisation (time to relapse of pleural effusion, survival analysis)
2. Presence of chronic chest pain on the side of the pleurodesis at six weeks and three months post randomisation

Completion date

31/12/2009

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

1. Clinically confident diagnosis of malignant pleural effusion requiring pleurodesis

Definitions:

- 1.1. Histologically proven pleural malignancy
- 1.2. Typical features of pleural malignancy seen on direct vision during thoracoscopy
- 1.3. Pleural effusion in the context of histologically proven cancer elsewhere
2. Written informed consent
3. Expected survival more than one month

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

Total final enrolment

320

Key exclusion criteria

1. Age less than 18 years
2. Primary lymphoma or small cell lung carcinoma
3. Patients who are pregnant or lactating
4. Inability to give informed consent
5. History of gastrointestinal (GI) bleeding or of untreated peptic ulceration
6. Known sensitivity to non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) or opiates
7. Hypercapnic ventilatory failure
8. Known intravenous drug abuse
9. Severe renal or liver disease
10. Known bleeding diathesis
11. Warfarin therapy which must be continued
12. Current or recent (within two weeks) corticosteroid steroid therapy

Date of first enrolment

26/03/2007

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2009

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation

University of Oxford (UK)

ROR

<https://ror.org/052gg0110>

Funder(s)

Funder type

University/education

Funder Name

University of Oxford (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

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	01/12/2015		Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes
Plain English results			31/03/2022	No	Yes