

# Use of Intravenous Paracetamol in Combination with Morphine in sickle cell disease children with vaso-occlusive crisis

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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# Study information

## Scientific Title

Efficacy of intravenous paracetamol in combination with opioid infusion for sickle cell disease children in vaso-occlusive crisis: a single-blinded randomised trial

## Acronym

IPCM

## Study objectives

To look for any reduction in the amount of morphine and duration of hospitalisation as a result of using intravenous (IV) paracetamol.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Approved by the Medical Research and Ethics Committee of Sultan Qaboos University, Oman (ref: 310)

## Study design

Single-blinded randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

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

Sickle cell disease with vaso-occlusive crisis

## Interventions

Use of IV paracetamol in combination with morphine versus use of placebo with morphine:  
Group A (standard treatment): morphine (weight of the child multiplied by constant 0.5 = \*mg of morphine) and placebo (50 ml of starch/dextromaltose, one hour duration, six hourly)  
Group B (intervention treatment): morphine infusion and intravenous paracetamol infusion. Morphine dose is calculated as in group A, and dose of paracetamol will be 15 mg/kg/dose every six hourly in a one hour infusion.

Duration of treatment depends on the response of the pain; no standard period. The period of hospital stay will be compared later to see if there is any reduction by adding IV paracetamol to morphine treatment. The patient will have liver function tests performed at the beginning of the treatment to establish a baseline, and then the patient will be followed up in the out-patient clinic.

\*mg of morphine is added to 50 ml 5% dextrose. 1 ml/hr is equal to 10 µg/kg/hr. The starting rate is 5 ml/hr which is equal to 50 µg/kg/hr. The rate is titrated according to the response of pain.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Specified

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

Morphine, intravenous (IV) paracetamol

**Primary outcome measure**

Reduction in the amount of morphine and duration of hospitalisation, assessed on a daily basis.

**Secondary outcome measures**

Assessed on a daily basis:

1. Reduction in duration of hospital stay (days) for pain relief
2. Reduction in pain severity on a scale of 1 - 10, which will be assessed each shift
3. Reduction of morphine requirements
4. Reduction in morphine side effects namely: prurities, nausea/vomiting, urinary retention

**Overall study start date**

01/05/2008

**Completion date**

01/05/2010

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

All sickle cell disease (SCD) children (aged 2 - 13 years, either sex) admitted with vaso-occlusive crisis (VOC) in B2 (blue two) ward of Sultan Qaboos University Hospital (SQUH)

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Child

**Lower age limit**

2 Years

**Upper age limit**

13 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

200

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Children aged less than one year
2. Children with fever of more than 38.5°C
3. Children with prior side effects of morphine
4. Children with prior history of side effects of paracetamol
5. Children with severe jaundice or severe liver impairment

**Date of first enrolment**

01/05/2008

**Date of final enrolment**

01/05/2010

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Oman

**Study participating centre**

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

Sultan Qaboos University (Oman) - College of Medicine and Health Sciences

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<http://www.squ.edu.om/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/049xx5c95>

**Funder(s)****Funder type**

University/education

**Funder Name**

Sultan Qaboos University (Oman) - College of Medicine and Health Sciences

**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