# Terlipressin versus albumin in the prevention of paracentesis-associated adverse events in patients with cirrhosis and tense ascites

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27/01/2006	No longer recruiting	Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
27/01/2006	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
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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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# Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number

**NTR463** 

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Terlipressin versus albumin in the prevention of paracentesis associated adverse events in patients with cirrhosis and tense ascites: a multicentre randomised controlled trial

# Acronym

TAPP-study

# **Study objectives**

The effect of terlipressin on the effective arterial blood volume (EABV) in patients with cirrhosis and (tense) ascites who receive a therapeutic paracentesis, is equivalent to the current standard treatment with human albumin without the risks of a blood product and with lower costs.

# Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

# Ethics approval(s)

Received from the local medical ethics committee

# Study design

Multicentre randomised active-controlled parallel-group trial

# Primary study design

Interventional

# Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Cirrhosis of the liver/ascites

### **Interventions**

Patients will be randomly assigned to receive either terlipressin or albumin, the standard treatment, intravenously (iv) when they receive a therapeutic paracentesis.

The terlipressin group will receive an iv-bolus of 1 mg terlipressin at onset of therapeutic paracentesis and another iv-bolus of 2 mg 6 hours after paracentesis. The albumin group will receive 8 g of albumin iv per litre of ascitic fluid removed.

At onset, after 6 hours, and on day 6 after paracentesis vital functions, blood, urine, and ascitic fluid samples will be taken to measure the effect of the medication.

# Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

Not Applicable

# Primary outcome(s)

Decrease in EABV. This is an increase in plasma renin concentration (PRC) of more than 50% of baseline values 6 days after paracentesis.

# Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Circulatory parameters
- 2. Renal function
- 3. Body weight (recurrence of ascites)
- 4. Adverse events
- 5. Costs

# Completion date

30/11/2006

# **Eligibility**

# Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Cirrhosis with tense ascites requiring therapeutic paracentesis
- 2. Aged 18 70 years
- 3. Written informed consent

# Participant type(s)

Patient

# Healthy volunteers allowed

No

# Age group

Adult

# Lower age limit

18 years

### Sex

All

# Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Hypertension treated with medication
- 2. History of cardiac or coronary disease
- 3. Circulatory unstable
- 4. Until 5 days prior to paracentesis:
- 4.1. Infusion of a plasma expander
- 4.2. Gastro-intestinal haemorrhage
- 4.3. Spontaneous bacterial peritonitis
- 5. Systemic administration of antibiotics within the past 14 days for a period of more than 24 hours, with the exception of quinolones
- 6. Hepatocellular carcinoma
- 7. Hepatic encephalopathy
- 8. Pregnancy or lack of adequate contraception in sexually active females
- 9. Any other condition which in the opinion of the investigator would make the patient unsuitable for enrolment, or could interfere with the patient participating in and completing the study

# Date of first enrolment

# Date of final enrolment 30/11/2006

# Locations

Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

Study participating centre Erasmus Medical Centre Rotterdam Netherlands 3015 GD

# Sponsor information

# Organisation

Foundation for Liver and Gastrointestinal Research (SLO) (Netherlands)

# **ROR**

https://ror.org/04hzejq44

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Research organisation

## **Funder Name**

Dutch Society for Hepatology (Nederlandse Vereniging voor Hepatologie [NVH]) (Netherlands)

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# **Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

**IPD sharing plan summary**Not provided at time of registration