

# Effect of an angiotensin receptor antagonist on cerebral blood flow, cerebral perfusion pressure, and systemic and peripheral haemodynamics in patients with acute stroke

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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1.1

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Effect of an angiotensin receptor antagonist on cerebral blood flow, cerebral perfusion pressure, and systemic and peripheral haemodynamics in patients with acute stroke

## Acronym

TAST

## Study objectives

The hypothesis is that it is possible to lower blood pressure in hypertensive patients with acute stroke using telmisartan (an angiotensin receptor antagonist) without reducing cerebral blood flow.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the UK National Research Ethics Service - committee LNR1 on the 11th December 2006 (ref: 06/Q2501/228)

## Study design

Single centre, interventional, randomised, double blind placebo controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Hypertension in acute stroke

## Interventions

Telmisartan 80 mg once a day or matched placebo. The patients are in the trial for 90 days, and receive treatment for the whole period.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Not Specified

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

Telmisartan

## Primary outcome(s)

Quantitative cerebral blood flow (xenon computed tomography [CT] figure) before and 1.5 hours after first treatment.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Middle cerebral artery blood flow velocity (MCABFV) and pulsatility index (transcranial doppler [TCD])
2. Central blood pressure
3. Augmentation index (AI [applanation tonometry at carotid and radial arteries on ipsilateral side, SphygmoCor])
4. Peripheral blood pressure
5. Heart rate (Omron)

Measured at baseline, and 4.5 hours after first dose, day 4, 7 and 90 treatment.

**Completion date**

30/11/2009

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patients must have suffered ischaemic or haemorrhagic stroke
2. Patients must be 18 years of age or over, either sex
3. Onset date of stroke is less than 5 days
4. Systolic blood pressure (BP) greater than 140 mmHg

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Less than 18 years of age
2. Normotension or hypotension (systolic BP less than 140 mmHg)
3. Onset date more than 5 days
4. Coma (Scandinavian Stroke Scale [SSS] less than 4)
5. Patients who are of childbearing potential, pregnant or breastfeeding

**Date of first enrolment**

01/07/2007

**Date of final enrolment**

30/11/2009

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

## Study participating centre

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

University of Nottingham (UK)

## ROR

<https://ror.org/01ee9ar58>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Charity

## Funder Name

British Heart Foundation (BHF) (UK) (ref: PG/05/137/19999)

## Alternative Name(s)

the\_bhf, The British Heart Foundation, BHF

## Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

## Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	05/06/2013		Yes	No
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes