Pycnogenol® to reduce use of commercial antihypertensive medications: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, prospective, 15-week study

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Registration date 31/10/2007	Overall study status Completed	 Statistical analysis plan Results
Last Edited 31/10/2007	Condition category Circulatory System	 Individual participant data Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Pycnogenol®, a natural product, a "complementary or alternative medicine", will reduce the use of antihypertensive medicines (Angiotensin Converting Enzyme [ACE] inhibitors) and Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) risk factors in subjects with both hypertension and type 2 diabetes.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the Human Subjects Protection Program at University of Arizona on the 16th August 2003 (ref: 03-129).

Study design

Single-centre, interventional, randomised double-blind placebo-controlled study

Primary study design Interventional

Secondary study design Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Treatment

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Cardiovascular risk factors in diabetes

Interventions

Oral administration of Pycnogenol® pills (25 mg, 5 times a day) or matched inactive placebo for 12 weeks. Total duration of follow-up is 15 weeks.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Pycnogenol®

Primary outcome measure

Measured at 12th week of treatment:

1. Blood pressure, measured on the left arm after 10 minutes rest (Korotkoff sounds I and V were taken as the systolic and diastolic blood pressures)

- 2. Serum endothelin-1
- 3. Fasting Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL)-cholesterol
- 4. Glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c)
- 5. Fasting plasma glucose
- 6. Urinary albumin concentration

Secondary outcome measures

Measured at 4th and 8th week of treatment:

1. Blood pressure, measured on the left arm after 10 minutes rest (Korotkoff sounds I and V were taken as the systolic and diastolic blood pressures)

- 2. Serum endothelin-1
- 3. Fasting Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL)-cholesterol
- 4. Glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c)
- 5. Fasting plasma glucose
- 6. Urinary albumin concentration

Overall study start date

01/08/2003

Completion date

01/08/2007

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Men and women, 40 75 years of age
- 2. Non-insulin dependent type 2 diabetes
- 3. Receiving pharmaceutical treatment (ACE-inhibitors) for hypertension
- 4. Pre-trial systolic blood pressure of 130 150 mmHg

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex Both

Target number of participants 80

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Type 1 diabetes
- 2. Use of insulin
- 3. Any supplements other than single daily multivitamin
- 4. Having any major illness such as cancer, asthma, or heart failure
- 5. Any previous cardiac events
- 6. Pregnancy, or being nursing mother

Date of first enrolment

01/08/2003

Date of final enrolment 01/08/2007

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United States of America

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation

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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