

# A randomised clinical trial of fludrocortisone for the prevention of vasovagal syncope

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Study website

<http://www.faintingresearch.ca>

## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

NCT00118482

Secondary identifying numbers

## Study information

### Scientific Title

A randomised clinical trial of fludrocortisone for the prevention of vasovagal syncope

### Acronym

POST II

### Study objectives

Fludrocortisone prevents recurrences of vasovagal syncope.

### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

### Ethics approval(s)

Yes, November 2004, October 2005 and October 2006

### Study design

Double-blind placebo-controlled trial

### Primary study design

Interventional

### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Hospital

### Study type(s)

Prevention

### Participant information sheet

Patient information can be found on the website at <http://www.faintingresearch.ca/>

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

Vasovagal syncope

### Interventions

Double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of fludrocortisone.

### Intervention Type

Drug

### Phase

Not Applicable

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

Fludrocortisone

**Primary outcome measure**

Time to first recurrence of syncope

**Secondary outcome measures**

1. The frequency of syncope
2. Pre-syncope frequency duration and intensity
3. Quality of life

**Overall study start date**

01/06/2005

**Completion date**

31/12/2009

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

Children (greater than 13 years) and adults, either sex, with greater than two lifetime episodes of vasovagal syncope.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Other

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

310

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Other causes of syncope, such as ventricular tachycardia, complete heart block, postural (orthostatic) hypotension or hypersensitive carotid sinus syndrome
2. An inability to give informed consent
3. Important valvular, coronary, myocardial or conduction abnormality or significant arrhythmia
4. Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
5. A known intolerance to fludrocortisone
6. Another clinical need for fludrocortisone that can not be met with other drugs
7. A permanent pacemaker
8. A seizure disorder
9. A major chronic non-cardiovascular disease
10. Hypertension (blood pressure more than or equal to 130/85 on two occasions) or heart failure
11. Renal dysfunction (baseline glomerular filtration rate reduced below 60 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> according to the Cockcroft-Gault formula)
12. Diabetes mellitus

- 13. Hepatic disease
- 14. Glaucoma
- 15. Any prior use of fludrocortisone acetate
- 16. A five-minute stand test resulting in diagnosis of postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome or orthostatic hypotension

**Date of first enrolment**

01/06/2005

**Date of final enrolment**

31/12/2009

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Canada

**Study participating centre**

**University of Calgary**

Calgary, Alberta

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/03yjb2x39>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Research organisation

## Funder Name

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) (Canada) - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca> (ref: 130312)

## Alternative Name(s)

Instituts de Recherche en Santé du Canada, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), CIHR\_IRSC, Canadian Institutes of Health Research | Ottawa ON, CIHR, IRSC

## Funding Body Type

Government organisation

## Funding Body Subtype

National government

## Location

Canada

# 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

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	01/06/2006		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	05/07/2016	14/02/2019	Yes	No