

# The GAMetocyticidal activity of sulphadoxine-pyremthamine plus artesunate followed by a single dose of PrimaQuine

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**Recruitment status**

No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☐ Protocol

**Registration date**

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**Overall study status**

Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☒ Results

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**Condition category**

Infections and Infestations

☐ Individual participant data

**Plain English summary of protocol**

Not provided at time of registration

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# Study information

## Scientific Title

The activity of sulphadoxine-pyrimethamine plus artesunate (SP+AS) and SP+AS followed by a single dose of primaquine (0.75 mg/kg ) against gametocytes in Tanzanian children with uncomplicated falciparum malaria

## Acronym

GAM-PQ

## Study objectives

Gametocytocidal drugs can play an important role in malaria control. The current study proposal is a pilot study to determine the efficacy of a gametocytocidal drug combination that consists of the extensively tested combination of Sulphadoxine-Pyrimethamine (SP) plus Artesunate (AS), followed by a single dose of Primaquine (PQ). This combination has previously been used and has been shown to be safe and efficient in clearing microscopic gametocytes. In this study we propose to confirm the safety in a Tanzanian population and to determine the added value of a single dose of PQ on the clearance of (sub-microscopic) gametocytes compared to SP and AS alone.

Hypothesis: Primaquine adds to the gametocytocidal effect of artesunate and clears sub-microscopic gametocytes.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

1. London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine - 24th July 2006 (ref: 4097)
2. National Institute of Medical Research, Tanzania - 21st June 2006 (ref: NIMR/HQ/R.8A Vol.XIII /446)

## Study design

Randomised single blind drug study

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Other

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

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

Uncomplicated febrile malaria

## **Interventions**

Participants will be randomised to treatment with:

1. Sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine (SP) (500 mg S; 25 mg P/20 kg body weight, day zero) and artesunate (4 mg/kg, day zero, one, two) followed by a placebo (day two)
2. SP (500 mg S; 25 mg P/20 kg body weight, day zero) and AS (4 mg/kg, day zero, one, two) followed by primaquine (PQ) (0.75mg/kg, day two)

## **Intervention Type**

Drug

## **Phase**

Not Applicable

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

Sulphadoxine-pyrimethamine, artesunate and primaquine

## **Primary outcome measure**

The following are assessed on days one, two, three, seven, 14, 28 and 42 after treatment:

1. Resolution of clinical symptoms
2. Haematological recovery
3. Presence of malaria parasites by microscopy and molecular techniques
4. Presence of sexual stage parasites by microscopy and molecular techniques

## **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Haematological recovery in G6PD deficient and non deficient individuals
2. Selection of drug-resistant parasite strains after treatment

## **Overall study start date**

01/08/2006

## **Completion date**

13/10/2006

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Age more than three years
2. Residents of research area (5 km around the clinic)
3. Willingness to come for complete scheduled follow-up
4. Uncomplicated malaria with Plasmodium falciparum mono-infection
5. Parasitaemia of 500,000 to 900,000 parasites/ul
6. Temperature more than 37.5 and less than 39.5°C, or history of fever in the previous 24 hours
7. No history of adverse reactions to SP or PQ treatment
8. Understanding of the procedures of the study by parent or guardian and willing to participate by signing informed consent forms

## **Participant type(s)**

Patient

## **Age group**

Other

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

100

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. General signs of severe malaria or haemoglobin count less than 8 g/dl
2. Presence of disease other than malaria causing febrile conditions
3. Unwilling to participate and sign informed consent forms
4. Eligibility for (or participation in) other malaria projects in the Korogwe area, notably the Intermittent Preventive Treatment of malaria in infants (IPTi) study

**Date of first enrolment**

01/08/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

13/10/2006

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Tanzania

**Study participating centre**

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**Funder type**

Research organisation

**Funder Name**

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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

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	10/10/2007		Yes	No