

# Fish Oils in Lupus

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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## Additional identifiers

### Clinical Trials Information System (CTIS)

2004-004404-21

### Protocol serial number

073400

## Study information

### Scientific Title

# Omega-3-polyunsaturated fatty acids and atherosclerosis in systemic lupus erythematosus: cellular mechanisms and functional consequences

## Study objectives

### AIMS:

1. To examine platelet free radical (nitric oxide and superoxide) generation in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)
2. To examine endothelial function and vascular reactivity in systemic lupus erythematosus at global, local and microvascular levels
3. To examine the effect of omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acids in relation to markers of platelet activation, vascular reactivity and disease activity in systemic lupus erythematosus

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

QUB Research Ethics Committee (reconstituted to ORECNI 2004) gave approval on the 28th May 2003 (MHRA letter of approval on 10th December 2004). Reference numbers:

1. Ethics: 158/03
2. Trust: 04/SW/114
3. Eudract No.: 2004-004404-21
4. CTA No.: 21993-0002-001-0001

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

## Interventions

SLE subjects will be randomised to either fish oil capsules or placebo for a 24 week period. The patients will have measures of endothelial function and vascular reactivity, free radical activity and markers of disease activity taken at baseline, 12 weeks and at 24 weeks.

## Joint sponsor details:

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**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Specified

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

Fish oil capsules

**Primary outcome(s)**

Improved nitric oxide bioactivity and reduced superoxide bioactivity.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Improved vascular reactivity and endothelial function, clinical response as measured by Revised activity index of Systemic Lupus Activity Measure (SLAM-R), Systemic Lupus International Collaborating Clinics (SLICC) and British Isles Lupus Assessment Group (BILAG).

**Completion date**

01/08/2006

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

Patients (adult, either sex) fulfilling American College of Rheumatology (ACR) classification criteria for SLE.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Diabetes mellitus (fasting blood glucose more than 7.8 mmol/l)
2. Hypertension of systolic more than 160 mmHg or diastolic more than 90 mmHg (as determined by the mean of three readings taken on the first visit)
3. Carcinoma (other than superficial skin carcinoma)
4. Significant pulmonary, hepatic or renal disease
5. Typical angina or myocardial infarction
6. Active infectious diseases
7. Use of antihypertensive, oral hypoglycaemic or lipid lowering agent (in the last three months)
8. Cyclophosphamide therapy (due to potential to interfere with acetylcholinesterase)
9. Glucocorticoids equivalent to greater than 10 mg prednisolone
10. All pregnant or lactating women will be excluded.

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/2005

**Date of final enrolment**

01/08/2006

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

Northern Ireland

**Study participating centre**

Queen's University of Belfast

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**

Queen's University of Belfast (UK)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/00hswnk62>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Charity

**Funder Name**

The Wellcome Trust (UK) (grant ref: 073400)

## 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	01/06/2008		Yes	No