Probiotic VSL#3 as a treatment for food intolerant irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
30/09/2004	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
30/09/2004	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
19/07/2017	Digestive System	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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N0544129304

Study information

Scientific Title

Probiotic VSL#3 as a treatment for food intolerant irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)

Study objectives

Probiotic VSL#3 as a treatment for food intolerant irritable bowel syndrome.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

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

Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)

Interventions

Patients with suspected food intolerant IBS will be randomised to receive either VSL#3, a probiotic containing 8 non-pathogenic strains of bacteria or a placebo. The dose of either the VSL#3 or the placebo is dependent on the number of daily bowel movements. The patient will be required to take the full dose of VSL#3 or placebo for 6 weeks. A validated symptom score will used to record symptoms for 2 weeks prior to starting the treatment and for two weeks after one month has elapsed. The validated symptom score will be used to assess if any statistical improvement has occurred in their symptoms. The study will be double-blinded.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome measure

Not provided at time of registration

Secondary outcome measures

Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date

28/03/2003

Completion date

27/03/2006

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

20 subjects aged 18 - 65 years, either sex

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

20

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

28/03/2003

Date of final enrolment

27/03/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre

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Cambridge United Kingdom CB2 2QQ

Sponsor information

Organisation

Department of Health

Sponsor details

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Sponsor type

Government

Website

http://www.dh.gov.uk/Home/fs/en

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

Cambridge Consortium - Addenbrooke's (UK)

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