Does conversion from Mycophenolate Mofetil (CellCept) to Enteric-coated Mycophenolate Sodium (Myfortic) improve gastrointestinal symptoms in pediatric renal transplant recipients?

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
12/01/2007	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
11/01/2008	Completed	☐ Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
09/10/2008	Injury, Occupational Diseases, Poisoning	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number

N/A

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

Myfortic

Study objectives

To determine whether pediatric renal transplant recipients experience any difference in their gastrointestinal symptoms when converted from Mycophenolate MoFetil (MMF or CellCept) to Enteric-coated Mycophenolate Sodium (EC-MPS or Myfortic). Also, to evaluate the pharmacokinetics of MycoPhenolic Acid (MPA) in a subgroup of children converting from Cellcept to Myfortic.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

University of British Columbia Clinical Research Ethics Board, approved on 27 November 2007 (ref: H06-03867)

Study design

Non-randomised controlled trial.

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Kidney transplant

Interventions

Once consent has been obtained from the participants, they will be asked to complete the validated Gastrointestinal Symptom Rating Scale (GSRS), a 15-item instrument designed to assess the symptoms associated with common gastrointestinal disorders. A subgroup of patients (10 participants) will participate in the pharmacokinetic evaluations.

Intervention: Switch those currently taking MMF (orally) to EC-MPS/ Myfortic (orally) for 6 months. The dose of EC-MPS for each participant will be determined according to the dose of MMF he has been taking.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

To determine whether pediatric renal transplant recipients experience any difference in their gastrointestinal symptoms when converted from MMF (CellCept) to EC-MPS (Myfortic) at 6 months.

Key secondary outcome(s))

To evaluate safety and efficacy of converting pediatric renal transplant patients from MMF to EC-MPS.

Specifically evaluating:

- 1. The incidence of adverse events within the study period
- 2. Renal function as determined by serum creatinine and estimated or nuclear Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR) within the study period
- 3. Incidence of infections
- 4. Graft and patient survival within the study period

Completion date

01/12/2008

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Children, 7-20 years of age, with renal transplant whose current immunosuppression includes MMF
- 2. Female patients of childbearing age who agree to maintain effective birth control practice during the study
- 3. Patient has a functioning renal transplant for at least 3 months and with stable renal function
- 4. The patient, or in case the patient is minor, the patient's parent(s) or their legal representative, has been fully informed and has given written informed consent to participate in the study. If the minor is in the position to comprehend the nature, significance and scope of the study and to determine his decision accordingly, then his written consent shall also be required. Witnessed informed consent is accepted in case the patient (if not a minor) is capable of making the decision but not capable of signing the document.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

7 years

Upper age limit

20 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Current maintenance immunosuppression does not include Mycophenolate Mofetil
- 2. The patient has developmental delay or a syndrome that would not allow him or her to complete the GSRS questionnaire
- 3. Patient with malignancy or history of malignancy
- 4. Gastrointestinal symptoms not related to MMF (i.e. Infectious diarrhea)
- 5. Patient has significant, uncontrolled concomitant infections or other serious medical conditions (For example, uncontrolled diabetes or peptic ulcers)
- 6. Patient is participating or has participated in another clinical trial and/or is taking or has been taking an investigational drug in the past 28 days

Date of first enrolment

01/12/2006

Date of final enrolment

01/12/2008

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Canada

Study participating centre BC Children's Hospital Vancouver, B.C.

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc.

ROR

https://ror.org/05afs3z13

Funder(s)

Funder type

Industry

Funder Name

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?

Participant information sheet
Participant information sheet
11/11/2025 No Yes