

# Prevention of malaria during pregnancy: intermittent preventive treatment with two versus three doses of sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine

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No longer recruiting

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☐ Protocol

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Completed

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☒ Results

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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### Type(s)

Scientific

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N/A

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Intermittent preventive treatment with two versus three doses of sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine for the prevention of malaria during pregnancy in Mali: an open randomised controlled trial

## Study objectives

We hypothesised that intermittent preventive treatment (IPT)-three doses will be as efficacious as IPT-two doses of sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine (SP).

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethical committee of Faculty of Medicine, Pharmacy and Odonto-stomatology, University of Bamako approved on the 31st March 2006

## Study design

Open randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please contact Dr Kassoum Kayentao at [kayentao@mrtcbko.org](mailto:kayentao@mrtcbko.org) to request a patient information sheet

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

Malaria during pregnancy

## Interventions

Through an open label block randomisation (block size of 20); women were assigned to receive one of the treatment regimens (two or three doses of SP). One treatment dose was 1500 mg of sulfadoxine and 75 mg of pyrimethamine. Sequence of dosing administration was as follows:

1. Women in the three-doses received the first dose between the 4th - 6th month of gestation, the second dose between 5th - 7th month of gestation, and the third dose no later than the 8th month of gestation
2. Women in the two-dose group received the first dose between the 4th - 6th month of gestation and the second dose no later than the 8th month of gestation. Doses were administered at least one month apart.

All drugs were administered directly by the study team and women were observed for 30 minutes following dosing. Study participants were asked to avoid self medication of anti-malarials other than the study medication and to return to the clinic for scheduled monthly assessment or any unscheduled sick visits. Women received ferrous sulphate (200 mg containing 60 mg of iron) and folic acid (0.4 mg) daily starting two weeks after each SP dosing as recommended by the Ministry of Health.

If malaria was diagnosed during subsequent visits, oral quinine was given 600 mg three times a day over 7 consecutive days.

### **Intervention Type**

Drug

### **Phase**

Phase IV

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

Sulfadoxine-pyrimethamine

### **Primary outcome measure**

Placental malaria. Placental blood was collected from the maternal side of the placenta (after cleaning using filter paper before cutting with cleaned lancet) for thick blood smear for parasitaemia detection.

### **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Low birth weight. Gestational age at delivery was assessed using the Ballard score, and infants were weighed using a digital scale within 24 hours of delivery to measure the incidence of low birth weight.
2. Maternal anaemia. Following delivery, haemoglobin concentration was measured by HemoCue® (Hemocue 201: Anglholm, Sweden) and peripheral parasitaemia was assessed by peripheral blood smear.

### **Overall study start date**

21/04/2006

### **Completion date**

22/02/2010

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Aged 14 to 45 years, female pregnant women
2. Gestational age between 16 and 24 weeks
3. Provide consent form
4. Not having chronic disease
5. Willing to terminate the study and follow study conditions

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Female

**Target number of participants**

406 in each treatment arm (812 in total)

**Key exclusion criteria**

Does not meet inclusion criteria

**Date of first enrolment**

21/04/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

22/02/2010

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Mali

**Study participating centre**

**DNS-Mali**

Bamako

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

National Direction of Health (Mali)

**Sponsor details**

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**Sponsor type**

Government

**Website**

<http://dnsmali.net>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/00j73mn11>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

National Direction of Health (Mali)

## 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	01/08/2011		Yes	No