

# The Warfarin/Aspirin Study in Heart failure

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

**Secondary identifying numbers**  
D15

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

What is the most cost effective anti-thrombotic strategy to reduce mortality in heart failure? The WASH Study

**Acronym**

WASH Study

**Study objectives**

Heart failure is common and causes appreciable morbidity and mortality. It is associated with recurrent myocardial infarcts, strokes, and other thrombo-embolic events. For these reasons anti-thrombotic therapy using aspirin or warfarin is seen as normal clinical practice. However aspirin has a number of side-effects, and warfarin requires regular blood tests, increasing its cost and inconvenience for patients. Thus using these agents should be justified by clinical benefit. The aim of this study was to see if it would be possible to organise a trial of aspirin, warfarin, and no anti-thrombotic treatment.

**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)**

Hospital

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

**Participant information sheet****Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied**

Heart disease

**Interventions**

1. Aspirin
2. Warfarin
3. No anti-thrombotic treatment

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure**

1. Deaths
2. Myocardial infarction
3. Stroke
4. Bleeding episodes
5. Dyspepsia
6. A number of laboratory tests

**Secondary outcome measures**

Not provided at time of registration

**Overall study start date**

01/11/1995

**Completion date**

30/09/1998

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

Patients were being treated for heart failure, and had evidence of ventricular dysfunction to a defined level on echocardiography.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Not Specified

**Sex**

Not Specified

**Target number of participants**

279

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

01/11/1995

**Date of final enrolment**

30/09/1998

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

Record Provided by the NHS R&D 'Time-Limited' National Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

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**Sponsor type**

Government

**Website**

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## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

NHS Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke National Research and Development Programme (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

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	Results	01/07/2004		Yes	No