# Randomised controlled trial of the effects of fish oil emulsion in total parenteral nutrition upon tumour vascularity in patients with hepatic colorectal metastases

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17/01/2006	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
31/07/2006	Completed	[X] Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
18/02/2014	Nutritional, Metabolic, Endocrine	

# Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

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IRAS number

## ClinicalTrials.gov number

NCT00942292

# Secondary identifying numbers

N/A

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## **Study objectives**

The hypothesis is that intravenous feeding supplemented with omega-3 fatty acids will reduce the tumour vascularity as assessed by dynamic contrast-enhanced Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) in patients with hepatic colorectal metastases.

# Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

No ethics approval as of 31/07/2006.

# Study design

Randomised, double-blind, 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

Hepatic colorectal metastases

## **Interventions**

Intravenous feeding for three days either with or without (control) supplementation with omega-3 fatty acids.

## Intervention Type

Drug

#### Phase

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

Omega-3 fatty acids

## Primary outcome measure

To assess the effect of intravenous feeding supplemented with omega-3 fatty acids on tumour vascularity as assessed by dynamic contrast enhanced MRI.

## Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Changes in serum levels of leukotrienes B5 and B4, Tumor Necrosis Factor alpha (TNF-a) and Interleukin 6 (IL-6). These are modulators of the inflammatory response
- 2. Measurements of omega-3 fatty acid levels and ratios in cellular membranes of blood leukocytes (white blood cells)
- 3. Change in vascular endothelial growth factor receptor levels
- 4. Changes in Cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2) activity in patients white blood cells (an enzyme which inhibits cancer cell death)
- 5. Omega-3/omega-6 ratios in subjects platelets and resected tumour

## Overall study start date

01/03/2006

## Completion date

01/08/2006

# **Eligibility**

# Key inclusion criteria

Patients with hepatic colorectal metastases, in whom the disease is assessed as amenable to curative resection will be eligible for the study. The inclusion criteria will be:

- 1. Ages 18-80
- 2. Able to give informed written consent
- 3. Diagnosis of resectable hepatic colorectal metastases on radiological and laparoscopic appearance (this trial is only assessing operative disease)

# Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

## Age group

Adult

## Lower age limit

18 Years

## Upper age limit

80 Years

## Sex

Both

# Target number of participants

20

## Key exclusion criteria

Patients will be excluded from this trial if they have:

- 1. Malignant disease that is not thought to be potentially operable after laparoscopy
- 2. Patients already taking fish oil supplements (may interfere with results)
- 3. Patients already enrolled into other trials (e.g. of chemotherapy)
- 4. Hypersensitivity to fish, egg or soy protein or to any of the active substances or constituents in the lipid emulsion
- 5. Hyperlipidaemia
- 6. Severe blood coagulation disorders
- 7. Severe renal insufficiency (creatinine >200)
- 8. Any general contra-indications to infusion therapy pulmonary oedema, hyperhydration, decompensated cardiac insufficiency
- 9. Any unstable medical conditions uncontrolled diabetes mellitus, acute myocardial infarction, stroke, embolic disease, metabolic acidosis, sepsis, pancreatitis

Patients meeting the above criteria are excluded as they represent inoperable disease, cases where the results would be invalid (already taking fish oil supplements), contraindications to lipid infusion and unstable medical conditions.

Patients will also be excluded if they have any contraindications to MRI scanning:

- 1. Cardiac pacemaker
- 2. Other ferromagnetic metal implants not authorised for use in MRI such as certain types of cerebral aneurysm clips
- 3. Claustrophobia
- 4. Body weight or circumference beyond the MRI scanners capacity

## Date of first enrolment

01/03/2006

#### Date of final enrolment

01/08/2006

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

University Hospitals of Leicester NHS trust (UK)

## Sponsor details

University Hospitals of Leicester Trust Headquarters Gwendolen House Gwendolen Road Leicester England United Kingdom LE5 4PW

## Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/02fha3693

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Industry

## **Funder Name**

BBraun Melsungen AC (Germany)

# **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?

Results article	results	07/05/2013	Yes	No
Results article	results	01/06/2013	Yes	No