A multicentre randomised trial of single dose Radiotherapy compared to Ibandronate for localised metastatic Bone pain

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Plain English summary of protocol

http://cancerhelp.cancerresearchuk.org/trials/a-trial-looking-at-radiotherapy-or-ibandronate-for-pain-caused-by-prostate-cancer-that-has-spread-to-the-bone

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Type(s)

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Acronym

RIB

Study objectives

The current standard treatment for localised metastatic bone pain in the United Kingdom is single dose RadioTherapy (RT). There is also increasing evidence for, and use of, the bisphosphonate class of drugs in this setting. Their activity in bone pain from primary tumours of breast, lung and prostate has been shown in both single arm phase II studies and randomised double blind placebo controlled trials. No direct comparison between any bisphosphonate and RT has been undertaken.

The objective of this trial is to determine whether ibandronate given as a single intravenous infusion of 6 mg can give comparable rates of pain control as a single 8 Gy dose of local RT. 580 eligible patients with localised metastatic bone pain will be randomised to receive either treatment. Patients failing to achieve pain response at four weeks after initial treatment will be offered the alternate treatment arm.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

MREC approved

Study design

Multicentre randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Localised metastatic bone pain

Interventions

There are two trial groups:

Group 1 will be given a single dose of radiotherapy.

Group 2 will be given a single dose of Ibandronate intravenously over one to two hours.

There will be systematic patient reported measurements of pain (which will be measured using a patient-completed pain assessment questionnaire based on the Wisconsin Brief Pain Inventory

and adapted by the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group [RTOG] for bone pain), and quality of life (which will be measured using the Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy [FACIT] scale).

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Phase III

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Ibandronate

Primary outcome(s)

Pain response at 4 and 12 weeks post treatment. Formal definition of response includes pain score and analgesic use to achieve complete or partial response.

Key secondary outcome(s))

Quality of life and bone morbidity events including retreatment for bone pain, pathological fracture and spinal cord compression.

In addition, osteoclast activity will be measured using the urinary markers pyridinoline and deoxypyridinoline, and the relation of changing levels after treatment with response will be explored.

Completion date

31/12/2009

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Histologically or cytologically proven underlying primary malignancy of breast, lung or prostate, or sclerotic bone metastases in a patient presenting with a serum Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) more than 100ng/ml
- 2. Bone metastases confirmed radiologically on plain x-ray, isotope scan, Computed Tomography (CT) or Magnetic Resonance (MR) scan
- 3. Single localised metastatic bone pain receiving optimal analgesics and adjuvant drugs including Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs) unless contraindicated.
- 4. Clinical diagnosis of metastatic bone pain for which radiotherapy is indicated
- 5. Aged over 18 yrs with no upper age limit
- 6. Able to comply with pain chart and quality of life assessments
- 7. Able to give written informed consent.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Predicted life expectancy less than three months
- 2. Bisphosphonate treatment within the last six months
- 3. Any previous treatment that contraindicated radiotherapy or ibandronate or that would interfere with the action of either
- 4. Unfit to receive radiotherapy and ibandronate
- 5. Aspirin sensitive asthma in past medical history
- 6. Pregnancy and lactation

Date of first enrolment

01/04/2003

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2009

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre Mount Vernon Hospital

Northwood United Kingdom HA6 2RN

Sponsor information

Organisation

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK)

ROR

https://ror.org/054225q67

Funder(s)

Funder type

Industry

Funder Name

Cancer Research UK (CRUK((UK)

Alternative Name(s)

CR_UK, Cancer Research UK - London, Cancer Research UK (CRUK), CRUK

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Other non-profit organizations

Location

United Kingdom

Funder Name

Roche (UK) - have committed to providing free ibandronate

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

IPD sharing plan summary

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	04/08/2015		Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes