Magnesium sulphate for the treatment of preeclampsia: a trial to evaluate the effects on women and babies

Submission date	Recruitment status No longer recruiting	Prospectively registered		
25/10/2000		☐ Protocol		
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan		
25/10/2000	Completed	[X] Results		
Last Edited 09/07/2014	Condition category Pregnancy and Childbirth	[] Individual participant data		
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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 G9701680

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

MAGPIE

Study objectives

To determine the effect of magnesium sulphate when used for women with pre-eclampsia on the risk of eclampsia and perinatal death. In addition, to determine the effects of other measures of important morbidity and on use of health services resources.

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

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Pre-eclampsia

Interventions

Magnesium sulphate/placebo.

Follow-up: until discharge following delivery. Four year follow-up of the children is planned.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

- 1. Eclampsia
- 2. Death of the baby.

Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Maternal death
- 2. Serious maternal morbidity
- 3. Labour and delivery outcomes
- 4. Use of maternal health services
- 5. Serious neonatal morbidity
- 6. Use of neonatal health services

Completion date

31/01/2005

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Not delivered, or delivered within the last 24 hours
- 2. Blood pressure today is ≥90 mmHg diastolic or ≥140 mmHg systolic, on at least two occasions
- 3. Proteinuria of at least 1+
- 4. There is clinical uncertainty about whether magnesium sulphate would be beneficial (factors likely to influence this uncertainty are the presence of any of the following: hypereflexia, frontal headache, abnormal liver function or coagulation, and epigastric tenderness)

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

Female

Key exclusion criteria

The woman does not wish to be randomised, for whatever reason/the attending clinician believes magnesium sulphate should either be given or withheld/hypersensitivity to magnesium /renal failure (women who have renal impairment may be randomised, but the volume of allocated treatment should be halved for each dose)/hepatic coma if risk of renal failure /myaesthenia gravis.

Date of first enrolment

01/01/1998

Date of final enrolment

31/01/2005

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Albania

Argentina

Australia

Bangladesh

Egypt			
Ghana			
India			
Malawi			
Nigeria			
Pakistan			
Sierra Leone			
Singapore			
South Africa			
United States of America			
Zimbabwe			

Brazil

Cuba

Colombia

Sponsor information

Study participating centre

MAGPIE Trial Co-ordinating Centre

Organisation

Oxford

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United Kingdom

Medical Research Council (MRC) (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type

Research council

Funder Name

Medical Research Council (MRC) (UK)

Alternative Name(s)

Medical Research Council (United Kingdom), UK Medical Research Council, MRC

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

National government

Location

United Kingdom

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?
Results article	results	01/06/2002	Yes	No
Results article	results	08/03/2004	Yes	No
Results article	results	01/03/2007	Yes	No
Results article	results	14/04/2009	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025 11/11/2025	No	Yes