

# Effects of calcium fructoborate on markers of subclinical atherosclerosis

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## Plain English summary of protocol

### Background and study aims

Previous clinical studies have shown the anti-inflammatory and antioxidant characteristics of calcium fructoborate and suggest that this compound supports cardiovascular (heart) health. In particular, calcium fructoborate has been shown to lower CRP in patients with symptoms of osteoarthritis and stable angina pectoris. Further research suggests calcium fructoborate may lower blood levels of LDL-cholesterol and raise blood levels of HDL-cholesterol. The aim of our study is to assess the effects of FruiteX-B® Calcium Fructoborate on markers of subclinical atherosclerosis in a healthy population.

### Who can participate?

This trial will include healthy men and women, age 40-60.

### What does the study involve?

The study will take 30 days and participants will be randomly divided into two groups: one group will receive FruiteX-B® Calcium Fructoborate and the other group will be given a placebo (dummy drug). At the end of the study, we will compare the results of the blood clinical laboratory tests between the groups of participants.

### What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

The immediate benefit may be the reduction of inflammation and lipid markers. In the long term, the participants quality of life may be improved. There are no known risks of the study.

### Where is the study run from?

Natural Research, Ltd. and the University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Craiova, Romania.

### When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

It is anticipated that recruitment will start mid 2012 and the trial will last for about 6 months.

### Who is funding the study?

Natural Research, Ltd. and the University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Craiova, Romania.

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ClinicalTrials.gov number

**Secondary identifying numbers**

Research Project no.14/2012

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

Effects of calcium fructoborate alone on markers of subclinical atherosclerosis in a healthy population

**Study objectives**

The purpose of this study is to assess the effects of FruiteX-B® Calcium Fructoborate alone on markers of subclinical atherosclerosis in a healthy population.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Institutional Ethics Committee of the University of Medicine and Pharmacy from Craiova, Romania, 03/05/2012, ref: 431

**Study design**

Randomised double-blind placebo-controlled single-centre 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 use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

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

Subclinical atherosclerosis in a healthy population

**Interventions**

Clinical study of FruitexB-X® mg versus placebo.

Study duration: 30 days, two doses per day.

Four time points: day 1, 4, 7, and 30

Placebo-controlled, double-blind study

Placebo material: 103 mg of fructose (the amount of fructose equivalent to what would be present in a 112 mg serving of FruiteX-B)

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Primary outcome measure**

Blood clinical laboratory tests:

1. Fasting plasma glucose
2. Total, LDL and HDL cholesterol, triglycerides
3. High-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hs-CRP)
4. Metallic metalloproteinase-9 (MMP-9)
5. Monocyte chemotactic protein 1 (MCP-1)
6. Lipoprotein-associated phospholipase A(2) (Lp-PLA(2))
7. IL-6
8. Homocysteine
9. oxLDL

10. Vitamin D3 (Calcidiol)
11. Adiponectin
12. Insulin
13. PON-1
14. Isoprostanes

### **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Clinical exam
2. 12-lead ECG
3. Ankle-brachial index

### **Overall study start date**

30/06/2012

### **Completion date**

30/12/2012

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Male or female patients aged 40-60
2. Gender ratio: 50% females and 50% males
3. BMI range: 24-27 (overweight but not obese)
4. Normal or minor hypertension (<140/80-90)
5. Increased level of blood CRP (>3 mg/l)
6. Increased LDL (>130)
7. Increased triglyceride level (>200)
8. Reduced HDL level (<40)
9. Fasted glucose level (<100)
10. Informed consent obtained at selection

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

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Sex**

Both

### **Target number of participants**

150 healthy subjects; 100 on active therapy (FruiteX-B® at two separate daily serving sizes: 56 mg (28 mg twice daily) and 112 mg (56 mg twice daily), 50 on placebo

### **Key exclusion criteria**

Subjects with nonphysiological and pathological conditions such as:

1. Cardiovascular (CV) symptoms (e.g., angina, shortness of breath, etc)
2. CV disease
3. Diabetes mellitus or renal failure
4. Infectious or inflammatory disease

- 5. Active allergy
- 6. Smokers
- 7. Subjects who consume more than two alcoholic beverages per day
- 8. Subjects using any supplements 30 days prior to the initiation of the study
- 9. Subjects using statins, anti-hypertensive, anti-hyperlipidemia, anti-inflammatory, or anti-diabetic medications

**Date of first enrolment**

30/06/2012

**Date of final enrolment**

30/12/2012

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Romania

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# Funder(s)

## Funder type

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## Funder Name

Natural Research Ltd (Romania), ref: 14/2012

## Funder Name

University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Craiova (Romania)

# 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	01/02/2015	18/01/2019	Yes	No