

Simvastatin in community-acquired pneumonia

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

Simvastatin in community-acquired pneumonia requiring hospitalisation: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

Study objectives

Simvastatin would be effective and safe to reduce time to clinical stability in patients with community-acquired pneumonia (CAP) requiring hospitalisation.

As of 03/02/2010 this record has been updated to reflect a change to the anticipated start and end dates of this trial; the initial trial dates were as follows:

Initial anticipated start date: 01/03/2009

Initial anticipated end date: 31/03/2011

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ethics Committee of the Hospital Universitari de Bellvitge (Comité Ètic d'Investigació Clínica) gave approval on 11th December 2008 (ref: AC099/08)

Study design

Randomised double-blind placebo-controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Community-acquired pneumonia

Interventions

Patients will be randomly assigned to receive simvastatin (20 mg/day) or placebo, that will be orally administered before the antibiotics in the Emergency Department and once daily thereafter for a total of 4 days.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Phase II

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Simvastatin

Primary outcome(s)

Time to clinical stability. Clinical stability will be measured daily during hospitalisation.

Key secondary outcome(s)

Determined at presentation in the Emergency Department before receiving simvastatin or placebo, and 48 hours after treatment administration:

1. Partial pressure of oxygen in the arterial blood (PaO₂)/fraction of inspired oxygen (FiO₂)
2. C-reactive protein
3. Tumour necrosis factor

4. Interleukin-6
5. Interleukin-10
6. Procalcitonin

Recorded from randomisation to 30 days (except in-hospital complications):

7. Need for intensive care unit (ICU) admission
8. Need for mechanical ventilation
9. In-hospital complications, measured throughout period of hospitalisation
10. Readmission (less than 30 days)
11. Early case-fatality rate (less than 48 hours)
12. Overall case-fatality rate (less than 30 days)

Completion date

31/12/2011

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

1. Immunocompetent adults (aged greater than 18 years, either sex)
2. Received a diagnosis of community-acquired pneumonia in the Emergency Department
3. Admitted to the hospital

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

1. Absence of written informed consent
2. Severe immunosuppression
3. Pregnancy
4. Not able to drink and eat
5. Prior statin therapy
6. Treatment with any of the following drugs: azoles, macrolides, amiodarone, antidepressant drugs and calcium channel blockers

Date of first enrolment

01/12/2009

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2011

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Spain

Study participating centre

Infectious Disease Department

Barcelona

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Sponsor information

Organisation

The Carlos III Health Institute (Instituto de Salud Carlos III) (Spain)

ROR

<https://ror.org/00ca2c886>

Funder(s)

Funder type

Research organisation

Funder Name

The Carlos III Health Institute (Instituto de Salud Carlos III) (Spain)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type

Details
results

Date created Date added Peer reviewed? Patient-facing?

[Results article](#)

06/01/2015

Yes

No

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Participant information sheet

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Yes