

# Dengue infection in adults and children in Hanoi: a descriptive clinical and immunological study

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24/07/2008

**Recruitment status**  
No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☐ Protocol

**Registration date**  
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**Overall study status**  
Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☐ Results

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**Condition category**  
Infections and Infestations

☐ Individual participant data

☐ Record updated in last year

## 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

CTU04DXAPR08

## Study information

### Scientific Title

## **Study objectives**

We hypothesise that factors other than enhancing antibody level affect viral load and dengue severity. To identify such factors we will focus on patients with symptomatic primary dengue who by definition lack pre-existing dengue antibodies.

## **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

## **Ethics approval(s)**

1. The Oxford Tropical Medicine Research Ethics Committee (OXTREC) (UK) gave approval on the 25th June 2008 (ref: 26/08)
2. Pending as of 25/07/2008 from the NIITD Ethical Committee (Viet Nam)

## **Study design**

Observational descriptive study

## **Primary study design**

Observational

## **Study type(s)**

Screening

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

Dengue fever

## **Interventions**

Because dengue is seasonal, most of the dengue patients will be recruited over a period of some 6 months, from May to September. During this time, patients will be recruited and then followed up. If some patients have a persistent abnormality that may be dengue related, e.g. evidence of reduced cardiac function, they will be followed up until either their abnormality stabilises or for at least one year. Depending on recruitment, the study may be extended to cover a second dengue season.

Descriptive analyses of the endpoints will consist of proportions for categorical data and means (SD, 95% CIs) and/or median (inter-quartile and full ranges) for continuous data supplemented by graphical displays where relevant. Simple correlations (Pearson's correlation coefficient or Spearman's rho) will be made between continuous data, e.g. cytokine and complement concentrations. Comparative analyses will be between:

1. Patients who develop severe dengue (DHF/DSS) versus those who do not, and
2. Patients with 10 and 20 infections

For categorical data, the comparisons will be by chi squared. For continuous data, the student's 't' test for normally distributed data or Mann Whitney U tests for skewed data.

Other analyses:

1. Full blood count, differential white cell count
2. Clotting studies - prothrombin time (PT), activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT), fibrinogen and d-dimers. Antithrombin III, protein C and S may be done later on stored plasma.
3. Sodium, potassium, urea, creatinine, glucose, aspartate aminotransferase (AST), alanine aminotransferase (ALT), lactate dehydrogenase (LDH), total creatine kinase (CK), creatine kinase myocardial bands (CKmb) fraction, cardiac troponins, total bilirubin, total protein, albumin

4. Quantitative protein electrophoresis
5. Urine analysis
6. Radiology
7. Electrocardiograms (ECGs)
8. Echocardiograms (ECHO)
9. Spirometry (for lung function)
10. Virology studies

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Specified

## **Primary outcome(s)**

1. Proportions of patients with 10 (Immunoglobulin M and Immunoglobulin G ratio [IgM:IgG] greater than or equal to 1.8:1) or 20 (IgM:IgG ratio less than 1.8:1) infections\*
2. Proportions of patients who develop severe dengue (DHF/DSS)

\* as noted in section 4.3 of the protocol; these definitions may change

As it is a descriptive study the data will be analysed once all data have been collected. There are no timepoints for interim analyses.

## **Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. The ECG abnormalities of rate, rhythm and ECG intervals (PR, QRS, QT)
2. Cardiac function (echocardiogram) - ejection fraction (%), cardiac index (L/min/m<sup>2</sup>) and rate corrected velocity of circumferential ventricular fibre shortening adjusted for left ventricular wall stress (kilodyne/cm<sup>2</sup>)
3. Lung volumes: forced vital capacity (FVC) in litres, forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1) in litres/s, and the FEV1/FVC ratio
4. The proportions of patients with pleural effusions and ascites
5. Dengue viral load at baseline and over time
6. NS1 concentration at baseline and over time
7. Cytokine, complement and anti-dengue neutralising antibody concentrations at baseline and over time
8. Fractional clearances of albumin and other plasma proteins

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## **Completion date**

30/01/2009

# **Eligibility**

## **Key inclusion criteria**

1. A patient of any age, including pregnant women, with suspected dengue infection using the World Health Organization (WHO) criteria below:
  - 1.1. History of fever and two or more of the following:
    - 1.1.1. Headache

- 1.1.2. Retro-orbital pain
- 1.1.3. Myalgia
- 1.1.4. Arthralgia
- 1.1.5. Rash
- 1.1.6. Haemorrhagic manifestation
- 1.1.7. Leukopaenia
- 2. Informed consent signed by the patient or parent/guardian

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Other

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

Does not comply with the above inclusion criteria.

**Date of first enrolment**

01/08/2008

**Date of final enrolment**

30/01/2009

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Viet Nam

**Study participating centre**

Oxford University Clinical Research Unit

Hanoi

Viet Nam

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

University of Oxford (UK)

ROR

<https://ror.org/052gg0110>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Charity

### Funder Name

The Wellcome Trust (UK) (grant ref: 077078)

## 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?
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes