# Does the ALDOsterone:RENin ratio predict the efficacy of spironolactone over bendroflumethiazide in hypertension?

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# Plain English summary of protocol

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**Protocol serial number** N/A

# Study information

Scientific Title

Does the ALDOsterone:RENin ratio predict the efficacy of spironolactone over bendroflumethiazide in hypertension?

#### Acronym

**RENALDO** 

## **Study objectives**

Primary objective:

To test the hypothesis that the aldosterone:renin ratio predicts the antihypertensive response to spironolactone, specifically that the effect of spironolactone 50 mg is greater than that of bendroflumethiazide 2.5 mg in hypertensive subjects with high aldosterone:renin ratios.

Secondary objectives: to determine whether -

- 1. Bendroflumethiazide induces adverse metabolic abnormalities, especially in subjects with high aldosterone:renin ratios
- 2. Baseline renin measurement predicts the antihypertensive response to spironolactone and/or bendroflumethiazide

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

The main study and sub-studies have ethical approval from Tayside Committee on Medical Research Ethics and West Ethics Committee on the 20th June 2002 (ref: 2006/01).

#### Study design

A double-blind, randomised, crossover, controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

# Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Hypertension/cardiovascular diseases

#### **Interventions**

120 hypertensive subjects are randomised to 12 weeks treatment with spironolactone 50 mg once daily and 12 weeks treatment with bendroflumethiazide 2.5 mg once daily. The two treatment periods are separated by a two-week washout period.

Investigators and subjects do not know the order of the treatment periods, which is according to a computer generated randomisation list. Randomisation is stratified by aldosterone:renin ratio to include equal numbers of subjects with high and low aldosterone:renin ratios. This is necessary as in an unselected population, only 15% of subjects will have an aldosterone:renin ratio greater than 750.

## Intervention Type

Drug

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

## Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Spironolactone, bendroflumethiazide

#### Primary outcome(s)

The primary endpoint is the difference in mean 24-hour blood ambulatory pressure recorded at the end of each 12-week treatment period.

#### Key secondary outcome(s))

Secondary endpoints include the differences between the following measurements taken at the end of each 12-week treatment period:

- 1. Mean daytime ambulatory blood pressure
- 2. Mean night time ambulatory blood pressure
- 3. Mean clinic blood pressure defined as mean of mean clinic BPs on both penultimate and final days of treatment periods
- 4. Clinical biochemistry measurements of plasma potassium (K+), magnesium (Mg2+), creatinine, triglycerides, cholesterol and High Density Lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol

### Completion date

01/02/2006

# **Eligibility**

## Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Mild-to-moderate hypertension with daytime mean Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring (ABPM) systolic Blood Pressure (BP) greater than 140 mmHg
- 2. Either untreated or on stable treatment for at least two weeks
- 3. Either:
- a. aldosterone:renin ratio greater than 750 and plasma aldosterone greater than 250 pmol/l, or
- b. aldosterone:renin ratio less than 300 and plasma renin activity less than 10 ng/ml/h
- 4. No clinically significant abnormalities on screening laboratory results
- 5. Written informed consent

## Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

# Healthy volunteers allowed

No

# Age group

**Not Specified** 

#### Sex

Not Specified

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Females of child-bearing potential not using reliable contraception
- 2. Subjects on more than four classes of anti-hypertensive drugs at screening

- 3. Secondary hypertension other than hyperaldosteronism
- 4. Addisons disease
- 5. Severe or malignant hypertension
- 6. Subjects who take and are unable to discontinue taking a thiazide diuretic or potassium sparing diuretic
- 7. Serum potassium less than 3.3 or greater than 5 mmol/l two weeks after discontinuing diuretics
- 8. Serum creatinine greater than 160 µmol/l
- 9. Subjects intolerant of spironolactone or thiazide diuretics
- 10. Subjects who have taken spironolactone or potassium canrenoate in the previous three months
- 11. Previous Myocardial Infarction (MI) or Cardiovascular Accident (CVA)
- 12. Chronic Heart Failure (CHF)
- 13. Any condition that would:
- a. interfere with the ability to provide informed consent
- b. place at increased risk
- c. confound interpretation of results

### Date of first enrolment

01/08/2002

#### Date of final enrolment

01/02/2006

# Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

**United Kingdom** 

Scotland

# Study participating centre

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# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Ninewells Hospital & Medical School (UK)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/039c6rk82

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Government

#### Funder Name

Chief Scientist Office, Scottish Executive Health Department (UK) (ref: BA-01-25)

# **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	01/01/2010		Yes	No
Protocol article	protocol	09/05/2007		Yes	No