Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) in patients with impaired vision due to diabetic Retinopathy and concurrent Obstructive Sleep Apnoea (OSA): ROSA trial

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17/05/2012	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol		
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		[X] Results		
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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Obstructive Sleep Apnoea (OSA) is a common disorder of breathing during sleep. In this condition there are frequent but brief episodes of obstruction to the upper airway. This causes episodes where breathing slows or stops, followed by a fall in the bodys oxygen level, rise in blood pressure, and a slight wakening of the person. This can happen hundreds of times a night. The most common symptom from OSA is tiredness during the day due to poor quality sleep, but many people have no symptoms. Patients with OSA are treated with continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) at night to prevent airway obstruction, which stops the change to oxygen levels, blood pressure, and sleep disturbance. OSA is more common in people with type 2 diabetes compared to non-diabetics, and those people with type 2 diabetes and OSA are more likely to have worse diabetic eye disease. It is currently not clear why this is. In a recent small study where CPAP was used in these people in addition to standard treatment from their eye hospitals, there was an improvement in eye sight after six months treatment, if they had used the CPAP regularly. This larger study aims to establish whether giving CPAP treatment to adults with obstructive sleep apnoea, type 2 diabetes, and established diabetic retinopathy, really can improve their vision.

Who can participate?

Patients with type 2 diabetes and related retinopathy

What does the study involve?

Before being entered into the study, consenting patients are screened for obstructive sleep apnoea by having a simple overnight sleep study done at their home. Patients suitable for the study then meet the study team. The study lasts for 12 months. During this time patients are seen 4 or 5 times. At each visit visual acuity (clarity or clearness of vision) is measured, retinal images are taken, quality of life questionnaires are completed, and blood tests are performed. Each visit is likely to take about an hour. After the initial visit, patients are randomly allocated into one of two groups. Group A are provided with CPAP therapy for a year in addition to the

existing medical treatment. Group B receive no CPAP therapy and no change to the current medical treatment.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

This study is being performed to investigate whether CPAP treatment in this setting is beneficial or not. Currently the answer to this is not known. Worldwide, thousands of people use CPAP for the treatment of OSA. It is a very well tolerated treatment without any serious side effects. Minor problems with this include nasal congestion, or discomfort from a poorly fitted mask.

Where is the study run from?

The study is being co-ordinated from the Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, but involves patients being seen in the Eye Hospital they are already known to.

When is study starting and how long is it expected to run for? August 2012 to January 2017

Who is funding the study? The ResMed Foundation (USA)

Who are the main contacts?

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EudraCT/CTIS number

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Secondary identifying numbers

Study information

Scientific Title

A randomised controlled trial of continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) in patients with impaired vision due to diabetic Retinopathy and concurrent Obstructive Sleep Apnoea (OSA): ROSA trial

Acronym

ROSA

Study objectives

Diabetic individuals are significantly more likely to have obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA) compared to the background population, independent of their body mass index (BMI). Individuals with diabetes and OSA are also more likely to develop severe diabetic retinopathy. Untreated OSA is associated with frequent surges in blood pressure and dips in arterial oxygenation during sleep, which may be a significant uncontrolled factor involved in the progression of diabetic retinopathy. A small initial trial treating these patients with continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) improved vision at 6 months. This randomised controlled trial (RCT) aims to investigate whether CPAP treatment in individuals with diabetic retinopathy and concurrent OSA does improve vision.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Multicentre randomised controlled 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 to request a patient information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Obstructive sleep apnoea and visual impairment due to diabetic retinopathy

Interventions

Patients randomised to receive continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) treatment with standard ophthalmology care, or only standard ophthalmology care.

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Primary outcome measure

Best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) with the study eye at 12 months (LogMAR with refraction, 4 metre Early Treatment of Diabetic Retinopathy Study protocol [ETDRS])

Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) with the study eye at 6 months (LogMAR with refraction, 4 metre ETDRS)
- 2. Optical coherence tomography (OCT) central macular thickness in the study eye at 12 months (central 1mm average of radial line scans)
- 3. Number of ocular interventions for the study eye over 12 months (such as laser photocoagulation or intraocular injections of anti-VEGF)
- 4. Progression of diabetic retinopathy in the study eye at 12 months (assessed through retinal photography)
- 5. CPAP usage (hours/night)

Overall study start date

01/08/2012

Completion date

31/01/2017

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Current inclusion criteria as of 08/02/2013:

- 1. Type II diabetes mellitus (diagnosed on standard criteria), on diet, exercise and/or drug/insulin treatment
- 2. Visual impairment in at least one eye due to diabetes
- 3. Best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) \geq 39 and \leq 78 letters in at least one eye (using Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study protocol (ETDRS) at a testing distance of 4 meters)
- 4. Residual vision in one or both eyes
- 5. Macular oedema in the visually impaired eye(s)
- 6. 4% ODI ≥ 20/hour on the screening study
- 7. Aged ≥30 to ≤85
- 8. Patient willing to have nasal CPAP treatment

Previous inclusion criteria until 08/02/2013:

- 1. Type II diabetes mellitus (diagnosed on standard criteria), on diet, exercise and/or drug/insulin treatment
- 2. Visual impairment in at least one eye due to diabetes
- 3. Best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) \geq 39 and \leq 78 letters in at least one eye (using Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study protocol (ETDRS) at a testing distance of 4 meters)
- 4. Residual vision in one or both eyes

- 5. Macular oedema in the visually impaired eye(s)
- 6. Diagnosis of macular oedema within last 5 years
- 7. 4% ODI \geq 20/hour on the screening study
- 8. Aged ≥30 to ≤85
- 9. Patient willing to have nasal CPAP treatment

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

150 patients will be randomised into the trial, to achieve this it is estimated 600 patients will need to be screened

Total final enrolment

131

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Type 1 diabetes mellitus
- 2. Previous treatment with CPAP or non-invasive ventilation for OSA
- 3. Any severe complication of OSA syndrome requiring CPAP
- 4. Substantial problems with sleepiness, for example while driving
- 5. Respiratory failure (awake resting arterial oxygen saturation <93%)
- 6. Cataract affecting vision such that fundal assessment at baseline on slit lamp/photography is inadequate
- 7. Previous ophthalmological intervention rendering visual improvement in at least one eye very unlikely, as assessed by recruiting ophthalmologist
- 8. Mental or physical disability precluding informed consent or compliance with the protocol for the duration of the study

Date of first enrolment

23/10/2012

Date of final enrolment

31/01/2016

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

Northern Ireland

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Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

ROR

https://ror.org/05p40t847

Funder(s)

Funder type

Charity

Funder Name

ResMed Foundation

Alternative Name(s)

The ResMed Foundation, Resmed Foundation Ltd, Resmed Foundation Limited

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

Location

United States of America

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Submit data to American Thoracic Society by November 2017 for dissemination at ATS conference May 2018. Planned publication in a high-impact peer reviewed journal. Intention to publish date - early 2018.

Intention to publish date

31/01/2018

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The datasets generated and/or analysed during the current study during this study will be included in the subsequent results publication.

IPD sharing plan summary

Other

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article		25/10/2018	01/10/2020	Yes	No