Multicentre prospective randomised clinical trial to compare the safety and efficacy of outpatient treatment with oral amoxicillin with that of injectable ampicillin in children aged 3 to 59 months: APPIS II Randomised Controlled Trial (RCT), Pakistan

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
31/03/2006	No longer recruiting	Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
31/03/2006	Completed	[X] Results
Last Edited	Condition category	[] Individual participant data
15/01/2008	Respiratory	

Plain English summary of protocolNot provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

NCT00227331

Secondary identifying numbers

RPC116

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

APPIS II

Study objectives

The proportion of children aged 3 to 59 months with World Health Organization (WHO) defined severe pneumonia who fail treatment in the oral amoxicillin group will not be greater than the proportion of those who fail in the parenteral ampicillin group.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Approval received from:

- 1. Local ethics board on the 2nd December 2004
- 2. WHO Ethics Research Committee (ERC) on the 23rd March 2005

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Treatment

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

World Health Organization (WHO) defined severe pneumonia

Interventions

- 1. Parenteral Ampicillin for 2 days then sent home on oral amoxicillin for 3 days
- 2. Oral Amoxicillin for 5 days

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Amoxicillin, ampicillin

Primary outcome measure

- 1. Clinical deterioration occurring any time after enrolment
- 2. Inability to take oral medication due to persisting vomiting as assessed by study physician
- 3. Change or addition of antibiotics

Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Treatment failure between day 6 and 14
- 2. Clinical deterioration (development of danger signs) between day 6 and 14
- 3. Development of lower chest indrawing or fast breathing, which is non responsive to three trials of nebulisation with bronchodilator between day 6 and 14

Overall study start date

24/02/2005

Completion date

31/08/2008

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Children aged 3 to 59 months with severe pneumonia. Severe pneumonia is defined as Lower Chest Indrawing (LCI) in children with cough and/or difficult breathing, who are able to drink and do not have central cyanosis, regardless of the respiratory rate
- 2. Known Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infected patients in clinical category N or A (Centers for Disease Control [CDC]) will be included
- 3. Informed consent by a legal guardian

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

3 Months

Upper age limit

59 Months

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

2100

Key exclusion criteria

Children with any of the following conditions will be excluded:

- 1. Very severe pneumonia/disease
- 2. Known prior episodes of asthma or three or more prior episodes of wheezing
- 3. LCI that resolves after three doses of bronchodilator therapy
- 4. Severe malnutrition (visible severe wasting or oedema)
- 5. Known anaphylactic reaction to penicillin or amoxicillin
- 6. Hospitalisation in the last two weeks
- 7. Other diseases requiring antibiotic therapy at presentation, such as meningitis, dysentery, osteomyelitis, septic arthritis, evident tuberculosis etc.
- 8. Persistent vomiting
- 9. Previous inclusion in the study
- 10. Living outside a pre-defined area
- 11. Parental or caretaker refusal to participate in the study

Date of first enrolment

24/02/2005

Date of final enrolment

31/08/2008

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Pakistan

Switzerland

Study participating centre World Health Organization

Geneva-27 Switzerland CH 1211

Sponsor information

Organisation

The Department of Child and Adolescent Health (CAH)/World Health Organization (WHO) (Switzerland)

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Sponsor type

Research organisation

Website

http://www.who.int

ROR

https://ror.org/01f80g185

Funder(s)

Funder type

Research organisation

Funder Name

The Department of Child and Adolescent Health (CAH)/World Health Organization (WHO) (Switzerland)

Funder Name

US Agency for International Development (USAID) (USA)

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 typeDetailsDate createdDate addedPeer reviewed?Patient-facing?Results articleResults05/01/2008YesNo