

Multicentre study of early Epilepsy and Single Seizures

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Plain English summary of protocol
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G9125371

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

MESS

Study objectives

1. To compare seizure recurrence rates associated with policies of immediate or delayed antiepileptic drug therapy in patients with single seizures and early epilepsy using a pragmatic randomized parallel group design.
2. To identify factors of prognostic importance in the recurrence of seizures in the early course of epilepsy
3. To examine the psychosocial outcome of the two randomized policies

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)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Treatment

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Epilepsy

Interventions

Immediate/delayed antiepileptic drug therapy

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome measure

Time to first seizure, time to remission, patient perceived quality of life

Secondary outcome measures

Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date

01/01/1993

Completion date

31/12/2002

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

1. An adequately documented recent history of one or more clinically definite spontaneous unprovoked epileptic seizures
2. Clinician is uncertain whether to treat or not

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

1800

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

01/01/1993

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2002

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

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Research council

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Funder(s)

Funder type

Research council

Funder Name

Medical Research Council

Alternative Name(s)

Medical Research Council (United Kingdom), UK Medical Research Council, MRC

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

National government

Location

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 type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	01/06/2005		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/04/2006		Yes	No
Results article	results	28/11/2006		Yes	No
Results article	results	07/12/2010		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/08/2012		Yes	No