# Assessment of growth and body composition in preterm infants in relation to two different protein intakes: a randomised controlled trial

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS** number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers N/A

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

### Study objectives

The goal is to evaluate the safety and the effects on neonatal growth and body composition of two distinct strategies (intervention and control) for parenteral nutrition.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the Ethical Committee FONDAZIONE IRCCS Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Mangiagalli Regina Elena on the 24th March 2006.

#### Study design

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 below to request a patient information sheet

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

Preterm infant nutrition and body composition

#### **Interventions**

To detect a difference of 3.0 g/kg per day in weight gain between the two treatment groups (a = 0.25; power = 80%, assuming SD = 2.0 g/kg per day), 9 patients are required for each group.

Preterm infants will be randomised to receive two different schedules of NPT: high or low protein intake for two weeks. The high protein intake consists of at maximum 3.5 g/Kg/d starting from 2.5 g/Kg/d and the low protein intake consists of 2.5 g/Kg/d starting from 1.5 g/Kg/d.

## Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

#### Primary outcome measure

Safety/tolerance:

- 1. Haemo-gas analysis twice a week for the first 15 days
- 2. Blood urea nitrogen and serum ammonium on the 1st day of life, on the 4th/5th, on the 7th /8th and 15th day of life
- 3. Blood amino acid profile on the 1st day of life (before starting NPT) and on the 4th/5th and 15th day of life

## Secondary outcome measures

Efficacy:

- 1. Body composition (assessed by means of deuterium and air plethismography-Pea Pod) at birth, at 15 days of life and at 36 weeks of post-conceptional age
- 2. Growth (weight assessed daily, length and head circumference assessed weekly)
- 3. Anabolism assessed by means of nitrogen balance on 2nd, 5th, and 8th day of life
- 4. Blood amino acid profile on the 1st day of life (before starting NPT) and on the 4th/5th and 15th day of life

## Overall study start date

01/09/2008

## Completion date

01/06/2009

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Birth weight between 1000 and 1500 g
- 2. Being male
- 3. Being adequate for gestational age (birth weight greater than or equal to 10th percentile according to the Babson and Benda's chart updated)
- 4. Need for oxygen (O2) less than 40% within the first 72 hours

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Age group

Neonate

#### Sex

Male

## Target number of participants

9 patients per group (18 in total)

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Starting parenteral nutrition (NPT) after the first 24 hours of life
- 2. Chromosomal abnormalities
- 3. Metabolic disease

- 4. Congenital infections (toxoplasmosis, rubella, cytomegalovirus, herpes simplex and human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] [TORCH])
- 5. Score of severity of clinical conditions at birth (CRIBB) greater than 4

#### Date of first enrolment

01/09/2008

#### Date of final enrolment

01/06/2009

## Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

Italy

# Study participating centre

Via Commenda 12

Milano Italy

20122

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Institute of Paediatrics and Neonatology (Italy)

#### Sponsor details

University Medical School of Milan Via Commenda 12 Milano Italy 2012

#### Sponsor type

Research organisation

#### Website

http://www.mangiagalli.it

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/00wjc7c48

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

#### Funder Name

Fondazione IRCCS Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Mangiagalli Regina Elena (Italy)

## **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

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