

# Influence of treatment adherence to clopidogrel on platelet aggregation in subjects carrying coronary stent

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**Protocol serial number**  
N/A

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

Influence of treatment adherence to clopidogrel on platelet aggregation in subjects carrying coronary stent: an interventional single centre randomised double-blinded open label trial with three parallel arms

## **Acronym**

Eurostar

## **Study objectives**

The analysis of therapeutic adherence finds a particularly interesting application in the specific case of clopidogrel, an anti-platelet drug, cornerstone in association with aspirin in the treatment of patients undergoing percutaneous coronary interventions. However, the evidence that some patients persist with enhanced platelet reactivity despite treatment with clopidogrel suggest that individual responsiveness to clopidogrel is not uniform and is subject to inter- and intra-individual variability.

Notably, there is a growing degree of evidence that a poor biological response to clopidogrel is associated with the recurrence of cardiovascular ischaemic events. Therefore, the identification of patients "non-responders" constitutes a major therapeutic challenge. To prove lack of efficacy of clopidogrel in a particular patient, we must previously ensure that the drug was administered correctly by answering a key question: Is the patient really a "non-responder" or rather a "non-adherent" to treatment?

The monitoring of treatment adherence by an electronic control device called MEMS® (Medication Event Monitoring System; AARDEX, Zug, Switzerland) is presently considered the most accurate and sensitive approach to get full information on drug intake. The MEMS® consists in a usual bulk pill container fitted with a special cap, which contains a microelectronic system that automatically records the date and hour of each opening of the bottle.

For therapeutic study purpose, the MEMS® can be utilised in an "usual care" setting (blinding of investigator, physician and patient for adherence results) or in a classical "integrated care" setting (regular individual drug adherence results reporting and discussion).

Several methods have been used to assess in vitro clopidogrel-induced anti-platelet effects. Flow cytometric assessment of VASP-P (VASP assay) is a marker of P2Y<sub>12</sub> receptor reactivity, thus specific of clopidogrel-induced inhibition. A reduced P2Y<sub>12</sub> reactivity ratio is indicative of more enhanced clopidogrel-induced inhibition.

## **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

## **Ethics approval(s)**

This study was presented to the Commission cantonale (VD) d'éthique de la recherche sur l'être humain in Switzerland, and approved on the 12th March 2010 (ref: 56/10 EUROSTAR)

## **Study design**

Interventional single centre randomised double-blinded open label trial with three parallel arms

## **Primary study design**

Interventional

## **Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Coronary stenting

## Interventions

Group 1: standard care 6 month follow-up, without electronic pillbox. Total visits: 3.

Group 2: 6 months follow-up with double blinded electronic pillbox (MEMS®), usual care, without feed-back on adherence results. Total visits: 3.

Group 3: 6 months follow up with electronic pillbox (MEMS®), integrated care, with motivational feed-back on adherence results. Total visits: 5.

For each group, a follow-up of the cardiologic events will be made at 12, 24 and 36 months by phone.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Not Applicable

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

Clopidogrel

## Primary outcome(s)

Platelets aggregation (determined by the VASP assay, as index of platelet reactivity) at 6 months

## Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Incidence of cardiovascular events, including: acute non-lethal myocardial infarction, stent thrombosis, cardiovascular mortality
2. Incidence of hemorrhagic complications
3. Drug adherence to clopidogrel using the MEMS® on a 6 months period. The adherence will be measured by 4 parameters: percentage of doses taken, taking adherence, percentage of drug holidays, persistence.
4. Influence of the CYP2C19 polymorphism on aggregation studies in the long term follow-up of patients after coronary stent implantation

## Completion date

01/10/2015

## Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

1. Adult patients greater than 18 years, either sex
2. Treated with clopidogrel (Plavix®) for greater than 6 months after coronary stent implantation (indication: stable/unstable angina or non-invasive functional test positive for myocardial ischaemia ) in the interventional cardiology department

## Participant type(s)

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Sex**

All

**Total final enrolment**

120

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Heart failure classification according to New York Heart Association (NYHA) class III or IV
2. ST and non-ST elevation myocardial infarction (less than 1 month)
3. Platelets less than 100,000/l
4. Inflammatory diseases requiring prednisone treatment
5. Medical history of:
  - 5.1. Acute or chronic thrombocytopenia
  - 5.2. Ticlopidine allergy
  - 5.3. Active gastric ulcer (less than 2 months)
  - 5.4. Cerebral hemorrhage (less than 6 months)
  - 5.5. Uncontrolled hypertension greater than or equal to 180/110 mmHg
  - 5.6. Liver Insufficiency CHILD-score greater than or equal to 1
  - 5.7. Bleeding diathesis
  - 5.8. Pregnancy, breast feeding
  - 5.9. Associated drug therapy with CYP2C19 inhibitors

**Date of first enrolment**

01/04/2010

**Date of final enrolment**

01/10/2015

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Switzerland

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# Sponsor information

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### Funder type

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### Funder Name

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### Funder Name

Pharmionic Systems Ltd (Switzerland)

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	25/10/2017	15/10/2020	Yes	No