

A randomised controlled trial of the effect of angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors on pulmonary regurgitation, biventricular volume, mass and function, integrated cardiopulmonary exercise and cardiac autonomic reflexes late after Tetralogy of Fallot repair. The APPROPRIATE study (Ace inhibitors for PRevention Of Pulmonary Regurgitation In Adults with TEtralogy)

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Plain English summary of protocol
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Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

APPROPRIATE

Study objectives

Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme (ACE) inhibitor therapy reduces the degree of pulmonary regurgitation and improves right ventricular function, exercise capacity and baroreceptor sensitivity in patients with repaired Tetralogy of Fallot and pulmonary regurgitation.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Repaired Tetralogy of Fallot

Interventions

Ramipril 10 mg once daily for six months compared to placebo (blister packaged capsules indistinguishable from the blister packaged active drug and also taken in increasing dose 2.5 mg for one week, then 5 mg for two weeks then 10 mg for rest of study).

All patients have two safety blood tests on the basis that they may be on ramipril. There is a protocol of openly changing to losartan in the circumstance of intractable cough. The trial is double blinded and all investigators remain blind as the study is ongoing.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Ramipril

Primary outcome(s)

Improvement in right ventricular function

Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Reduction in pulmonary regurgitant fraction
2. Reduction of right ventricular volume
3. Reduction of right ventricular mass
4. Reduction of left ventricular volume
5. Improvement of left ventricular systolic function
6. Improvement of exercise performance
7. Improvement in baroreceptor sensitivity and heart rate variability

Completion date

14/07/2005

Eligibility**Key inclusion criteria**

All patients with repaired Tetralogy of Fallot and moderate or more pulmonary regurgitant fraction.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

1. Known allergy or hypersensitivity to ACE-inhibitors
2. History of coronary artery disease
3. Pulmonary stenosis more than mild
4. Unable to undertake Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance (permanent pacemaker, electrical device etc.)
5. Renal failure, assessed from patients clinical notes and baseline biochemistry check.
6. Ongoing ACE-inhibitor therapy
7. Pregnancy/breastfeeding/planning to conceive during participation
8. Systolic blood pressure less than 90 mmHg

- 9. Hyperkalemia (K+ levels more than 5.5 mEq/l)
- 10. Refusal to give informed consent

Date of first enrolment

01/10/2002

Date of final enrolment

14/07/2005

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre

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Sponsor information

Organisation

British Heart Foundation (UK)

ROR

<https://ror.org/02wdwnk04>

Funder(s)

Funder type

Charity

Funder Name

British Heart Foundation

Alternative Name(s)

The British Heart Foundation, the_bhf, BHF

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

Location

United Kingdom

Funder Name

Project Grant PG/02/027

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?
Results article	results	09/02/2012		Yes	No