



Clinical trial results:

A single-centre, placebo-controlled, double-blinded, randomized, cross-over study of Iloprost (Ventavis®) in patients with Eisenmenger syndrome

Summary

EudraCT number	2014-000091-25
Trial protocol	GB
Global end of trial date	27 March 2018

Results information

Result version number	v1 (current)
This version publication date	11 February 2021
First version publication date	11 February 2021
Summary attachment (see zip file)	Iloprost study publication (1-s2.0-S0167527319314500-main.pdf)

Trial information

Trial identification

Sponsor protocol code	2014GU001B
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Additional study identifiers

ISRCTN number	-
ClinicalTrials.gov id (NCT number)	-
WHO universal trial number (UTN)	-

Notes:

Sponsors

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Notes:

Paediatric regulatory details

Is trial part of an agreed paediatric investigation plan (PIP)	No
Does article 45 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial?	No
Does article 46 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial?	No

Notes:

Results analysis stage

Analysis stage	Final
Date of interim/final analysis	28 March 2019
Is this the analysis of the primary completion data?	Yes
Primary completion date	27 March 2018
Global end of trial reached?	Yes
Global end of trial date	27 March 2018
Was the trial ended prematurely?	Yes

Notes:

General information about the trial

Main objective of the trial:

To assess the impact of iloprost - an inhaled pulmonary vasodilator (opens up the blood vessels in the lung)- on exercise capacity in patients with the congenital heart condition Eisenmenger Syndrome.

Protection of trial subjects:

Within the UK Commissioning Policy, administration of inhaled Iloprost is a recognised treatment for patients with PAH including Eisenmenger Syndrome. As we will not perform any invasive tests in this study we do not expect a higher risk profile in this study when compared to routine care in this setting. There is a theoretical risk that Iloprost may enhance the adverse/toxic effect of anticoagulants and antiplatelet agents. Specifically, the antiplatelet effects of Iloprost may, theoretically, lead to an increased risk of bleeding with the combination. Concomitant treatment with Iloprost and anticoagulants or antiplatelet agents is, however, not contraindicated and this effect has not been seen in previous studies involving many patients. Furthermore, it is not routine clinical practice to increase the frequency of INR measurement for patients commenced on Iloprost. INR will be checked as part of the standard care for such patients, as indicated in the schedule and study assessments.

Background therapy: -

Evidence for comparator: -

Actual start date of recruitment	15 August 2014
Long term follow-up planned	No
Independent data monitoring committee (IDMC) involvement?	Yes

Notes:

Population of trial subjects

Subjects enrolled per country

Country: Number of subjects enrolled	United Kingdom: 15
Worldwide total number of subjects	15
EEA total number of subjects	15

Notes:

Subjects enrolled per age group

In utero	0
Preterm newborn - gestational age < 37 wk	0
Newborns (0-27 days)	0
Infants and toddlers (28 days-23 months)	0
Children (2-11 years)	0
Adolescents (12-17 years)	0

Adults (18-64 years)	14
From 65 to 84 years	1
85 years and over	0

Subject disposition

Recruitment

Recruitment details:

Study participants were recruited between December 2014 and November 2015. Eligible patients were recruited from the PHT clinic at Adult Congenital Heart Centre and Centre for Pulmonary Hypertension, Royal Brompton Hospital, UK.

Pre-assignment

Screening details:

The screening visit included the following assessments:

Physical Examination

Medical History

Concomitant medication review

WHO functional class

Pregnancy test for women of childbearing potential

Blood Pressure

Collection of blood

Measurement of oxygen saturation at rest

12 lead ECG

Echocardiography

Pulmonary function test

6MWT

Period 1

Period 1 title	Baseline
Is this the baseline period?	Yes
Allocation method	Randomised - controlled
Blinding used	Double blind
Roles blinded	Subject, Investigator

Arms

Are arms mutually exclusive?	Yes
Arm title	Iloprost

Arm description:

Iloprost (Ventavis®) – Ventavis® 10 µg/ml clear colourless nebuliser solution. Each ampoule with 1ml solution contains 10 µg Iloprost (as Iloprost trometamol). Iloprost (Ventavis®) was manufactured by Bayer Pharma AG and distributed by Bayer plc in the UK. Iloprost was used in this study within its licensed indication.

Arm type	Active comparator
Investigational medicinal product name	Iloprost
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Concentrate for nebuliser solution
Routes of administration	Inhalation use

Dosage and administration details:

Iloprost concentration in the ampoules is 10 µg/ml.

The treatment dose will be initially a low dose of 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours up-titrated to 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours if tolerated (up to 8 times a day). If a patient treated with 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours does not tolerate the treatment it will be reduced to 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours.

Arm title	Placebo
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Arm description:

Placebo a clear colourless nebuliser solution in 1ml ampoules. Bayer plc manufactured the matching placebo for this study.

Arm type	Placebo
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Investigational medicinal product name	Placebo
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Concentrate for nebuliser solution
Routes of administration	Inhalation use

Dosage and administration details:

The treatment dose will be initially a low dose of 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours up-titrated to 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours if tolerated (up to 8 times a day). If a patient treated with 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours does not tolerate the treatment it will be reduced to 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours.

Number of subjects in period 1	Iloprost	Placebo
Started	8	7
Completed	8	7

Period 2

Period 2 title	Cross-over
Is this the baseline period?	No
Allocation method	Randomised - controlled
Blinding used	Double blind
Roles blinded	Subject, Investigator

Arms

Are arms mutually exclusive?	Yes
Arm title	Iloprost
Arm description: -	
Arm type	Active comparator
Investigational medicinal product name	Iloprost
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Concentrate for nebuliser solution
Routes of administration	Inhalation use

Dosage and administration details:

Iloprost concentration in the ampoules is 10 µg/ml.

The treatment dose will be initially a low dose of 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours up-titrated to 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours if tolerated (up to 8 times a day). If a patient treated with 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours does not tolerate the treatment it will be reduced to 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours.

Arm title	Placebo
Arm description: -	
Arm type	Placebo

Investigational medicinal product name	Placebo
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Concentrate for nebuliser solution
Routes of administration	Inhalation use

Dosage and administration details:

The treatment dose will be initially a low dose of 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours up-titrated to 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours if tolerated (up to 8 times a day). If a patient treated with 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours does not tolerate the treatment it will be reduced to 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours.

Investigational medicinal product name	Placebo
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Concentrate for nebuliser solution
Routes of administration	Inhalation use

Dosage and administration details:

The treatment dose will be initially a low dose of 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours up-titrated to 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours if tolerated (up to 8 times a day). If a patient treated with 0.5ml every 3 to 4 hours does not tolerate the treatment it will be reduced to 0.25ml every 3 to 4 hours.

Number of subjects in period 2^[1]	Ilopropst	Placebo
Started	6	8
Completed	6	8

Notes:

[1] - The number of subjects starting the period is not consistent with the number completing the preceding period. It is expected the number of subjects starting the subsequent period will be the same as the number completing the preceding period.

Justification: Subjects withdrew due to SAEs (details of SAEs in the publication attached).

Baseline characteristics

Reporting groups

Reporting group title	Baseline
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Reporting group description: -

Reporting group values	Baseline	Total	
Number of subjects	15	15	
Age categorical			
Units: Subjects			
In utero	0	0	
Preterm newborn infants (gestational age < 37 wks)	0	0	
Newborns (0-27 days)	0	0	
Infants and toddlers (28 days-23 months)	0	0	
Children (2-11 years)	0	0	
Adolescents (12-17 years)	0	0	
Adults (18-64 years)	14	14	
From 65-84 years	1	1	
85 years and over	0	0	
Gender categorical			
Units: Subjects			
male	4	4	
female	11	11	

End points

End points reporting groups

Reporting group title	Iloprost
Reporting group description: Iloprost (Ventavis®) – Ventavis® 10 µg/ml clear colourless nebuliser solution. Each ampoule with 1ml solution contains 10 µg Iloprost (as Iloprost trometamol). Iloprost (Ventavis®) was manufactured by Bayer Pharma AG and distributed by Bayer plc in the UK. Iloprost was used in this study within its licensed indication.	
Reporting group title	Placebo
Reporting group description: Placebo a clear colourless nebuliser solution in 1ml ampoules. Bayer plc manufactured the matching placebo for this study.	
Reporting group title	Iloprost
Reporting group description: -	
Reporting group title	Placebo
Reporting group description: -	

Primary: 6MWT distance

End point title	6MWT distance
End point description:	
End point type	Primary
End point timeframe: Change in 6 minute walking distance (6MWT distance) after 12 weeks of therapy.	

End point values	Iloprost	Placebo		
Subject group type	Reporting group	Reporting group		
Number of subjects analysed	8	4		
Units: meters	8	4		

Statistical analyses

Statistical analysis title	Statistical analysis
Statistical analysis description: It was used R version 3.4.3. Using a cross over design a sample size of 12 was calculated using the level of significance as 0.05, the power as 0.84, the estimated SD (of 6MWT) as 40 m and the minimal detectable difference in 6MWT as 50m. Descriptive statistics were presented as number for categorical data and mean +- SD or median for continuous variables. Subjects who were withdrawn before completion were not included in analysis. No substitution rules were used for missing data in analysis	
Comparison groups	Placebo v Iloprost

Number of subjects included in analysis	12
Analysis specification	Pre-specified
Analysis type	superiority
P-value	≤ 0.05
Method	Wilcoxon (Mann-Whitney)
Parameter estimate	Median difference (net)
Variability estimate	Standard deviation

Adverse events

Adverse events information^[1]

Timeframe for reporting adverse events:

Duration of the study

Assessment type	Non-systematic
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Dictionary used

Dictionary name	MedDRA
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Dictionary version	17.1
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Frequency threshold for reporting non-serious adverse events: 1 %

Notes:

[1] - There are no non-serious adverse events recorded for these results. It is expected that there will be at least one non-serious adverse event reported.

Justification: While the Sponsor had requested recording of non serious adverse events in patient notes/ Sponsor's AE Log, we had only collected SAE for this study (details in the publication attached).

More information

Substantial protocol amendments (globally)

Were there any global substantial amendments to the protocol? Yes

Date	Amendment
16 September 2014	To inform the REC of the changes in the study protocol in response to GNA received on 05th August 2014. 22nd October 2014 – FAO
12 January 2015	Substantial: Changes in the study protocol to clarify arrangements for un-blinding and randomization via RB&HFT pharmacy facilitated by LC2 Additional blood tests @ baseline and ECHO at cross over visit Study assessments flowchart correction Non-substantial: NHS R&D Form changes at the CLRN Request IMP tracking logs REC approval -04 Jan 2015 MHRA approval 25th Jan 2015
12 May 2015	Protocol changes to add open-label Iloprost for 3 years, include changes regarding accountability along with changes to inclusion criteria PIS and ICF updated accordingly Patient Invitation Letter to open-label added REC approval 11 June 2015 MHRA approval 30 June 2015
09 March 2017	Protocol - replace SARs with reference to SPC. PIS/ICF ammended to update safety information SPC updated 14th December 2016
27 April 2017	Re-submission of the study protocol in response to MHRA's notice of non acceptance REC approval 31 May 2017 MHRA approval 23 May 2017

Notes:

Interruptions (globally)

Were there any global interruptions to the trial? No

Limitations and caveats

None reported