

Pharmacological Treatment of Depression.

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1. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in efficacy in inpatients with a major depression; 2. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in tolerability; 3. Patients with a Venlafaxine plasma level < 195 µg/L show comparable antidepressant...

Ethische beoordeling	Positief advies
Status	Werving gestopt
Type aandoening	-
Onderzoekstype	Interventie onderzoek

Samenvatting

ID

NL-OMON22391

Bron

NTR

Verkorte titel

Venla study

Aandoening

This is a double blind, randomized study with a washout period, comparing 2 treatments strategies.

Study duration is 1 week washout period, 7 weeks acute treatment and continuation treatment of responders during 4 months.

One condition is with imipramine with adequate plasma levels the other is venlafaxine with optimal dosage

Ondersteuning

Primaire sponsor: Erasmus MC

Overige ondersteuning: Wyeth

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

Uitkomstmaten

Primaire uitkomstmaten

Change in HRSD scores.

Toelichting onderzoek

Achtergrond van het onderzoek

TITLE:

Pharmacological treatment of Depression: Phase I Venlafaxine versus Imipramine

OBJECTIVES:

Primary:

1. To compare in inpatients with a depression the antidepressant efficacy at seven weeks of two treatment arms: (1) 7 weeks Venlafaxine (maximum dose 375 mg); (2) 7 weeks Imipramine (dose adjustment to adequate plasma levels of 200-300 mug/day).

Secondary:

1. To compare in patients with a depression the tolerability of Venlafaxine and Imipramine;
2. Evaluate efficacy and tolerability during continuation of 4 months of treatment in the responders;
3. Measure plasma level of Venlafaxine:
Patients with Venlafaxine plasma levels under 195 µg/L (not a therapeutical range) show lesser improvement in HRSD/ CGI scores.

TYPE OF PATIENTS:

Inpatients of the Erasmus MC with a severe major depression.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS:

138.

TRIAL DESIGN:

A double blind, randomized singlecentre study with a washout period, comparing 2 treatment strategies.

TRIAL TREATMENTS:

1. Venlafaxine (maximum dose 375 mg);
2. Imipramine (dose adjustment to adequate plasma levels of 200-300 µg/l).

DURATION OF TREATMENT:

One week washout and 7 weeks acute treatment with Venlafaxine or Imipramine. Total of 8 weeks;

FOLLOW-UP:

Continuation treatment of responders during 4 months.

PRIMARY ENDPOINTS:

Proportion of responders.

Change in:

1. HRSD scores;
2. CGI scores;
3. Time to response;
4. Adverse effects.

Doel van het onderzoek

1. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in efficacy in inpatients with a major depression;
2. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in tolerability;
3. Patients with a Venlafaxine plasma level $< 195 \mu\text{g/L}$ show comparable antidepressant efficacy as patients with a Venlafaxine plasma level $> 195 \mu\text{g/L}$;
4. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in efficacy during 4 months follow-up;
5. Imipramine and Venlafaxine are comparable in tolerability during 4 months follow-up.

Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie

1. Venlafaxine (maximum dose 375 mg);
2. Imipramine (dose adjustment to adequate plasma levels of 200-300 $\mu\text{g/l}$).

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Deelname eisen

Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

For inclusion in the trial, patients must fulfill all of the following criteria:

1. Age 18-65;
2. Major depressive disorder, single or recurrent episode (DSM-IV);
3. HRSD (17 item) ≥ 14 ;
4. Written informed consent.

Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

Any of the following is regarded as a criterion for exclusion from the trial:

1. Patients whom are incapable to understand the information and to give informed consent. And patients whom are unable to read or write;
2. Major depression with psychotic features (separate study);
3. Bipolar I or II disorder;
4. Schizophrenia or other primary psychotic disorder;
5. Treatment of current episode with adequate trial of Imipramine or Venlafaxine;
6. Drug/ alcohol dependence last 3 months;
7. Mental retardation (IQ < 80);
8. Women: pregnancy or possibility for pregnancy and no adequate contraceptive measures. Breastfeeding;
9. Serious medical illness affecting CNS, e.g.: M. Parkinson, SLE, brain tumor, CVA;
10. Relevant medical illness as contra-indications for the use of study medication (Venlafaxine and Imipramine), such as recent myocardial infarction and severe liver or kidney failure;
11. Medication affecting CNS, e.g.: antidepressants and/or antipsychotics other than study medication, steroids (prednison), mood stabilisers, benzodiazepines (if not being tapered): $>$

3 mg lorazepam (or equivalent: see appendix Moleman P. 1998. Praktische psychofarmacologie. Derde druk. Bohn Stafleu Van Loghum page 19);

12. Direct ECT indication (e.g. very severely suicidal or refusal of food and drinking resulting in life threatening situation);

13. Contra-indications for Lithium (Moleman, 1998):

- a. Kidney failure;
- b. Acute myocard infarct;
- c. Myasthenia gravis;
- d. Breastfeeding.

Onderzoeksopzet

Opzet

Type:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Parallel
Toewijzing:	Gerandomiseerd
Blinding:	Dubbelblind
Controle:	Geneesmiddel

Deelname

Nederland	
Status:	Werving gestopt
(Verwachte) startdatum:	01-06-2004
Aantal proefpersonen:	138
Type:	Werkelijke startdatum

Ethische beoordeling

Positief advies	
Datum:	08-03-2006

Soort:

Eerste indiening

Registraties

Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie

Geen registraties gevonden.

Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

In overige registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL563
NTR-old	NTR619
Ander register	: N/A
ISRCTN	ISRCTN73221288

Resultaten

Samenvatting resultaten

N/A