

Clinical trials of vasodilators therapy for heart failure in all type of patient

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1 epoprostenol

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
epoprostenol vs standard care			
FIRST , 1997 n=237/234 follow-up: 3 and 6 months	epoprostenol infusion versus standard care	Patients with class IIIB/IV congestive heart failure and decreased left ventricular ejection fraction	Parallel groups NA

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2 human B-type natriuretic peptide

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
nesiritide vs placebo			
FUSION 2 , 2008 [NCT00091520] n=911 follow-up: 12 weeks	nesiritide (2 g/kg bolus plus 0.01 g/kg-per-minute infusion for four to six hours) versus placebo	patients with ACC/AHA stage C/D heart failure with two recent heart-failure hospitalizations, an ejection fraction of less than 40% , and NYHA class 4 symptoms or NYHA class 3 symptoms with creatinine clearance less than 60 mL/min	Parallel groups double-blind
nesiritide vs standard care			
FUSION 1 , 2004 [NCT00270361] n=NA follow-up: 12 weeks	nesiritide 0.005 microg/kg/min or 0.010 microg/kg/min once weekly versus standard care	outpatient with co-morbid advanced heart failure and renal insufficiency	Parallel groups open

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3 hydralazine

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
hydralazine vs control			
Chatterjee , 1980 n=NA follow-up:	oral hydralazine versus NA	patients with chronic CHF	
hydralazine vs placebo			
Franciosa , 1982 n=16/16 follow-up: 20 weeks	hydralazine 200 mg daily versus placebo	patients with class III and IV symptoms while they were taking digitalis and diuretics	double blind
Conradson , 1984 n=NA follow-up: 1 year	hydralazine versus placebo	patients with chronic congestive heart failure (NYHA class III)	
Magorien , 1984 n=NA follow-up:	hydralazine 100 mg orally every eight hours versus placebo	patients with idiopathic dilated cardiomyopathy	double blind

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4 hydralazine-ISDN

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
vs placebo			
Ghose (vs placebo) , 1993 n=50/51 follow-up: 6 months	hydralazine 100mg/d ISDN 60mg/d versus placebo	patientst with chronic congestive heart failure (NYHA III or IV) receiving conventional treatment with digoxin and diuretics	Parallel groups double blind
hydralazine-ISDN vs placebo			
VHeFT I (hydralazine ISDN) , 1986 n=186/273 follow-up: 2.3 y (range 0.5-5.7 years)	hydralazine 300mg/d ISDN 160mg/d versus placebo	patientst with chronic congestive heart failure and cardiac dilatation (CT ratio>0.55) or LVEF <45% in association with reduced exercise tolerance	Parallel groups double blind
vs captopril			
Ghose (vs captopril) , 1993 n=50/52 follow-up:	hydralazine ISDN , hydralazine 100mg/d ISDN 60mg/d versus	patientst with chronic congestive heart failure (NYHA III or IV) receiving conventional treatment with digoxin and diuretics	
vs enalapril			
V-HeFT II , 1991 n=401/403 follow-up: 2.5y (range 0.5-5.7y)	hydralazine 300mg ISDN 160mg daily versus enalapril 20mg daily	men with chronic congestive heart failure and cardiac dilatation (CT ratio>0.55) or LVEF <45% in association with reduced exercise tolerance	Parallel groups double blind

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5 isosorbide dinitrate

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
isosorbide dinitrate vs placebo			
NICE (Lewis) , 1999 n=NA follow-up: 12 weeks	isosorbide-5-mononitrate 50 mg once daily versus placebo	patients (NYHA Class 2-3) treated for heart failure, all receiving captopril and most also furosemide	
Franciosa , 1978 n=16/16 follow-up:	isosorbide dinitrate versus placebo	-	double blind

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6 prazosin

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
prazosin vs placebo			
VHeFT I (prazosin) , 1986 n=183/273 follow-up: 2.3 y (range 0.5-5.7 years)	hydralazine 300mg/d ISDN 160mg/d , prazosin 2.5mg four times daily versus placebo	men with chronic congestive heart failure and cardiac dilatation (CT ratio>0.55) or LVEF <45% in association with reduced exercise tolerance	double blind
Colucci , 1980 n=NA follow-up:	prazosin versus placebo	-	
Markham , 1983 n=23 follow-up: 6 months	-	patients with congestive heart failure receiving a stable dose of digitalis and diuretics	double blind
Higginbotham , 1983 n=NA follow-up:	prazosin versus placebo	-	

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