



# Help Us To Help You...

Take part in clinical trials



## A clinical trial to help patients taking warfarin

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Medical research is an essential part of developing any new medicine or therapy.

Clinical trials are designed to find out how people react to different medicines so that new and more effective treatments can be introduced.

**As someone receiving warfarin therapy this study is working for you, the patient.**

In recognition of your participation in this study you will receive:

- £1300 payment
- £400 bonus\*
- A free CoaguChek XS device to keep once you have completed the study along with approximately six months worth of test strips!



## What is a CoaguChek device?

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The CoaguChek XS is the latest generation of Coagulation Monitoring system, launched in February 2006.

This device offers you a simple, fast and convenient way of monitoring your clotting (INR) results. By analysing a finger prick drop of blood the CoaguChek takes less than a minute to get your INR result.

With the ChoaguChek device you can enjoy a greater level of freedom, independence and a better quality of life. You can test anywhere; when you are travelling, on holiday or at work and means you have to spend less time at your hospital/clinic.





## The purpose of the study

The main aim of this study is to investigate the effect of a medicine called oseltamivir given together with warfarin on the clotting levels of the blood.

Oseltamivir is used for the treatment of influenza (flu) and is by no means a new treatment – it has been available since 1999 and has been given to 49 million patients worldwide! Recently it has also been recommended as the first line of therapy for Bird Flu.

Unfortunately almost everyone will suffer from flu at some point in their lives. In some instances, particularly in the elderly, flu can be a serious condition and lead to serious health implications. Therefore, it is vital that for those people taking warfarin we investigate the effects (if any) of taking these two medicines together.



## About Us

Trials4patients is part of Richmond Pharmacology, the UK's largest Early Phase Clinical Research Organisation.

We conduct medical research to help develop new medicines. Our two research units are based within St George's Hospital and the Mayday University Hospital, giving you the safest and most comfortable facilities.

For this study, we work in conjunction with anticoagulation clinics so you will be supported by both Richmond Pharmacology and clinic doctors.

Our unit is a home from home with TVs, DVDs & videos, daily newspapers, books, games consoles, and an internet room where you can surf the web for free or keep in touch with friends by e-mail. Even your meals are carefully prepared and cooked in our on-site kitchen.





## Commitment from you

Initially there will be a medical check-up to see if you are suitable to take part in the study. Then the study is made up of two periods each consisting of nine days in-house at our comfortable unit. A follow-up appointment at our unit will take place after your second in-house period.



## Study Requirements

If you are:

- Aged 18-75
- Taking warfarin on a daily basis as prescribed by your doctor
- Your INR falls within the range of 2.0-3.5 and is stable

You may be suitable to take part in this study.





## Interested?

Visit [www.trials4patients.co.uk](http://www.trials4patients.co.uk) for more information and to register or call us free on 0800 085 6464 and speak to a member of our Volunteer Recruitment Team

\* Subject to compliance with the Richmond Pharmacology Volunteer Charter and all unit rules

