

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Supplement – Methods

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3 **Trial design and oversight**

4 *Design*

5 The study was designed as a registry-based randomized trial (Figure 1). The registry population
6 included individuals with microvascular angina who provided written informed consent at visit 1.
7 The trial involved a prospective, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled,
8 sequential crossover design to assess the effects of zibotentan 10 mg or matched placebo, once
9 daily for 12 weeks.¹⁶ The trial was designed to assess the superiority of the addition of oral
10 zibotentan to guideline-indicated therapy as compared with placebo and guideline-indicated
11 treatment for patients with microvascular angina.^{17,18} The trial population included participants
12 who fulfilled eligibility and who then pass through genotype filtering, which involved filtering out
13 some individuals with the AA alleles of the rs9349379 SNP, and who were finally randomized at
14 visit 3.

15 Clinical information, patient reported outcome measures (PROMS), and a blood test were acquired
16 at enrolment (visit 1) and again at the end of the medical optimization period (visit 2), after a 3-
17 week placebo run-in (visit 3, baseline), and at the end of treatment period 1 (visit 4) and treatment
18 period 2 (visit 5, end of trial). A genomic blood test was obtained at visit 1. An exercise tolerance
19 test was obtained on four occasions including visits 1, 3, 4 and 5. An optional imaging study
20 involved cardiovascular MRI at visits 3, 4 and 5.

21 *Oversight*

22 The trial was co-sponsored by NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde and the University of Glasgow and
23 funded by the Medical Research Council (MR/S018905/1) of the UK Research and Innovation

24 (UKRI).

25 The trial conduct was overseen by a Trial Steering Committee and an Independent Data and
26 Monitoring Committee. The Trial Steering Committee included an independent chairperson, two
27 independent physicians, the chief investigator, a representative from the sponsor and a patient
28 representative. This committee provided overall supervision of the trial to ensure that it was
29 conducted in accordance with the principles of Good Clinical Practice and the relevant regulations.
30 Decisions about continuation or termination of the trial or substantial amendments to the protocol
31 were the responsibility of the Trial Steering Committee who advised the sponsor.

32 An Independent Data Monitoring Committee included two independent medical experts and an
33 independent biostatistician. They received unblinded reports of trial safety data and progress. This
34 committee could recommend to the Trial Steering Committee and the sponsor that the trial should
35 stop in the event of concerns about patient safety.

36 Since the trial involved a crossover design and was not designed to assess between-group
37 differences in clinical endpoints, a Clinical Event Committee was not required.

38 The trial was undertaken in compliance with the approved protocol and the principles outlined in
39 the Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) Regulations 2004 (SI 2004/1031), amended
40 regulations (SI 2006/1928), Good Clinical Practice (GCP) guidelines, the Sponsor's (Standard
41 Operating Procedures (SOPs), and other regulatory requirements, as amended.

42 AstraZeneca provided the investigational medicinal product (IMP) through the Open Innovation
43 program [AstraZeneca Open Innovation Internet]. AstraZeneca reviewed and approved the
44 protocol. AstraZeneca had no role in the study design and were not involved in the preparation,
45 drafting or editing of the manuscript. AstraZeneca conducted a factual accuracy check of this
46 manuscript, but any decisions to incorporate comments were made solely at the discretion of the

47 authors. All the authors reviewed and approved the manuscript and they assume full responsibility
48 for the accuracy and completeness of the data and for the fidelity of the trial to the protocol
49 (Supplement).

50 **Setting**

51 The study involved twelve hospitals in the United Kingdom (Supplementary Table S7): Queen
52 Elizabeth University Hospital, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board (Glasgow);
53 Glenfield Hospital, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust (Leicester), Oxford University
54 Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Division of Cardiovascular Medicine at the University of
55 Oxford, John Radcliffe Hospital (Oxford); Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
56 (Cambridge); Blackpool Victoria Hospital, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
57 (Blackpool); Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust (London); Leeds General Hospital, Leeds
58 Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (Leeds); Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (London);
59 Hammersmith Hospital, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust Hospitals Foundation NHS Trust
60 (London); Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Exeter); Newcastle
61 Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (Newcastle); and the Basildon University Hospital, Mid and
62 South Essex NHS Foundation Trust (Basildon).

63 **Participant identification**

64 Patients who had an established diagnosis of microvascular angina were prospectively screened in
65 secondary care. Patients were identified from clinical databases, clinics and clinical procedure lists.
66 The clinical pathways included (1) out-patient clinics; (2) diagnostic stress tests, e.g. stress
67 perfusion cardiovascular MRI, stress echocardiography, stress nuclear imaging with positron
68 emission tomography (PET) or single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) or an
69 exercise ECG leading to a diagnosis of microvascular angina; (3) invasive or computed

70 tomography (CT) coronary angiography.

71 **Informed consent**

72 Written informed consent was an eligibility criterion and consent was required before any study
73 assessments were undertaken. The informed consent form covered enrolment into the registry, the
74 genetic screening test for eligibility, the screening period, the run-in-period and the randomized
75 trial. Additionally, participants were invited to provide optional consent for follow-up using
76 linkage of electronic health records in the longer term. Ongoing consent was confirmed during
77 each study visit. Should consent be withdrawn, then the participant was withdrawn from the study
78 without affecting the individual's standard of care.

79 **Eligibility criteria**

80 The inclusion criteria were: (1) age ≥ 18 years; (2) microvascular angina; (3) able to comply with
81 study procedures; and (4) written informed consent. Microvascular angina was described by the
82 Coronary Vasomotion Disorders International Study (COVADIS) group criteria (Supplementary
83 Table S9).²⁸ Participants in this trial had to fulfil criteria (1) and (2). Probable microvascular angina
84 was defined as having 3 of the 4 COVADIS criteria and definite microvascular angina requires all
85 4 criteria.

86 The exclusion criteria were: (1) exercise tolerance >540 seconds in men and >430 seconds in
87 women (i.e. actual exercise duration (s) achieved on the Bruce protocol commensurate with
88 predicted), or, lack of anginal symptoms and/or ST-segment depression (0.1 mV) limiting exercise;
89 (2) non-cardiovascular exercise-limiting problem e.g. morbid (or severe) obesity (body mass index
90 (BMI) ≥ 40.0 kg/m²); (3) genotype not available; (4) women who are pregnant, breast-feeding or
91 of child-bearing potential (WoCBP) without a negative pregnancy test and who are unwilling or

92 unable to follow the reproductive restrictions (defined in the Supplement) and use highly effective
93 contraception (defined in the Supplement) for the duration of the trial treatment and 30 days after
94 last dose of trial drug; (5) men who are sexually active with a WoCBP who are unwilling to use
95 condoms or other highly effective methods of contraception for the duration of trial medication
96 and for 14 weeks after the last dose of trial medication; (6) heart failure (New York Heart
97 Association Grade \geq II i.e. mild symptoms and slight limitation during ordinary activity; (7) recent
98 (<6 months) myocardial infarction; (8) a history of epilepsy, other CNS adverse events, neurologic
99 symptoms or signs consistent with spinal cord compression or CNS metastases; (9) moderate or
100 more severe renal impairment (glomerular filtration rate (GFR) < 45 mL/min); (10) liver disease
101 with a Child-Pugh score of A (5-6 points) or higher; and (11) participation in another intervention
102 study involving a drug within the past 90 days or 5 half-lives whichever is longer (co-enrolment
103 in observational studies is permitted).

104 The eligibility criteria for the cardiovascular MRI study are described in the Supplement.

105 **Genetic enrichment**

106 The chronic elevation of circulating endothelin-1 in microvascular angina may be influenced by
107 genetic factors. A genotype-based selection for the AA, AG and GG alleles of the rs9349379 SNP
108 endothelin-1 gene enhancer was undertaken to achieve a G-allele frequency of at least 50% for the
109 rs9349379 SNP in the study population. Participants and investigators were blinded to genotype.

110 Participants who were eligible on clinical grounds underwent PHACTR1 genotyping for
111 rs9349379. A whole blood sample (EDTA, 4.0 ml; bar-code identifier) for genotyping was
112 obtained at visit 1 and shipped from the site in a Royal Mail Safebox™ to the Genetics Laboratory,
113 Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board. Genomic
114 DNA was extracted and initially stored at 4°C until testing was completed. A Sanger sequencing

115 approach, using the forward primer “F_GTGCAATTCTCCAAGGCTCC” and the reverse primer
116 “R_TTTAAACTCAGCTCGTGAAAA”, was used to sequence part of intron 3 of the
117 *PHACTR1* gene to determine the genotype of the rs9349379 SNP. When the participant’s genotype
118 was established, the DNA sample was then archived at -20°C. Genotype results were prospectively
119 entered into the electronic case report form in the database managed by the Robertson Centre for
120 Biostatistics (clinical trials unit).

121 A predefined genotype selection algorithm was applied by the lead statistician (A.M.) in the
122 clinical trials unit. The sampling rates of AA and AG patients were set before the start of the trial,
123 based on expected allele frequencies. Participants with the GG genotype continued to the run-in
124 period, whereas only a proportion of those with the AA and AG genotypes were invited to proceed.
125 This approach boosted the relative frequency of the G genotypes in the randomized trial
126 population, with the objective of achieving at least 50% G allele frequency. The enrichment
127 process was balanced against the rate of recruitment into the trial, and if the recruitment fell behind
128 timelines, then the sampling rates could be modified to increase the number of randomized
129 participants, at the expense of having a lower than 50% G allele frequency. The genotype
130 distribution was prospectively monitored by the Trial Steering Committee and the Independent
131 Data Monitoring Committee.

132 If a consented patient was found to be ineligible for the run-in/treatment period of the randomized
133 trial, they remained in the study population, including consent for long term follow up using
134 electronic health record (HER) linkage.

135 **Research schedule**

136 The protocol included five visits. The research procedures involved prospective collection of
137 clinical data and a time-course of investigations.

138 **Visit 1 - Medical optimization**

139 The first visit involved a clinical assessment to confirm eligibility, PROMS, a blood test (including
140 for genomic biomarkers and pharmacodynamics), and an exercise tolerance test.

141 Since microvascular angina is a chronic condition, most patients were already established on
142 maintenance drug therapy. However, we anticipated that in some cases, cardiovascular risk factors,
143 including blood pressure and lipids, may not have been optimally controlled. The healthcare staff
144 assessed whether the wellbeing of the study participant could be improved through standard of
145 care measures in line with practice guidelines.¹⁷ Modifiable cardiovascular risk factors, including
146 blood glucose, glycated hemoglobin, lipids, blood pressure and body weight were assessed, and
147 optimization measures were implemented according to a standard operating procedure involving
148 pharmacological and non-pharmacological measures.¹⁷ The optimization period was limited to 6
149 weeks. If angina drug therapy was changed, then a period of 4 weeks was required before
150 proceeding into the treatment run-in period. When the angina medication, including the drug type
151 and dose, remained stable for 4 weeks and the participant's symptoms were stable in the opinion
152 of the investigator, then the participant could proceed to the next treatment run-in period starting
153 from visit 2. Following optimization, the angina therapy remained the same following entry into
154 the treatment run-in period (Visit 2) and thereafter.

155 **Visit 2 - treatment run-in**

156 The second visit occurred 6 weeks after enrolment and involved a clinical assessment, PROMS, a
157 pregnancy test for women of child-bearing potential, a blood test, and dispensing of trial medicine.

158 Participants entered a three-week run-in period from visit 2 to visit 3. Participants received a once
159 daily single blind placebo medication. The purpose of this run-in period was to give the participants

160 experience of taking investigational medication. Since assessments of adherence with
161 investigational medication and safety were objectives of the trial, a run-in period with zibotentan
162 was not included since individuals who might be intolerant of zibotentan could have withdrawn
163 before proceeding into period 1. The trial was designed to provide representative data on the
164 experience of the participants when receiving the trial medication.

165 **Visit 3**

166 The third visit represented the baseline for the randomized clinical trial. Participants who were
167 selected based on genotype criteria proceeded to visit 3. During this visit, clinical information,
168 PROMS, a blood test, and exercise tolerance test were performed.

169 *Adherence with trial medication*

170 Adherence with trial medication during the run-in and subsequent visits was documented.
171 Adherence with trial medication (defined as >80%) was assessed by (1) participant-reported
172 adherence with therapy, calculated by the number of tablets taken during the current treatment
173 period compared with the number expected to have been taken (accounting for any clinician
174 advised dose reductions documented in the Medication Termination/Interruption/Dose Frequency
175 Log), and (2) a tablet count based on the return of any remaining tablets at the end of the treatment
176 period, and (3) the date and time of the last dose prior to the visit.

177 **Randomization**

178 Randomization occurred during visit 3, after completion of a single-blind placebo run-in.
179 Eligibility criteria were reassessed before randomization and only participants in whom eligibility
180 had been re-confirmed and who were adherent with the trial medication during the run-in period

181 with were eligible for randomization.

182 *Treatment period*

183 Eligible and consenting patients were randomized with equal probability to the two groups
184 reflecting the sequential order of zibotentan or placebo in Period 1 and Period 2, respectively:
185 Group 1 = zibotentan in Period 1 then placebo in Period 2; Group 2 = placebo in Period 1 then
186 zibotentan in Period 2. The randomization was minimized with respect to a concomitant history of
187 vasospastic angina, study site, genotype, and sex in blocks of size 10. Specifically, each participant
188 was randomized to receive zibotentan 10 mg daily for 12 weeks and then placebo for 12 weeks, or
189 placebo for 12 weeks followed by zibotentan 10 mg daily for 12 weeks.

190 **Blinding**

191 The trial had a double-blind design. Specifically, the trial participants, carers, investigators, and
192 sponsor were blinded to the treatment allocation. Outcome assessments were undertaken by staff
193 who were also blinded.

194 Breaking of the study blinding in an emergency was only to be performed where knowledge of the
195 treatment was essential for patient care. Any emergency unblinding would occur via a telephone
196 Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS). Unblinding the treatment allocation may be required
197 when reporting suspected unexpected serious adverse reactions (SUSARs) to the regulatory
198 authorities. This was performed by the sponsor pharmacovigilance office without unblinding the
199 investigators or the participants.

200 **Visits 4 and 5**

201 The fourth and fifth (final) visits occurred at the end of the first and second treatment periods. The

202 assessments that were undertaken during visit 3 were repeated during visits 4 and 5.

203 During the first treatment period, participants were assigned in random order to take either 10 mg
204 of zibotentan daily or matched placebo for 12 weeks and then following Visit 4, the trial
205 medication was switched to placebo or 10 mg of zibotentan daily for 12 weeks.

206 **Exercise tolerance test**

207 *Rationale*

208 Exercise testing using the Bruce protocol is a standard of care in clinical cardiology and evidence-
209 based for assessing functional capacity, susceptibility to effort-related anginal symptoms and
210 myocardial ischemia in patients with stable angina.²⁹ Treadmill exercise time (s) is a reproducible
211 outcome measure, although the severity of myocardial ischemia may attenuate during repeated
212 testing with an approximately 10% test-retest variability.^{30–35} In a study of repeated exercise testing
213 in older women the intra-class correlation coefficient of exercise duration was 0.88.³² In a clinical
214 trial involving 33 patients with microvascular angina, there was 100% compliance with serial
215 exercise tests (n=4 per subject).³⁶ In developing the design of the trial, participant feedback during
216 Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) meetings supported the use of exercise tests based on safety
217 and tolerability. Treadmill exercise testing is also endorsed by regulators, such as the Federal Drug
218 Administration, for assessing the efficacy of angina medications.

219 *Exercise test protocol*

220 The full Bruce protocol for maximal exercise testing was used according to published standards
221 from the American Heart Association (AHA) Scientific Statement.²⁹ The Bruce Protocol involves
222 3-minute periods of incremental levels of exercise undertaken on a treadmill at a walking pace.³⁷
223 A non-cardiac reason, e.g. arthritis, that limits exercise duration to less than predicted was an

224 exclusion criterion. The same exercise test equipment was used during repeated visits for each
225 participant.

226 Detailed information on the exercise test protocol is provided in the Supplement. Prior to the
227 exercise test taking place, site staff advised participants to abstain from taking their angina
228 medication for 24-hour hours before the study visit and be fasting be fasting for 3 hours. The
229 electrocardiograph settings included ST-amplitude measurements at the J-point and at J + 80
230 milliseconds for assessing change during exercise.

231 A target minimum increase in heart rate of 85% of the age-predicted maximum heart rate was
232 recommended. The participant's assessment of the intensity of physical activity was rated using
233 the Borg Scale for Rating Perceived Exertion. The response was recorded at the point when the
234 exercise test ended. The absolute and relative criteria for stopping an exercise test were predefined
235 (Supplement).

236 Participant responses were recorded by the attending staff, namely, (1) perceived exertion, (2)
237 angina (other criteria are listed in the AHA Scientific Statement). A Borg Scale stopping criterion
238 of ≥ 13 (somewhat hard) out of 20 was adopted. A Borg Scale of >15 represents achievement of
239 the anaerobic threshold. The four-level Angina Scale for Exercise Tolerance Testing was used to
240 rate and report anginal symptoms during exercise. A widely established stopping criterion for
241 anginal symptoms is level 2 of 4 (some pain, moderately severe and definitely uncomfortable but
242 still tolerable). These scales were displayed to staff and participants to standard-set the stopping
243 criteria for the sites. The scales were displayed in front of the treadmill to standard-set the stopping
244 criteria for the sites. The Bruce protocol involves graded exercise testing using a treadmill. The
245 protocol involves stages each of 3-minutes duration. Stage 1 begins at a walking pace (1.7 miles
246 per hour) with a 10% gradient. After 3 minutes, Stage 2 begins with an increase in walking speed

247 to 2.5 miles per hour at a gradient of 12%. After 6 minutes, Stage 3 begins with the ramp speed
248 increasing to 3.4 miles per hour with a steeper gradient of 14%. Stage 4, beginning at 12 minutes,
249 involves a ramp speed of 4.2 miles per hour and a gradient of 16%.

250 Staff completed a report form for each exercise test. The information included the treadmill model,
251 the speed (mph) and slope (gradient) of the treadmill at the start and end of the test, total exercise
252 time, heart rate and blood pressure at the start and end of the test, an indication if the test was
253 stopped earlier than anticipated (age and sex-predicted exercise duration) and if so, then the reason
254 for stopping, including chest tightness, breathlessness, fatigue, dizziness, palpitations and non-
255 cardiac symptoms (e.g. leg pain). The Angina Scale for Exercise Tolerance Testing, Angina Index
256 and the Borg Scale for Rating of Perceived Exertion were also documented (Supplement). The
257 electrocardiograms (ECGs) were acquired at rest with the participant standing and then again at 1-
258 minute intervals during exercise and after the end of exercise at 1-minute intervals for 3 minutes
259 until the end of the test. They were de-identified and transferred securely to the University of
260 Glasgow Electrocardiology Core Laboratory at Glasgow Royal Infirmary for visual review and
261 measurement checking. The ECG features were predefined according to contemporary criteria.²⁹
262 The ECG review form is provided in the Supplement.

263 A basic ECG interpretation, e.g. normal, LBBB, ischemic ST-T changes, as well as a rhythm
264 interpretation, were made. Each ECG was assessed by two reviewers acting together. Selected
265 measurements, e.g. change in ST amplitude at J + 80 msec were transferred to a spreadsheet for
266 statistical analysis, with particular attention being paid to serial ST-T changes in the sequentially
267 acquired ECGs. An automated interpretation of the ECG was occasionally available but was not
268 required. Hence, the ECG variables were based on a combination of automated ECG
269 measurements, and changes over exercise, including predefined features determined by expert core
270 laboratory staff (P.M., J.K.) review.²⁹

271 **Blood samples**

272 To investigate the safety of zibotentan and the effects on cardiovascular, inflammation and
273 metabolic pathways, and circulating concentrations of zibotentan, blood samples were collected at
274 enrolment (visit 1) and at all subsequent visits (2-5). Specifically, blood samples were collected
275 at enrolment (visit 1), the end of the medical optimization period (visit 2, weeks 0 – 6), baseline
276 (visit 3, week 7 – 9, end of the treatment run-in), and the end of period 1 (visit 4, week 10 – 22)
277 and period 2 (visit 5, week 23 – 34). Blood samples collected into EDTA (for biomarkers) were
278 handled according to a sample handling manual which was provided to all sites. The blood samples
279 were centrifuged locally and the plasma was separated and frozen at -80°C within 2 hours of
280 sampling. Residual samples were transferred to the NHS Glasgow Biorepository for storage at the
281 end of the study.

282 *Blood samples for safety analyses*

283 Since limited information is available on the safety of zibotentan in non-oncology populations,
284 blood samples were collected at each of the visits to enable real time local laboratory analysis
285 throughout the study. The analyses were undertaken in United Kingdom Accreditation Service
286 (UKAS) accredited laboratories at the sites. The tests included hematology (hemoglobin (Hb),
287 white cell count, platelet count), renal function (potassium, glucose, urea, creatinine, and
288 glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) estimated using the Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology
289 (CKD-EPI) equation,³⁸ liver function (alanine transaminase, aspartate transaminase, alkaline
290 phosphatase, albumin, bilirubin), lipid profile (total cholesterol, high-density lipoprotein, low-
291 density lipoprotein cholesterol, very-low density lipoprotein cholesterol, cholesterol/high density
292 lipoprotein ratio, triglycerides), glycated hemoglobin and N-terminal (NT)-pro hormone brain
293 natriuretic peptide (NT-proBNP) or brain natriuretic peptide).

294 *Pharmacodynamics*

295 In order to research the mechanisms of any potential benefit of oral zibotentan, the within-subject
296 treatment-related changes in the circulating concentrations of cardiac injury (NT-proBNP,
297 troponin I), inflammation (C-reactive protein, intercellular adhesion molecule-1 (ICAM-1),
298 vascular cell adhesion protein 1 (VCAM-1) and interleukin-6 (IL-6)), metabolism (glucose, total
299 cholesterol, high-density lipoprotein, triglyceride, uric acid), endothelial activation (mid regional
300 pro-adrenomedullin (MR-proADM), collagen turnover (amino terminal peptide of type III
301 procollagen), fluid homeostasis (copeptin), renal function (cystatin C, serum creatinine, eGFR),³⁸
302 and their changes over time, were investigated. The measurements were undertaken in a central
303 laboratory in the University of Glasgow, blinded to the other clinical data.

304 EDTA plasma samples (and aprotinin-treated plasma) for research analyses were stored at -80°C
305 in the Glasgow Biorepository until batch analysis at the end of the study. The biochemical analyses
306 were performed in the GlasBRU Laboratory, British Heart Foundation Glasgow Cardiovascular
307 Research Centre in the University of Glasgow. EDTA plasma samples were stored to analyze high-
308 sensitivity cardiac troponin I and NT-proBNP on first thaw. Troponin I (ng/ml) and NT-proBNP
309 (pg/ml) were measured in blood samples collected at Visit 1 and Visit 2. NT-proBNP (pg/ml) was
310 measured to provide a biochemical measurement of left ventricular remodeling (within-subject
311 change in NT-proBNP at follow-up from baseline) and troponin I to provide a biochemical
312 measurement of myocardial necrosis.³⁹

313 For measurement of both and high sensitivity cardiac troponin I (i1000SR ARCHITECT, Abbott
314 Diagnostics, UK) and NT-proBNP (e411, Roche Diagnostics, UK), the laboratory used an
315 automated method calibrated and quality controlled using the manufacturers reagents. The
316 laboratory also participated in the National External Quality Assurance Scheme (NEQAS) for
317 these assays.

318 Glucose, cystatin-C, C-reactive protein, uric acid and lipids including total cholesterol, HDL-
319 cholesterol and triglycerides (c311, Roche Diagnostics, UK) as well as copeptin and MR-proADM
320 (B·R·A·H·M·S Kryptor, Themofisher Scientific, UK) were measured using automated methods
321 using the manufacturers calibrators and quality control materials. ICAM-1 VCAM-1 and IL-6 (Ella
322 Protein Simple, Bio-Techne, UK), P3NP (ELISA, Cisbio Assays, France), endothelin-1
323 (Quantikine ELISA, Bio-Techne, UK), and big endothelin-1 (Biomedica Immunoassays, Austria)
324 were measured by immunoassays using the manufacturers calibrators and quality controls. All
325 assays were conducted in EDTA plasma, apart from big endothelin-1 and endothelin-1, which was
326 conducted in aprotinin protease inhibitor treated plasma.

327 *Pharmacokinetics*

328 Blood samples were obtained at visits 3, 4 and 5 to measure steady-state plasma concentrations of
329 zibotentan. The blood test was scheduled at a single time-point before dose, i.e. a trough, pre-dose
330 blood sample. The trial medication was withheld on the day of the visit until the blood sample was
331 obtained.

332 Zibotentan (ng/mL) was measured in plasma lithium heparin using liquid chromatography with
333 tandem mass spectrometry (York Bioanalytical Solutions Limited). Validation of the assay in
334 human plasma was undertaken using calibration standards and quality control samples. Long term
335 stability of plasma samples stored at -20°C was assessed. For a nominal zibotentan of 1.50 ng/mL
336 and 400 ng/mL in 6 human plasma samples stored at -20°C for 10 months, the mean (ng/mL),
337 precision coefficient of variation (%) and difference from nominal (%) were 1.44, (4.8), (-4.0) and
338 396, (8.5), (-1.0), respectively.

339 **Cardiovascular magnetic resonance imaging**

340 *Overview*

341 Myocardial perfusion is commonly impaired in patients with microvascular angina and
342 cardiovascular MRI provides a quantitative measure of myocardial blood flow. The rationale for
343 undertaking the MRI study was to determine whether, compared with placebo, treatment with
344 zibotentan improves myocardial blood flow.

345 Participants underwent MRI on the same scanner using an identical imaging protocol at each visit.
346 Adenosine stress perfusion MRI was scheduled for 3 occasions (Visits 3, 4 and 5). The rationale
347 for undertaking MRI at these time-points was to assess myocardial blood flow at baseline and
348 again following treatment with zibotentan or placebo for 12 weeks. Since undertaking stress
349 perfusion cardiovascular MRI on three occasions may not be feasible for some participants, the
350 MRI protocol was optional. Social restrictions during the COVID-19 pandemic limited access to
351 the MRI protocol (Supplementary Table S10).

352 Cardiovascular MRI was undertaken at five sites including the University of Glasgow Imaging
353 Centre of Excellence, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, the Royal Free Hospital, London (1.5
354 Tesla, Siemens), the Royal Papworth Hospital, Cambridge (1.5 Tesla Siemens), the University of
355 Oxford Centre for Clinical Magnetic Resonance Research (3.0 Tesla, Siemens) and Leeds General
356 Infirmary (Supplementary Table S9).

357 *Cardiovascular MRI acquisition*

358 The participants were scanned using a clinical research-dedicated MRI scanner (MAGNETOM,
359 Siemens Healthineers, Erlangen, Germany) at each site (Supplementary Table S9). Typically, two
360 18-channel surface coils were placed anteriorly and a 32-channel spine coil was placed posteriorly.

361 The MRI protocol included:

362 - standard localizers - three orthogonal 'white blood' sequences (axial, sagittal and coronal)
363 and long axis cine imaging (vertical long axis, horizontal long axis and 3 chamber view) to identify
364 the left ventricular outflow tract (LVOT). The localizer acquisitions were conducted according to
365 the site's best practice,

366 - cine imaging for cardiac dimensions and function including 4- and 3-chamber long axes

367 - T1-mapping (modified look-locker inversion recovery sequence (MOLLI) 3-level, base,
368 mid, distal),

369 - adenosine stress imaging of myocardial blood flow; intravenous gadobutrol (Gadovist®,
370 Bayer; 1.0 mmol/ml solution for injection) contrast media administration at a dose of 0.05
371 mmol/kg at 4 ml/s using an automated pump injection system,

372 - cine imaging of the left ventricular short axis stack,

373 - rest imaging of myocardial blood flow; intravenous gadobutrol (Gadovist®, Bayer; 1.0
374 mmol/ml solution for injection) contrast media administration at a dose of 0.05 mmol/kg at 4 ml/s,
375 then a top-up intravenous dose of 0.05 mmol/kg through the pump injector at 4 ml/s; total dose
376 0.15 mmol/kg

377 - late gadolinium enhancement imaging,

378 - post-contrast T1 mapping (MOLLI).

379 Balanced steady state free precession sequences were used to acquire ventricular cine imaging in
380 three long axis planes, followed by a short axis stack from the apex to the atrio-ventricular ring,
381 each with 30 phases. Images were obtained using retrospective electrocardiogram-gating at end-

382 expiration. Typical scan parameters for cine bSSFP at 1.5 Tesla were: FOV read 380 x 380 mm,
383 voxel size 2.0 x 2.0 x 8 mm³, SNR 1.00, base resolution 192 mm, phase resolution 100%,
384 calculated phases 30, flip angle 55°, TR 34.32 ms, segments 13, TE 1.1ms, echo spacing 2.6ms,
385 PAT mode GRAPPA, acceleration factor PE =3, reference lines 24, bandwidth 930 Hx/Px. Typical
386 scan parameters at 3.0 Tesla were: voxel size 2.0 x 2.0 x 8.0 mm; repetition time (TR)/ echo time
387 (TE), actual TR = 30 ms (35 ms maximum) /1.12 ms; flip angle 55°, matrix 192 x 192 pixels; slice
388 thickness 8 mm, with 2 mm gap.

389 Three left ventricular short axis (basal, mid and apical) and orthogonal long axis T1 motion-
390 corrected, optimized, MOLLI recovery sequences before contrast media administration and then
391 again 15 minutes after contrast administration using the following typical parameters at 3.0 Tesla:
392 FOV 360 x 306 mm, slice thickness 8.0 mm, voxel size: 1.9 x 1.9 x 8.0 mm, TR 341 ms, TE 1.01
393 ms, flip angle 35°, minimum T1 100 ms, inversion-time (TI) increment 80ms, bandwidth
394 1085Hertz/pixel. The T1 mapping protocols used 5s(3s)3s and 4s(1s)3s(1s)2s sampling, pre-
395 contrast and post-contrast, respectively.

396 Typical pre-contrast T1-mapping parameters at 1.5 Tesla were: MOLLI 5(3)3 (RR>700ms)
397 (Myomaps, Siemens Healthcare): FOV read 360 x 305 mm, base resolution 256 mm, phase
398 resolution 66%, voxel size 1.4 x 1.4 x 8 mm³, flip angle 35°, TR 279.84 ms, TE 1.13ms, TI 180ms,
399 bandwidth 1085 Hx/Px, segments 72, PAT mode GRAPPA, acceleration factor PE =2, reference
400 lines 36, SNR 1.00.

401 Pre- and post-contrast T1-mapping using ShMOLLI 5(1)1(1)1 prototype C2P (WIP 1048B) at 1.5
402 Tesla: FOV read 360 x 270 mm, voxel size (interpolated) 0.9 x 0.9 x 8 mm³, SNR 1.00, base
403 resolution 192 mm, phase resolution 100%, phase partial fourier 6/8, flip angle 35°, TR 378.98
404 ms, segments 84, TE 1.07ms, TI 260ms, PAT mode GRAPPA, acceleration factor PE =2, reference

405 lines 24, bandwidth 898 Hx/Px.

406 Pre- and post-contrast T1-mapping at 3.0T using ShMOLLI 5(1)1(1)1 prototype C2P (WIP 1048B)
407 were: FOV read 360 x 270 mm, voxel size (interpolated) 0.9 x 0.9 x 8 mm³, SNR 1.00, base
408 resolution 192 mm, phase resolution 100%, phase partial fourier 6/8, flip angle 35°, TR 378.98
409 ms, segments 84, TE 1.07ms, TI 260ms, PAT mode GRAPPA, acceleration factor PE =2, reference
410 lines 24, bandwidth 898 Hx/Px.

411 Late gadolinium enhancement images including three long axis acquisitions and a short axis stack
412 were acquired 15 minutes after intravenous injection of 0.15 mmol/kg of gadobutrol (Gadovist®,
413 Bayer) contrast media administration using segmented phase-sensitive inversion recovery turbo
414 fast low-angle shot. The gadobutrol (Gadovist®, Bayer) intravenous dosing regimen was: 0.05
415 mmol/kg gadobutrol for rest perfusion, 0.05 mmol/kg gadobutrol for stress perfusion and finally,
416 a top up dose of 0.05 mmol/kg gadobutrol for late gadolinium enhancement imaging.

417 A full left ventricular stack, aligned to the T1 maps (and cines), and including at least one long
418 axis view (vertical long axis, horizontal long axis or 3 chamber view) was acquired. Phase-
419 sensitive inversion recovery MRI techniques reduce variability relating to myocardial nulling
420 which is required for late gadolinium enhancement imaging of infarct vs. unaffected myocardium.
421 If a phase-sensitive protocol was not used, then a MOLLI time scout was performed prior to using
422 an inversion recovery turbo gradient echo sequence. Phase swaps were performed where
423 appropriate to rule out artefact. Typical parameters for imaging late gadolinium enhancement using
424 the phase sensitive inversion recovery sequence at 1.5 Tesla were: FOV read 380 x 285 mm, base
425 resolution 256 mm, phase resolution 75%, voxel size 1.5 x 1.5 x 8 mm³, flip angle 25°, TR 750
426 ms, TE 3.33ms, echo spacing 8.6ms, trigger pulse = 2, 25 segments, bandwidth 130 Hx/Px, PAT
427 mode GRAPPA, acceleration factor PE =2. Typical imaging parameters at 3.0 Tesla were: matrix

428 = 192 x 111, flip angle = 14°, TE =1.05 ms, bandwidth =1085 Hz/pixel, echo spacing = 2.1 ms
429 and trigger pulse = 1 ms. The voxel size was 1.9 x 1.9 x 7 mm³. Inversion times were individually
430 adjusted to optimize nulling of visually normal myocardium (typical values, 250 to 350 ms).

431 In the event of inadequate breath-holding during late enhancement imaging, then a single shot
432 technique or MOCO phase-sensitive inversion recover late gadolinium enhancement technique
433 was used.

434 Typical late enhancement imaging parameters: Matrix 192 x 256 pixels; flip angle 25o; TE 3.36
435 ms; bandwidth 130 Hz/pixel; echo spacing 8.7ms and trigger pulse 2. The voxel size was 1.8 x 1.3
436 x 8 mm. Inversion times were individually adjusted to optimize nulling of apparently normal
437 myocardium (typical values, 200 to 300 ms).

438 *Myocardial perfusion imaging*

439 The pulse sequence acquisition was selected according to the field strength of the MRI scanner. If
440 perfusion imaging was acquired at 1.5 Tesla, then a SSFP pulse sequence was used. If imaging
441 was acquired at a 3.0 Tesla, then a fast low-angle shot (FLASH) pulse sequence was used. The
442 perfusion method consisted of a dual sequence approach. The first pulse sequence acquisition
443 involved a low resolution acquisition to estimate the arterial input function (AIF) from the dynamic
444 signal intensity change in the left ventricular blood pool. The second pulse sequence acquisition
445 was undertaken for higher resolution imaging of signal intensity changes in the left ventricular
446 myocardium. Typically, linear order base to apex short axis scans were prescribed using a long
447 axis cine in a systolic phase. The perfusion images were acquired more in systole. In this way,
448 acquisition of the left ventricular outflow tract was avoided.

449 Vasodilator stress was achieved by intravenous infusion of adenosine at a dose of 140 µg/kg/min
450 for 4 min (increased to 210 µg/kg/min for a further 2 minutes in the absence of symptoms or an

451 increase in heart rate of <10 beats per minute). At peak stress, a gadolinium-based contrast agent
452 (Gadovist®, Bayer Healthcare) was injected using an automated pump injector at 4 ml/s at a dose
453 of 0.05 mmol/kg followed by rest first-pass myocardial perfusion imaging (Gadovist® (Bayer
454 Healthcare) injected at 4 ml/s at a dose of 0.05 mmol/kg,) at least 10 minutes later.

455 Typical first-pass imaging parameters for a saturation recovery with an inversion pulse sequence:
456 myocardial slice parameters - T1 105 ms for SSFP at 1.5 Tesla, 110 ms for FLASH at 3.0T; TR/TE
457 = 142/1.04 for 1.5 Tesla SSFP; TR/TE = 146/1.0 for 3.0T FLASH; acquisition window 5000 ms;
458 one concatenation; 3 short axis slices. If three slices could not be acquired within the R-R cycle
459 then 2 concatenations were used. A minimum of 60 measurements was acquired, increasing to 90
460 measurement if the cardiac output was low. Imaging was initiated and then, after 8 heart beats, the
461 intravenous gadolinium contrast media bolus was administered. If 2 concatenations were used,
462 then 45 measurements were acquired and the gadolinium bolus was administered after 16
463 heartbeats.

464 Considering practical steps, the participants were invited to abstain from caffeine-containing
465 beverages or foodstuffs for 24 hours and vasoactive medications for 48 hours prior to the MRI
466 examination. At the start of the MRI scan, heart rate and blood pressure were automatically
467 acquired at rest and again during the adenosine infusion (140 µ/kg/min). Heart rate and blood
468 pressure were acquired at 2-minute intervals. If no symptoms occurred and the heart rate increase
469 was <10% (or systolic blood pressure decreases <10mmHg), then the adenosine infusion rate was
470 increased to 170 mcg/kg/min. If after a further 2-minutes no symptoms had occurred and the heart
471 rate increase was <10% (or systolic blood pressure decrease <10 mmHg), then the adenosine
472 infusion rate was increased to 210 µ/kg/min for a further 2-minutes, and then the gadolinium bolus
473 was administered. The patient was advised to breathe normally and shallow during the pump
474 discharge and perfusion imaging acquisition.

475 **Cardiovascular MRI analysis**

476 The MRI scans were analyzed by A.M. and C.B. in the University of Glasgow Clinical Imaging
477 Research Facility using dedicated software (cvi42 software for Cardiovascular MRI, version 5.10,
478 Circle Cardiovascular, Canada). The MRI scans were de-identified, archived as .dat files and
479 uploaded to the electronic database. A.M. served as the primary imaging analyst, blind to treatment
480 assignment. A.M. had accrued 3 years' experience of MRI analyses. The MRI data were
481 subsequently reviewed by C.B. (with >20 years of MRI experience) who was also blinded. At the
482 sites, the cardiovascular MRI scans were reviewed according to local standards of care.

483 *Ventricular function*

484 The imaging analyses were performed utilizing dedicated cardiovascular MRI software (cvi42
485 software (version 5.10, Circle Cardiovascular, Canada)). Routinely reported measures of left
486 ventricular and right ventricular function were carried out according to guidelines of the Society
487 of Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance. Ventricular endocardial and epicardial contours were
488 manually drawn at end-diastole and end-systole, which was deemed to be the phase with the
489 smallest blood pool cavity. Papillary muscles were excluded from myocardial mass and included
490 in volumes. Global left ventricular strain (circumferential, longitudinal, and radial) and global right
491 ventricular strain (longitudinal) were derived using the software's tissue tracking module to
492 determine peak values for each parameter. Atrial areas were manually drawn on 4-chamber
493 horizontal long axis views at atrial diastole (defined with respect to mitral valve closure).

494 *Parametric mapping*

495 Motion corrected T1 scans were analyzed using dedicated software (cvi42 software (version 5.10,
496 Circle Cardiovascular, Canada). The individual images were reviewed to ensure that motion
497 correction was successful. Parametric maps were generated and goodness-of-fit (R^2) was reviewed.

498 Myocardial segments with artefact that impaired diagnostic quality and/or measurement accuracy,
499 including pixels/segments with $R^2 < 0.99$, were excluded from analysis.

500 Epi- and endocardial borders were manually drawn and care was taken to include only myocardial
501 tissue with a 10% epi- and endocardial offset applied to avoid partial volume effects. The right
502 ventricular insertion points were used to segment the myocardium as per the American Heart
503 Association's 16 segment left ventricular model. For blood pool pre- and post-contrast T1 regions-
504 of-interest were drawn within the left ventricular cavity on the 3 short axis maps, with care taken
505 to avoid artifact and papillary muscles.

506 Hematocrit values were acquired the day of the visit.

507 *Late gadolinium enhancement imaging*

508 The archive of late gadolinium enhancement images for each participant was initially qualitatively
509 reviewed for image quality and artefacts. The imaging set included the short axis stack and three
510 or more orthogonal long axis views.

511 The location of any late gadolinium enhancement was defined as sub-endocardial, mid-wall, sup-
512 epicardial, or pericardial. Myocardial hyperenhancement in the basal septum was reviewed and if
513 compatible with a septal perforator artery, this feature was excluded from the late gadolinium
514 enhancement analyses. Hyperenhancement at right ventricular insertion points may be observed
515 in individuals without cardiac disease. Therefore, this feature was not defined as pathological.

516 The full width at half maximum (FWHM) technique was used to evaluate myocardial late
517 gadolinium enhancement imaging. This method is reported to be highly reproducible,^{40,41} and less
518 conducive to 'over-reporting' the extent of late gadolinium enhancement when compared with
519 other methods.^{41,42} The FWHM technique is described as the optimal semi-automated

520 quantification method in risk-stratifying participants with suspected myocarditis, demonstrating
521 the strongest association with major adverse cardiac events.⁴¹ Late gadolinium enhancement was
522 quantified as the percentage of left ventricular mass.

523 Automated quantitative perfusion mapping was performed using the method described by Kellman
524 et al, including the Gadgetron framework.⁴³ The method involves a dual sequence approach for
525 myocardial perfusion acquisition and arterial input function acquisition simultaneously, allowing
526 for quantification of myocardial blood flow (ml/min/g) for each pixel of myocardium. The
527 software allows for automated endocardial and epicardial contouring and segmentation using the
528 American Heart Association 16- and 32- segment model. Automated endocardial and epicardial
529 sub-segmentation is achieved by offsetting the epicardial border to 50%. The global myocardial
530 blood flow is automatically calculated by the average of all the pixels and is measured at stress
531 and rest. Global myocardial perfusion reserve (MPR) is the ratio of stress to rest myocardial blood
532 flow. MPR can also be calculated specifically for the subendocardial layer (MPRE_{ENDO})
533 (calculated by stress MBF_{ENDO}/ rest MBF_{ENDO}). Myocardial blood flow estimated using this
534 method correlates with invasive measures of microvascular dysfunction and cardiovascular
535 prognosis.^{27,44}

536 Automated contouring was reviewed and quality-checked by the imaging cardiologists (A.M.,
537 C.B.). A quality assurance review was also undertaken (P.K.). If errors were noted, automated
538 contouring was removed and replaced by manual contours.

539 **Primary outcome**

540 The primary outcome was treadmill exercise duration (seconds) using the Bruce protocol. The
541 primary analysis estimated the mean within-participant difference in exercise duration following
542 treatment with zibotentan versus placebo.

543 **Secondary outcomes**

544 The secondary outcomes included exercise test parameters, health status questionnaires, safety
545 (frequency and severity of severe adverse events (SAEs) and adverse events), feasibility
546 (withdrawal rate), and biomarkers of efficacy (pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics).

547 *Exercise testing*

548 Time to 1 mm ST-depression, seconds; Maximum ST-segment deviation, mV; Time to 75% of
549 max age-related heart rate during exercise, seconds; Metabolic equivalent (METs), O₂/kg/min;
550 DUKE Score.⁴⁵

551 *Angina burden*

552 The Seattle Angina Questionnaire-7 (SAQ-7) is a validated, disease-specific questionnaire that
553 quantifies limitations caused by angina, the frequency of angina, treatment satisfaction, and
554 subjective perception of quality of life.⁴⁶ Each component score is converted and collated to give
555 a total score out of 100, where a higher score indicates better function. SAQ scores are
556 independently associated with mortality, hospitalization, and resource use and useful as an
557 outcome measure in clinical trials.⁴⁷⁻⁵¹ The SAQ is also a sensitive instrument in patients with
558 microvascular angina.⁵²

559 *Health-related quality of life*

560 Self-reported health status was assessed using the generic EuroQol (EQ)-5D-5L score and the
561 patient assessed EQ-5D-5L score.⁵³

562 *Illness perception*

563 Self-reported illness perception was assessed using the Brief Illness Perception Questionnaire

564 score.⁵⁴

565 *Anxiety and depression*

566 Anxiety and depression were assessed using the PHQ-4 scores.⁵⁵

567 *Treatment satisfaction questionnaire for medication*

568 The Treatment Satisfaction Questionnaire (TSQM-9) provides information regarding medication
569 side effects, effectiveness, convenience and overall satisfaction.⁵⁶

570 The questionnaires were completed by participants at enrolment (visit 1) and 28–60 days after the
571 last episode of hospital care (visit 2), blind to the other research data. The SAQ-7 is patient-
572 reported measure of the burden of angina and it is established as an outcome measure in clinical
573 trials.⁵¹ Self-reported health status was assessed using the generic EuroQOL EQ-5D-5L
574 questionnaire,⁵³ and the Brief Illness Perception Questionnaire (Brief-IPQ).⁵⁴ The Patient Health
575 Questionnaire-4 (PHQ-4) was utilized to assess anxiety and depressive disorders.⁵⁵

576 **Exploratory outcome**

577 A custom-developed questionnaire for symptoms and quality of life was completed at visits 1, 2,
578 3, 4 and 5. The responses in relation to treatment were assessed as an exploratory outcome.
579 Participants will be invited to complete this diary each time symptoms occurred during the study.

580 **Statistics**

581 The statistical analyses were pre-defined in a Statistical Analysis Plan. Treatment effects on the
582 primary, and continuous secondary outcomes, at the end of each period were analyzed using linear
583 mixed effects models with fixed effects of baseline value, treatment, treatment period, and random
584 effect of subject. Secondary outcomes of time to event data were analyzed using mixed effects cox

585 model with fixed effects of treatment, visit and random effect of subject.

586 The analyses were undertaken intention-to-treat and are reported by treatment and period.

587 Continuous variables are summarized by mean, standard deviation (SD), or Q1, median, and Q3.

588 Categorical variables are summarized by N (%). No adjustments have been made for missing data

589 or for multiple comparisons, and missing data are reported. Significance tests with 2-sided p-values

590 are accompanied by confidence intervals for estimated effect sizes and measures of association.

591 The widths of the confidence intervals have not been adjusted for multiplicity. A p-value of 0.05

592 was taken as statistically significant.

593 **Sample size calculation**

594 The primary outcome was the treadmill exercise time (seconds). A 30-second difference in

595 exercise duration was considered clinically significant.⁵⁷ The standard deviation of the difference

596 between two exercise test measurements was assumed to be 85 seconds.⁵⁸ To achieve 80% power

597 to detect a mean difference of 30 seconds between treatments in a 2×2 crossover design and a level

598 of significance of 0.05 (alpha error) required complete data in 65 participants. A minimum of 100

599 participants was intended to be randomized to allow for data quality issues and loss to follow-up.

600 Considering the medical optimization period (visits 1 – 2) and the treatment run-in period (visits

601 2 – 3), a withdrawal rate of up to 30% was projected (n=42 participant), meaning 144 participants

602 were intended to start the treatment run-in period in order that 100 participants would enter into

603 the randomized trial.

604 Pre-specified subgroup analyses were intended for sex, a history of vasospastic angina, genotype

605 subgroups, tertiles of age, BMI, eGFR and systolic blood pressure.

606 **Trial management and timelines**

607 The trial was conducted in line with the current Guidelines for Good Clinical Practice in Clinical
608 Trials. A Trial Management Group included those individuals responsible for the day-to-day
609 management of the trial including the chief investigator, project manager and representatives from
610 the sponsor and scientific laboratories. The roles of this group included facilitating the progress of
611 the study, ensuring that the protocol was adhered to and taking appropriate action to safeguard
612 participants and the quality of the study itself. Decisions about continuation or termination of the
613 study or substantial amendments to the protocol were the responsibility of the sponsor. The Trial
614 Management Group met at weekly intervals from May 2020 to October 2021.

615 *COVID-19*

616 Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) was recognized as a pandemic by the World Health
617 Organization (WHO) on 11 March 2020. The timelines for healthcare restrictions in the National
618 Health Service are described in Supplementary Table S10. In response to national guidance,
619 recruitment to this study was suspended by the sponsor on March 16, 2020. The suspension was
620 lifted on June 10, 2020 and the sponsor provided a guideline for mitigation measures in line with
621 recommendations provided by the United Kingdom government.

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Supplement – Statistical Analysis Plan

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666 **ABBREVIATIONS**

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AR	Adverse Reaction
MVA	Microvascular Angina
PT	MedDRA Preferred Term (PT).
SAE	Serious Adverse Event
SOC	MedDRA System Organ Class (SOC)
TET	Treadmill Exercise Time on the Full Bruce protocol

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670 **1. INTRODUCTION**

671 **1.1. STUDY BACKGROUND**

672 Small vessel disease (SVD) is a challenging problem, under-diagnosed, suboptimally treated and
673 a substantial health & economic burden. Cardiac SVD may limit blood supply to the heart causing
674 anginal chest symptoms during exercise and in response to environmental and physiological
675 stressors e.g. cold weather, emotional stress.

676 Microvascular angina is associated with elevated circulating concentrations of endothelin-1, a
677 highly potent, endothelium-derived constrictor of the coronary and systemic circulation mediated
678 by binding and activation of the endothelin type A receptor on vascular smooth muscle cells.
679 Prolonged exposure to 'excess' endothelin has deleterious effects on small vessel structure leading
680 to adverse remodelling. Circulating concentrations of endothelin-1 are influenced by genetic
681 factors, and these genetic factors may underpin chronic elevation of circulating concentrations of
682 endothelin-1 in patients with microvascular angina. A specific gene candidate of interest is
683 rs9349379, a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP), which may enhance expression of the
684 endothelin 1 gene in human vascular cells.

685 Vasospastic angina is caused by spasm of the epicardial, conduit coronary artery. A transient or
686 sustained reduction in coronary artery blood flow caused by spasm causes a myocardial blood
687 supply: demand mismatch leading to ischaemic symptoms, such as angina. Endothelin
688 dysregulation is also implicated in coronary artery spasm. Vasospastic angina may occur with or
689 without coronary microvascular spasm. Therefore, vasospastic angina and microvascular angina
690 are distinct pathophysiologies involving different zones of the coronary circulation. These
691 endotypes may co-exist. In the CorMicA trial, of patients with abnormal coronary vascular
692 function, most (~4 in 5) patients had microvascular angina and 1 in 5 had isolated vasospastic
693 angina. Of those patients with microvascular angina approximately 1 in 4 had evidence of

694 concomitant coronary artery spasm. The case rate is likely to vary according to population
695 characteristics, including age, sex, ethnicity and prevalence of cardiovascular risk factors.

696 Currently, there are no disease-modifying treatments for microvascular angina or vasospastic
697 angina, and treatment recommendations in practice guidelines are mainly based on expert opinion
698 in the absence of randomised, controlled therapeutic trials. Zibotentan is a highly selective
699 antagonist of the endothelin type A receptor antagonist. Other endothelin receptor antagonists are
700 either less selective for the type A receptor and/or may antagonise the type B receptor and some
701 drugs in this class e.g. bosentan, have been associated with liver toxicity. Zibotentan was evaluated
702 in phase 2/3 oncology trials; it did not improve clinical outcomes and was therefore discontinued.
703 In laboratory studies using arterioles isolated from patients with microvascular angina, we found
704 that zibotentan reduced vasoconstriction and improved vasorelaxation. Accordingly, in this study,
705 we aimed to assess whether treatment with zibotentan, as compared to treatment with placebo,
706 may improve exercise capacity, angina symptoms and health-related quality of life in patients with
707 microvascular angina, with or without concomitant vasospastic angina.

708 Our hypothesis is that the ETA antagonist, zibotentan, will be an effective treatment for patients
709 with microvascular angina. We further hypothesize that the SNP regulator of EDN1 gene
710 expression, rs9349379 (minor G allele), will act as a novel genomic theragnostic biomarker that
711 associates with treatment response in this patient group, reflecting a precision medicine approach.
712 We have investigated whether zibotentan could be developed as a personalised medicine approach
713 based on gene testing.

714 **1.2. AIM**

715 To gather evidence of efficacy for add-on treatment for twelve weeks with zibotentan, an
716 endothelin A receptor-selective antagonist (ERA), in patients with microvascular angina enrolled

717 based on genotype, using a placebo-controlled, cross-over trial design.

718 **1.3. RESEARCH QUESTION**

719 **1.3.1. PRIMARY OUTCOME**

720 The primary objective is to assess the effect of add-on treatment with zibotentan on treadmill
721 exercise time (TET) based on a Bruce protocol exercise test in patients with microvascular angina
722 and impaired exercise intolerance.

723 **1.3.2. SECONDARY OUTCOMES**

724 Secondary objectives of this trial are:

725 - to assess the effects of add-on treatment with zibotentan on other measures of exercise
726 performance, anginal symptoms, and quality of life;

727 - to assess whether the effects of add-on treatment with zibotentan on exercise test
728 performance varies by genotype for the endothelin-1 gene SNP regulator;

729 - to assess the safety of add-on treatment with zibotentan

730 - to assess the effects of add-on treatment with zibotentan on mechanistic biomarkers, and
731 their association with treatment response/discontinuation (mechanistic sub-study);

732 - to assess for associations between prespecified baseline characteristics including sex,
733 history of vasospastic angina and genotype, and treatment effect.

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735 **1.3.3. TERTIARY AND EXPLORATORY OUTCOMES**

736 Tertiary and exploratory analyses, including pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and
737 cardiovascular magnetic resonance imaging, are not covered by this SAP, and will be accounted
738 for after conclusion of analysis of the primary and secondary outcomes.

739 **1.4. STUDY DESIGN**

740 Prospective, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, cross-over, and end-point
741 (mechanistic & PROMS) design.

742 **1.5. RANDOMISATION**

743 Eligible and consenting patients were randomised with equal probability to the two groups
744 reflecting the sequential order of zibotentan or placebo in treatment period 1 and treatment period
745 2, respectively: Group 1 = zibotentan in period 1 then placebo in period 2; Group 2 = placebo in
746 period 1 then zibotentan in period 2. The randomisation will be minimised with respect to
747 recruitment context (history of vasospastic angina), study site, genotype, and sex.

748 **1.6. SAMPLE SIZE**

749 Section 10.1 of the protocol states that:

750 “The primary outcome is the treadmill exercise time (TET) on a Bruce treadmill protocol.

751 A 30 second difference in TET is considered clinically significant. The standard deviation of the
752 difference between two TET measurements is assumed to be 85 seconds. To achieve 80% power
753 to detect a mean difference of 30s between treatments in a 2×2 crossover design requires complete
754 data in 65 subjects. 100 subjects will be randomised to allow for data quality issues and loss to
755 followup. Considering the clinical screening phase (Visit 2 to 3), we anticipate a drop-out of up to
756 30% may occur (n=42), meaning 144 participants will need to be recruited into screening at Visit
757 2.”

758 **1.7. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS PLAN (SAP)**

759 **1.7.1. SAP OBJECTIVES**

760 The objective of this SAP is to describe the statistical analyses to be carried out for the final
761 analysis of the PRIZE study for primary and secondary outcomes.

762 **1.7.2. GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

763 All analyses will be intention-to-treat and will be reported by treatment and period. Continuous
764 variables will be summarised by mean, SD, Q1, median, Q3, minimum and maximum. Categorical

765 variables will be summarised by N (%). No adjustments will be made for missing data. No
766 adjustments will be made for multiple comparisons.

767 **1.7.3. CURRENT PROTOCOL**

768 The protocol at the time of writing is version 3.0, dated 11/11/2020. Future amendments to the
769 protocol will be reviewed for their impact on this SAP, which will be updated only if necessary.
770 If no changes are required to this SAP following future amendments to the study protocol, this will
771 be documented as part of the Robertson Centre Change Impact Assessment processes.

772 **1.7.4. DEVIATIONS FROM PROTOCL**

773 The analyses specified in this SAP are in keeping with the study protocol.

774 **1.7.5. SOFTWARE**

775 The statistical analysis will be carried out in SAS version 9.3 or R version 4.1.1, or higher versions
776 of these programs.

777 **2. ANALYSIS**

778 **2.1. STUDY POPULATIONS**

779 The following analysis populations will be used:

- 780 • Screened Population: all patients who were screened for entry to the study and for whom
781 eligibility data have been recorded.
- 782 • Genotyped population: all patients who passed screening and a genotype test was
783 performed.
- 784 • Randomised population: all patients who passed screening and were selected from the
785 genotype test to be randomised and were subsequently assigned a treatment schedule.

786 The numbers within each population will be plotted on the consort diagram.

787 **2.2. SUBJECT DISPOSITION**

788 Summaries of the disposition of the patients screened, randomised and lost to follow-up will be
789 summarised by randomised sequence and overall. Reasons for exclusion from each population
790 will be summarised. Within the Randomised Population, the number and percentage of patients
791 completing each follow-up will be reported as a whole and by randomised group.

792 **2.3. BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS**

793 The following characteristics of the study population will be summarised for all screened subjects,
794 all subjects failing screening, all randomised subjects and by randomised treatment schedule:

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- 796 • COVADIS microvascular angina status – 3 of 4 criteria (probable), 4 of 4 definite
- 797 • Demographics
- 798 • Medical history
- 799 • Existing drug treatments
- 800 • Resting 12 lead ECG
- 801 • Charlson and Cardiovascular risk scores
- 802 • COVID-19 vaccinations and infections
- 803 • Vital Signs
- 804 • Anthropometrics
- 805 • Clinical status
- 806 • Blood samples for safety
- 807 • Exercise Test (treadmill exercise time, angina, ECG parameters e.g. ST-deviation, METS,
808 DUKE score)
- 809 • Seattle Angina Questionnaire
- 810 • EQ5D

- 811 • Brief Illness Perception Questionnaire
- 812 • PHQ4
- 813 • Treatment satisfaction questionnaire for medication (TSQM)

814 **2.4. PRIMARY OUTCOME**

815 The primary outcome of the trial is the the treadmill exercise time (TET) on the Full Bruce
816 protocol. TET times for both periods combined will be summarised by treatment. Treatment effects
817 on primary outcomes at the end of each period will be analysed using linear mixed effects models
818 with fixed effects of baseline value, treatment, treatment period, and random effect of subject.

819 **2.5. SECONDARY OUTCOMES**

820 The following secondary outcomes will be summarised in the same way as the primary outcome
821 described above.

- 822 - Maximum STsegment deviation (mV),
- 823 - Metabolic equivalent (METs) (O₂/kg/min),
- 824 - The DUKE Score.
- 825 - Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) summary score
- 826 - SAQ component scores including physical limitation, angina stability & frequency
- 827 - Illness perception (Brief IPQ),
- 828 - Anxiety/depression (PHQ4),
- 829 - Treatment satisfaction (TSQM) Effectiveness, Convenience and Satisfaction scores.
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831 The following secondary outcomes will instead be analysed using a mixed effects cox model with
832 fixed effects of treatment, visit and random effect of subject.

- 833 - Time (s) to 1 mm STdepression,
- 834 - Time (s) to 75% of max age-related heart rate during exercise,
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836 **2.6. SUBGROUP ANALYSIS**

837 The primary outcome will be analysed in the following sub-groups.

838 - Categorical variables: genotype, sex, history of vasospastic angina.

839 - Continuously distributed variables (by thirds of the baseline distribution): age, eGFR, BMI,
840 systolic blood pressure.

841 Results will be presented within each sub-group along with a test for treatment by sub-group
842 interaction.

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844 **2.7. SAFETY OUTCOMES**

845 **2.7.1. SAFETY POPULATION**

846 The safety population will consist of all participants who have passed the eligibility screening and
847 received medication during the run-in period. Summaries will be shown overall and by the
848 treatment being used at the onset of event.

849 **2.7.2. WITHDRAWAL**

850 Withdrawal, time to withdrawal and reasons for withdrawal will be summarised overall and by
851 treatment received at time of withdrawal.

852 **2.7.3. SERIOUS ADVERSE EVENTS**

853 The number and characteristics (including outcome, action taken, severity, expectedness, relation
854 to study treatment) of Serious Adverse Events will be summarised overall and by treatment being
855 received at the onset of event. The number and percentage of SAEs and the number and percentage
856 of patients experiencing at least one SAE will be summarised overall and by MedDRA System
857 Organ Class (SOC) and Preferred Term (PT). Tabulations will be sorted by the MedDRA SOC
858 term order and by preferred term order within SOCs. A full listing of all SAE including event and
859 patient details will also be produced.

860 **2.7.4. ADVERSE REACTIONS**

861 The number and characteristics of Adverse Reactions (AR) will be summarised overall and by
862 treatment received. The number and percentage of ARs and the number and percentage of patients
863 experiencing at least one AR will be summarised overall and by MedDRA System Organ Class
864 (SOC) and Preferred Term (PT). Tabulations will be sorted by the MedDRA SOC term order and
865 by preferred term order within SOCs. A full listing of all AR including event and patient details
866 will also be provided.

867 **2.7.5. MEDICATION CHANGES**

868 Medication changes post-randomisation will be summarised overall and by the assigned treatment
869 at the time of the change.

870 Variations in dosing of the IMP, and the reasons, will also be assessed.

871 **3. DATA CONVENTIONS**

872 A separate assumptions document PRIZE_data_assumptions_v1_0.doc detailing any data rules
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874 **4. TABLES, FIGURES AND LISTINGS**

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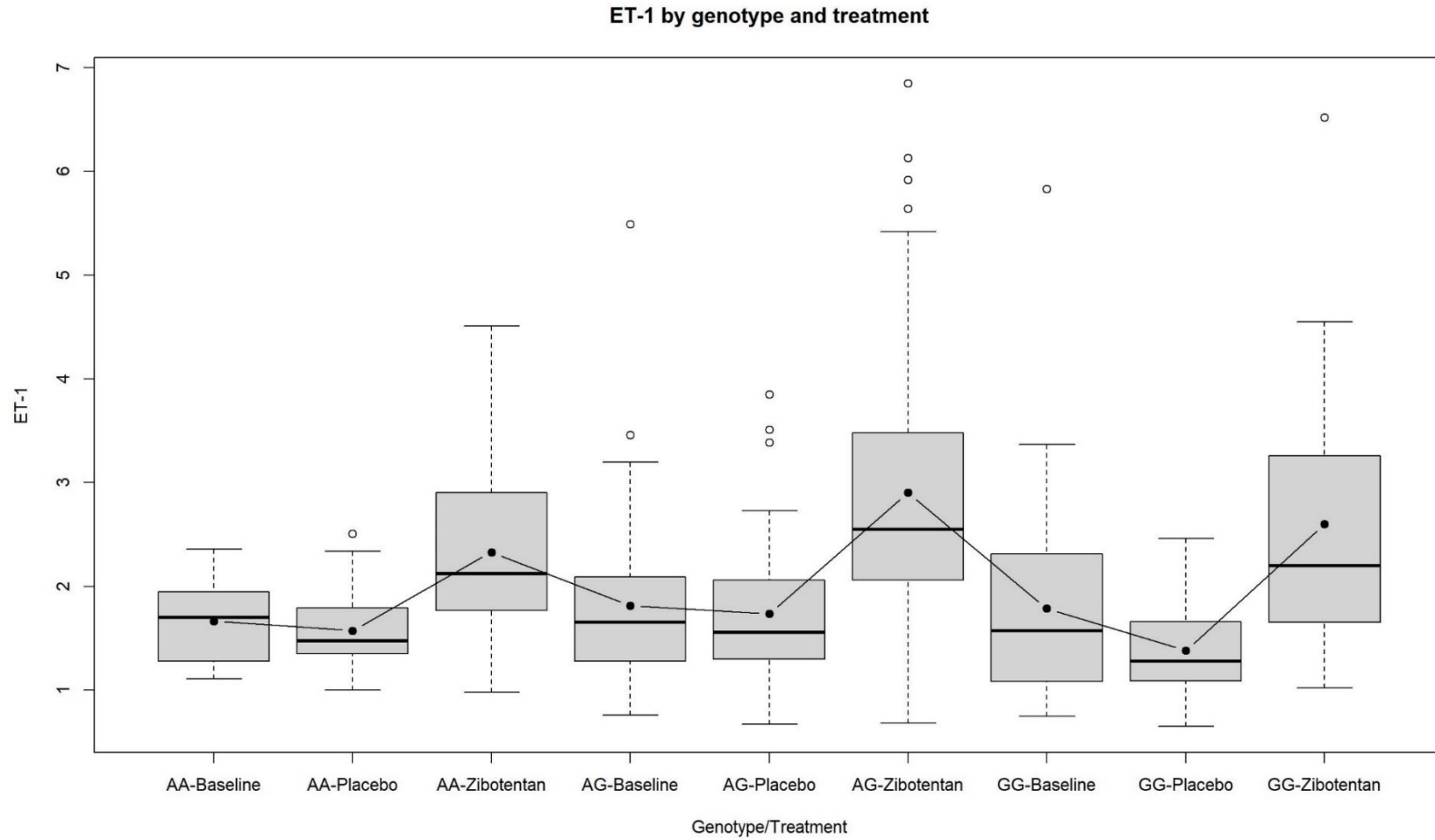
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1013 **Figure S1.** Plasma endothelin-1 concentration (pg/mL) by genotype alleles for rs9349379
1014 single nucleotide polymorphism and treatment: n=122 at baseline, n=95 placebo, n=94 zibotentan,
1015 and n=87 zibotentan - placebo. Compared to placebo, plasma endothelin-1 concentration increased
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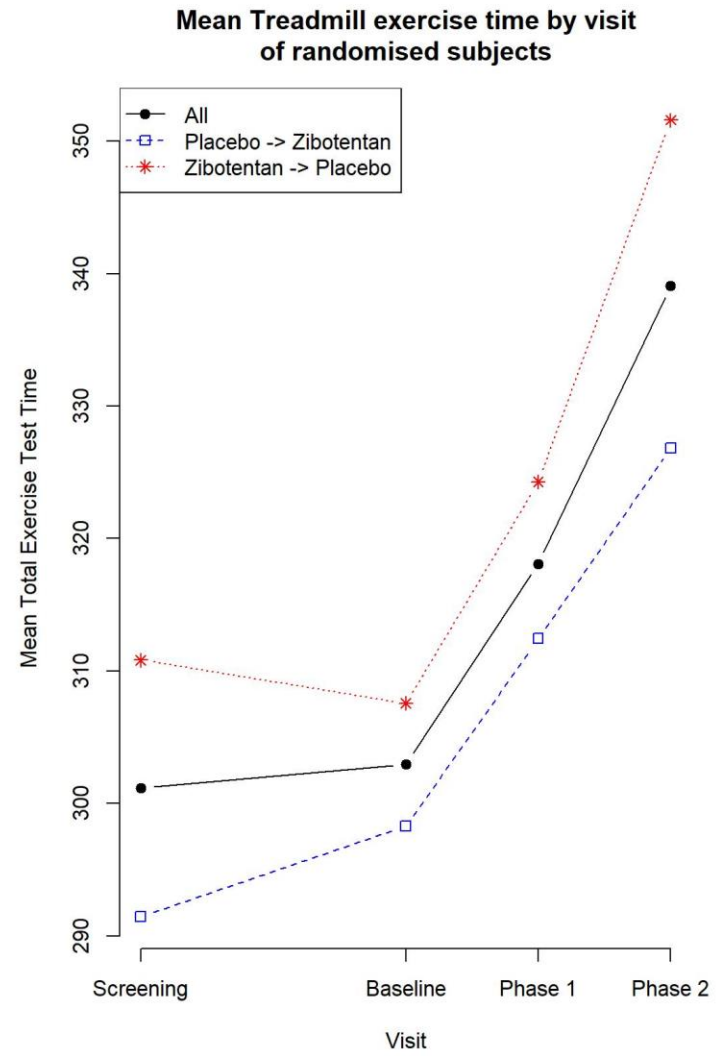
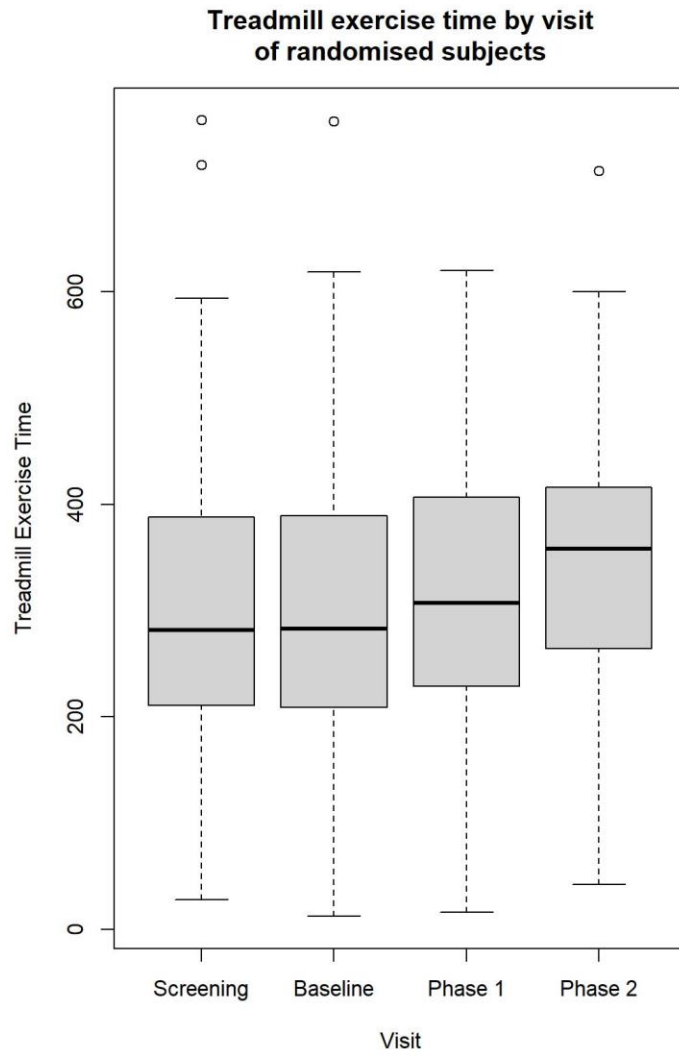
1018 **Figure S2.** Exercise test duration (seconds) by visit: baseline n=117; visit 3 vs. visit 4, n=103;
1019 visit 4 vs. visit 5, n=89; visit 5 vs. visit 3, n=103. The increase in exercise duration during the trial
1020 compared to before the trial reflects the subjective response (motivation) of the trial participants.

1021 **Figure S3.** Flowchart showing the rs9349379 SNP genotypes (AA, AG, GG) for participants
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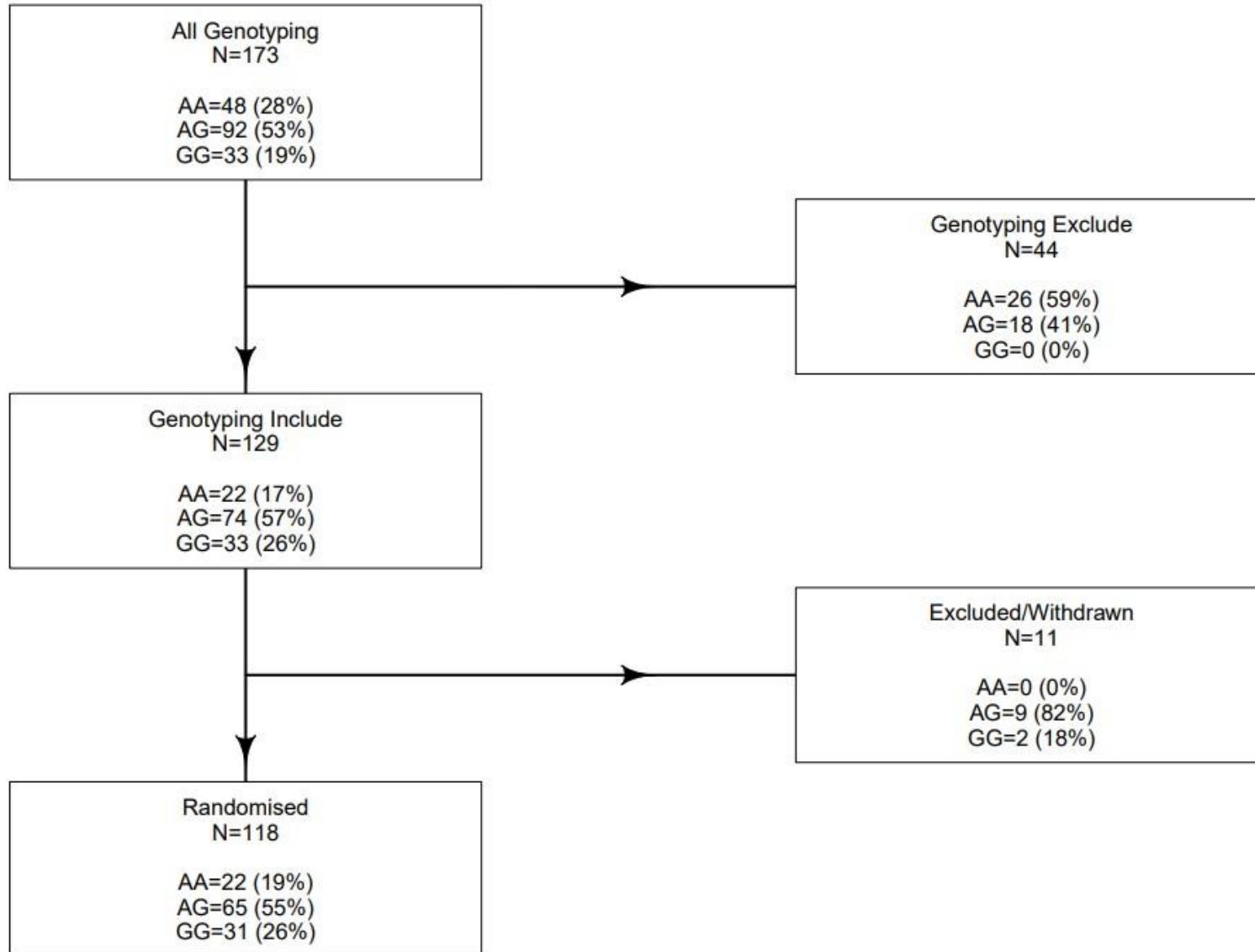
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Supplement – Tables

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2 **Table S1. Population characteristics.**

	Screened population, n = 222	Trial population, n = 118	MRI population, n = 23
<i>Demographics</i>			
Age ± SD, years	64.0 (10.0)	63.5 (9.2)	67.9 (9.7)
Male sex, n (%)	90 (40.5)	47 (39.8)	13 (56.5)
Female sex, n (%)	132 (59.5)	71 (60.2)	10 (43.5)
<i>Ethnicity, n (%)</i>			
White	209 (94.6)	113(95.8)	23 (100.0)
Asian Bangladeshi	1 (0.5)	1 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
Asian Indian	4 (1.8)	2 (1.7)	0 (0.0)
Asian Pakistani	1 (0.5)	1 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
Asian Other	2 (0.9)	1 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
Black African	1 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Chinese	1 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Other	2 (0.9)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Missing	1 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
<i>Genotype, n (%)*</i>			
AA	59 (29.1)	17 (16.5)	3 (13)
AG	107 (52.7)	59 (57.3)	14 (60.9)
GG	37 (18.2)	27 (26.2)	6 (26.1)
<i>Medical history, n (%)</i>			
Hospitalization for chest pain	136 (61.5)	75 (63.6)	13 (56.5)
Vasospastic angina	56 (41.2)	30 (40.0)	12 (52.2)
Hypertension	29 (21.3)	17 (22.7)	14 (60.9)
Diabetes, treated	13 (9.6)	9 (12.0)	3 (13.0)
Percutaneous coronary intervention	38 (27.9)	19 (25.3)	3 (13.0)
Myocardial infarction	55 (24.9)	32 (27.1)	1 (4.3)
Atrial fibrillation or flutter	121 (54.8)	64 (54.2)	1 (4.3)
1 Hospitalization for chest pain	56 (41.2)	30 (40.0)	6 (46.2)
2 Hospitalization for chest pain	29 (21.3)	17 (22.7)	2 (15.4)
3 Hospitalization for chest pain	13 (9.6)	9 (12.0)	1 (7.7)
>3 hospitalizations for chest pain	38 (27.9)	19 (25.3)	4 (30.8)
History of two or more coronary angiograms	30 (13.6)	13 (11.0)	1 (7.7)

<i>Smoking status, n (%)</i>			
Every day smoker	5 (2.3)	5 (2.3)	5 (2.3)
Some days smoker (smokes but not every day)	3 (1.4)	3 (1.4)	3 (1.4)
Former smoker (quit at time of interview)	97 (44.1)	97 (44.1)	97 (44.1)
Never smoked	115 (52.3)	115 (52.3)	115 (52.3)
<i>Coronary physiology</i>			
Coronary flow reserve*, median [interquartile range]	2.2 [1.6, 3.4]	2.3 [1.6, 3.8]	2.3 [1.6, 3.4]
Index of microvascular resistance**, median [interquartile range]	30.0 [23.0, 36.0]	30.0 [23.0, 36.0]	31.0 [25.0, 32.0]
<i>Cardiac imaging</i>	182 (82.4)	94 (79.7)	18 (78.3)
• Echocardiography	85 (46.7)	47 (50.0)	8 (44.4)
• Cardiovascular magnetic resonance imaging	83 (45.6)	41 (43.6)	8 (44.4)
• Computed tomography ventriculogram	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
• Positron emission tomography	1 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
• Single-photon emission computed tomography	10 (5.5)	5 (5.3)	2 (11.1)
• Other	3 (1.6)	1 (1.1)	0 (0.0)
• LV ejection fraction from cardiac imaging, mean (SD), %	62.0 (7.2)	62.5 (7.2)	63.4 (9.3)
<i>Presenting characteristics, mean (SD)</i>			
Body mass index, kg/m ²	29.6 (5.1)	29.0 (4.6)	27.1 (4.5)
Heart rate, mean (SD), bpm	72 (13)	73 (12)	69 (12)
Systolic blood pressure, mean (SD), mmHg	137 (19)	137 (18)	130 (16)
Diastolic blood pressure, mean (SD), mmHg	79 (12)	79 (12)	72 (11)
Canadian Cardiovascular Society angina class	219 (3)	118 (104)	23 (199)
I	40 (18.3)	14 (11.9)	2 (8.7)
II	133 (60.7)	79 (66.9)	18 (78.3)
III	45 (20.5)	24 (20.3)	3 (13.0)
IV	1 (0.5)	1 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
Not available	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
<i>Medication</i>			
Angina medication	205 (92.3)	109 (92.4)	23 (100.0)
0	• 17 (7.7%)	• 9 (7.6%)	0 (0.0%)
1	• 70 (31.5%)	• 30 (25.4%)	4 (17.4%)
2	• 78 (35.1%)	• 47 (39.8%)	10 (43.5%)
3	• 41 (18.5%)	• 20 (16.9%)	7 (30.4%)
4	• 14 (6.3%)	• 10 (8.5%)	1 (4.3%)
5	• 2 (0.9%)	• 2 (1.7%)	1 (4.3%)

Preventive medication	205 (92.3)	112 (94.9)	23 (100.0)
<i>Laboratory results at randomization</i>			
Hemoglobin, mean (SD), g/L	138 (13)	138 (12)	145 (11)
Minimum eGFR, ml/min/1.73m ²	71 (15)	72 (14)	70 (14)
HbA1c, mean mmol/mol Hb, %	40.9 (8.4)	41.3 (9.4)	37.7 (3.7)
NT-proBNP, median [IQR], pg/mL	88 [50, 179]	86 [49, 163]	145 [55, 244]

3 CI – confidence interval; estimated glomerular filtration rate; LV – left ventricular; NT-proBNP - N-terminal
4 pro-brain natriuretic peptide; SD – standard deviation. *Genotype data is available for 203/222 of the screened
5 population. **Coronary flow reserve (CFR) and the index of microvascular resistance (IMR) were recorded
6 prior to enrolment (cardiac history) in 78 of 222 individuals in the screened population. CFR and IMR were
7 available in 39 and 42 of 118 participants in the randomized trial population and in 10 and 12 of the 23 MRI
8 participants, respectively.

9 **Supplementary Table S2. Drug treatments recorded at screening and at randomization.**

	Screened population, n = 222	Trial population, n = 118	MRI population, n =23
<i>Cardiovascular medication, n (%)</i>			
Aldosterone receptor antagonist	6 (2.7)	4 (3.4)	1 (4.3)
Aspirin	128 (57.7)	73 (61.9)	19 (82.6)
Anti-Platelet medication	35 (15.8)	22 (18.6)	4 (17.4)
Statin	186 (83.8)	100 (84.7)	19 (82.6)
Other lipid lowering drug	15 (6.8)	11 (9.3)	1 (4.3)
Beta Blocker	100 (45.0)	51 (43.2)	11 (47.8)
Calcium Channel blocker	131 (59.0)	70 (59.3)	18 (78.3)
Long-acting nitrate	97 (43.7)	56 (47.5)	13 (56.5)
Nicorandil	40 (18.0)	26 (22.0)	7 (30.4)
ACE Inhibitor	69 (31.1)	36 (30.5)	8 (34.8)
Angiotensin receptor blocker	37 (16.7)	20 (16.9)	2 (8.7)
ACE Inhibitor or Angiotensin receptor blocker	106 (47.7)	56 (47.5)	10 (43.5)
Alpha blocker	10 (4.5)	4 (3.4)	2 (8.7)
Diuretic	18 (8.1)	6 (5.1)	1 (4.3)
Ranolazine	44 (19.8)	30 (25.4)	5 (21.7)
Ivabradine	3 (1.4)	1 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
Anticoagulant	25 (11.3)	9 (7.6)	1 (4.3)
<i>Other medication</i>			
Hormone replacement or oral contraceptive	15 (6.8)	9 (7.6)	0 (0.0)
Insulin	7 (3.2)	6 (5.1)	0 (0.0)
Antidepressant	45 (20.3)	22 (18.6)	4 (17.4)
Neuroleptic	11 (5.0)	7 (5.9)	0 (0.0)
Proton pump inhibitor	132 (59.5)	70 (59.3)	12 (52.2)
Oral analgesic	48 (21.6)	25 (21.2)	4 (17.4)

10 ACE – angiotensin converting enzyme.

11 **Supplementary Table S3.** Exercise test findings.

	Baseline, n	Baseline value	After placebo, n	After placebo value	After zibotentan, n	After zibotentan value	Effect estimate	95% CI	p-value
<i>Rest</i>									
Heart rate	117	73 (12)	98	72 (12)	94	72 (11)	-0.2	(-2.24, 1.84)	0.85
Sinus rhythm, n (%)	113	113 (96.6%)	91	91 (92.9%)	89	89 (94.7%)			
Atrial fibrillation, n (%)	1	1 (0.9%)	1	1 (1.0%)	2	2 (2.1%)			
Pacemaker	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)			
SBP, mean (SD), mmHg	117	135 (17)	98	134 (18)	94	128 (17)	-5.88	(-9.31, -2.45)	0.001
Rate pressure product, mean (SD), mmHg*bpm	117	160.2 (7.9)	98	160.1 (8.1)	94	159.3 (7.5)	0.01	(-0.32, 0.34)	0.96
Maximum predicted age-sex related heart rate, mean (SD),	117	1.7 (0.0)	98	1.7 (0.1)	94	1.7 (0.0)	0	(-0.01, 0.02)	0.47
Maximum predicted age-sex related heart rate, mean (SD),	117	160.2 (7.9)	98	160.1 (8.1)	94	159.3 (7.5)	0.01	(-0.32, 0.34)	0.96
Starting treadmill speed, mean (SD), mph	117	1.7 (0.0)	98	1.7 (0.1)	94	1.7 (0.0)	0	(-0.01, 0.02)	0.47
Starting treadmill slope, mean (SD), %	117	10.0 (0.0)	98	10.0 (0.0)	94				
<i>Exercise, peak</i>									
Heart rate at peak exercise, mean (SD)	117	125 (20)	98	125 (20)	94	124 (20)	-0.72	(-3.32, 1.89)	0.59
SBP at peak exercise, mean (SD), mmHg	116	163 (28)	98	167 (28)	94	162 (27)	-5.09	(-10.44, 0.22)	0.064
DBP at peak exercise, mean (SD), mmHg	116	80 (15)	98	83 (15)	94	76 (14)	-6.54	(-10.05, -3.05)	<0.001
Time to 0.1 mV ST depression from baseline, mean (SD), seconds	56	309 (137)	42	298 (107)	44	313 (113)	1.07	(0.66, 1.74)	0.79
Time to maximum ST depression, mean (SD), seconds	111	301 (143)	92	320 (124)	89	314 (132)	-5.92	(-25.22, 13.45)	0.55
Rate pressure product, mean (SD), mmHg*bpm	116	19881 (5306)	98	20201 (5521)	94	19317 (5487)	-692.3	(-1452.32, 61.89)	0.076
Exercise time, mean (SD), seconds	117	125 (20)	98	125 (20)	94	124 (20)	-0.72	(-3.32, 1.89)	0.59

<i>Exercise, post</i>									
Ventricular ectopic beats during recovery, mean (SD), number per minute	104	1.0 (2.5)	87	0.9 (2.5)	80	2.1 (5.5)	1.18	(0.03, 2.34)	0.048
Maximum ST depression, mean (SD), mm	114	-0.9 (0.8)	92	-0.9 (0.8)	92	-0.9 (0.8)	-0.01	(-0.21, 0.19)	0.93
Maximum net ST segment deviation, mean (SD), mm	114	-0.4 (1.5)	93	-0.4 (1.4)	89	-0.1 (1.4)	0.29	(-0.08, 0.66)	0.12
ST/heart rate hysteresis, mean (SD), mV	76	0.0 (0.0)	67	0.0 (0.0)	62	0.0 (0.0)	0.01	(0.00, 0.01)	0.042
Heart rate reserve used, %	117	67.4 (19.6)	98	66.5 (21.3)	94	66.8 (21.1)	0.88	(-1.66, 3.44)	0.5
Maximum workload from ECG, mean (SD), METS	116	7.1 (2.2)	98	7.5 (2.1)	92	7.2 (2.1)	-0.27	(-0.58, 0.03)	0.082
Final treadmill speed, mean (SD), mph	117	2.7 (0.7)	98	2.8 (0.7)	94	2.8 (0.7)	-0.02	(-0.13, 0.08)	0.69
Final treadmill slope, mean (SD), %	117	12.4 (1.6)	98	12.7 (1.5)	94	12.7 (1.6)	-0.05	(-0.28, 0.18)	0.67
Stage of Bruce protocol at end of test	117	117 (1)	98	98 (2)					
1	23	23 (19.7%)	14	14 (14.3%)					
2	55	55 (47.0%)	39	39 (39.8%)					
3	34	34 (29.1%)	40	40 (40.8%)					
4	4	4 (3.4%)	5	5 (5.1%)					
5	1	1 (0.9%)	0	0 (0.0%)					
Exercise test stopped early, n (%)	78	78 (66.7%)	64	64 (65.3%)					
First reason for stopping	78	78 (0)	64	64 (0)					
Chest tightness	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)					
Breathlessness	56	56 (71.8%)	34	34 (53.1%)					
Fatigue (exercise intolerance)	20	20 (25.6%)	26	26 (40.6%)					
Dizziness	1	1 (1.3%)	1	1 (1.6%)					
Palpitations	1	1 (1.3%)	1	1 (1.6%)					
Non-cardiac reason e.g. back pain	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)					
Borg scale response									
6-11	1	1 (0.9%)	2	2 (2.0%)	1	1 (1.1%)			
12-16	98	98 (83.8%)	89	89 (90.8%)	83	83 (88.3%)			
17-20	18	18 (15.4%)	7	7 (7.1%)	10	10 (10.6%)			

Angina scale for exercise tolerance test									
0	18	18 (15.4%)	42	42 (42.9%)	37	37 (39.4%)			
1	41	41 (35.0%)	17	17 (17.3%)	17	17 (18.1%)			
2	29	29 (24.8%)	17	17 (17.3%)	21	21 (22.3%)			
3	29	29 (24.8%)	22	22 (22.4%)	19	19 (20.2%)			
4	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)	0	0 (0.0%)			
Angina index for Duke score									
0	117	117 (1)	98	98 (2)	94	94 (3)			
1	19	19 (16.2%)	43	43 (43.9%)	37	37 (39.4%)			
2	38	38 (32.5%)	19	19 (19.4%)	16	16 (17.0%)			
Duke exercise score, mean (SD)	114	1.7 (8.9)	93	3.5 (7.8)	90	1.7 (8.7)	-1.78	(-3.59, 0.04)	0.059
VO2, mean (SD), METS	117	22.9 (6.1)	98	24.2 (5.8)	94	24.0 (6.1)	-0.18	(-1.08, 0.72)	0.7

12 CI – confidence interval; DBP - diastolic blood pressure; METS - metabolic equivalent; SBP - systolic blood pressure; SD – standard

13 deviation; VO2 - maximal rate of oxygen consumption;

14 Supplementary Table S4. Safety blood tests.

	Baseline, n	Baseline value	After placebo, n	After placebo value	After zibotentan, n	After zibotentan value	Effect estimate	95% CI	p-value
<i>Hematology</i>									
Hemoglobin, mean (SD), g/L	116	139 (13)	97	138 (12)	92	131 (12)	-7.73	(-9.43, -6.01)	<0.001
White cell count, mean (SD), x10⁹/L	116	7 (3)	97	7 (3)	92	7 (2)	-0.48	(-0.80, -0.16)	0.004
Platelet count, mean (SD), x10⁹/L	115	243 (61)	97	246 (63)	92	235 (63)	-9.67	(-16.62, -2.71)	0.008
<i>Renal function</i>									
Potassium, mean (SD), mmol/L	117	4.3 (0.4)	97	4.3 (0.3)	92	4.3 (0.3)	-0.05	(-0.12, 0.01)	0.098
Urea, mean (SD), mmol/L	113	5.6 (1.5)	94	5.9 (3.9)	91	5.6 (1.6)	-0.31	(-1.12, 0.50)	0.45
Creatinine, mean (SD), mean (SD), μmol/L	117	74 (17)	97	75 (17)	92	77 (21)	1.55	(-0.14, 3.23)	0.075
eGFR, ml/min/1.73m ²	117	72 (13)	97	70 (13)	92	70 (14)	-0.54	(-1.78, 0.69)	0.39
<i>Liver function</i>									
Alanine transaminase, mean (SD), U/L	117	27 (13)	97	27 (16)	92	25 (10)	-2.67	(-4.78, -0.55)	0.015
Aspartate transaminase, mean (SD), U/L	92	26 (11)	82	26 (11)	78	24 (8)	-1.58	(-3.35, 0.18)	0.084
Alkaline phosphatase, mean (SD), U/L	116	84 (21)	96	86 (26)	92	80 (21)	-5.57	(-8.37, -2.75)	<0.001
Albumin, mean (SD), g/L	117	42 (4)	97	42 (5)	92	41 (3)	-0.81	(-1.68, 0.05)	0.068
Bilirubin, mean (SD), μmol/L	117	11 (7)	97	11 (6)	92	10 (6)	-0.67	(-1.16, -0.18)	0.009
<i>Lipid profile</i>									
Total cholesterol, mean (SD), mmol/L	117	4.3 (1.0)	95	4.3 (1.2)	92	4.0 (1.1)	-0.33	(-0.46, -0.20)	<0.001
HDL, mean (SD), mmol/L	117	1.5 (0.6)	95	1.4 (0.4)	91	1.4 (0.4)	0	(-0.04, 0.04)	0.88
LDL cholesterol, mean (SD), mmol/L	111	2.1 (0.9)	91	2.1 (0.9)	88	1.9 (0.9)	-0.26	(-0.36, -0.16)	<0.001
VLDL cholesterol, mean (SD), mmol/L	46	0.7 (0.3)	42	0.7 (0.4)	36	0.7 (0.3)	-0.08	(-0.16, 0.01)	0.083
Cholesterol/HDL ratio, mean (SD), mmol/L	117	3.1 (0.9)	95	3.2 (1.3)	91	3.0 (1.2)	-0.26	(-0.38, -0.15)	<0.001
Triglycerides, mean (SD), mmol/L	117	1.7 (1.4)	95	1.8 (1.9)	92	1.8 (2.8)	-0.04	(-0.27, 0.20)	0.77
<i>Glucose metabolism</i>									
Glucose, mean (SD), mmol/L	84	6.1 (2.6)	81	6.2 (2.6)	73	5.7 (2.0)	-0.32	(-0.77, 0.13)	0.16
HbA1c, mean mmol/mol Hb, %	114	41.5 (9.6)	97	42.2 (10.5)	89	40.5 (9.9)	-1.85	(-2.67, -1.02)	<0.001

<i>Cardiac biomarkers</i>									
NT-proBNP, median [IQR], pg/mL	111	133 (139)	91	131 (138)	90	157 (225)	23.07	(-15.04, 61.16)	0.24
High sensitivity troponin I, median [IQR], ng/L	109	6.4 (16.8)	93	5.5 (13.4)	93	14.0 (78.3)	8.78	(-7.34, 24.89)	0.29

15 Hb – hemoglobin, SD – standard deviation; HDL - High-density lipoprotein; LDL - low-density lipoprotein; NT-proBNP - N-terminal

16 (NT)-pro hormone brain natriuretic peptide; VLDL - very-low density lipoprotein

17 **Supplementary Table S5. Hemodynamics and biomarkers.**

	Baseline, n	Baseline	After placebo, n	After placebo	After zibotentan, n	After zibotentan	Effect estimate	95% CI	p-value
<i>Blood pressure</i>									
Systolic blood pressure, mean (SD), mmHg	117	135 (18)	98	135 (16)	95	129 (17)	-5.49	(-8.49, -2.50)	<0.001
Diastolic blood pressure, mean (SD), mmHg	117	77 (12)	98	78 (11)	95	72 (11)	-6.19	(-8.41, -3.97)	<0.001
Heart rate	103	73 (12)	98	72 (12)	94	72 (11)	-0.20	(-2.24, 1.84)	0.85
<i>Endothelial function</i>									
Big endothelin-1, pmol/L	108	0.39 (0.14)	93	0.40 (0.23)	94	0.56 (0.21)	0.16	(0.11, 0.21)	<0.001
Endothelin-1, pg/ml	112	1.8 (0.8)	95	1.6 (0.6)	94	2.7 (1.3)	1.17	(0.91, 1.42)	<0.001
Mid regional pro-adrenomedullin, nmol/L	110	0.6 (0.2)	92	0.6 (0.2)	90	0.6 (0.2)	0.02	(-0.01, 0.06)	0.15
<i>Cardiac biomarkers</i>									
NT-proBNP, median [IQR], pg/mL	111	133 (139)	91	131 (138)	90	157 (225)	23.07	(-15.04, 61.16)	0.24
High sensitivity troponin I, median [IQR], ng/L	109	6.4 (16.8)	93	5.5 (13.4)	93	14.0 (78.3)	8.78	(-7.34, 24.89)	0.29
<i>Inflammation</i>									
Peak C-reactive protein, median (IQR), mg/L	110	1.9 (2.5)	94	2.3 (4.2)	90	1.8 (2.3)	-0.59	(-1.45, 0.27)	0.18
ICAM-1, median (IQR), ng/mL	114	599.9 (217.5)	96	595.1 (214.9)	95	581.0 (206.3)	-0.5	(-40.85, 39.63)	0.98
VCAM-1, median (IQR), ng/mL	114	1168.5 (428.7)	96	1115.3 (400.4)	95	1158.8 (466.5)	46.12	(-41.22, 133.95)	0.3
Interleukin-6, median [IQR], pg/mL	114	3.6 (2.8)	96	3.8 (2.6)	93	3.5 (2.4)	-0.28	(-0.83, 0.26)	0.31
<i>Metabolism</i>									
Glucose, mean (SD), mmol/L	115	5.6 (2.2)	96	5.6 (2.3)	95	5.3 (1.7)	-0.37	(-0.74, 0.00)	0.054
Total cholesterol, mean (SD), mmol/L	114	3.9 (1.1)	96	3.8 (1.3)	93	3.5 (1.1)	-0.36	(-0.52, -0.21)	<0.001
High-density lipoprotein, mean (SD), mmol/L	114	1.3 (0.3)	96	1.3 (0.4)	93	1.2 (0.4)	-0.02	(-0.07, 0.03)	0.39
Triglyceride, mean (SD), mmol/L	113	1.7 (1.0)	96	1.6 (1.1)	92	1.5 (0.9)	-0.2	(-0.36, -0.04)	0.018
Uric acid, mean (SD), mmol/L	114	4.8 (1.3)	96	4.6 (1.3)	92	4.5 (1.4)	-0.1	(-0.29, 0.08)	0.27

<i>Collagen turnover</i>									
PIIINP, mean (SD), µg/L	114	7.9 (2.6)	96	7.7 (2.2)	94	8.2 (2.3)	0.53	(0.14, 0.92)	0.009
<i>Fluid homeostasis</i>									
Copeptin, mean (SD), pmol/L	112	5.4 (3.9)	93	5.2 (3.7)	90	5.5 (4.5)	0.46	(-0.14, 1.07)	0.14
<i>Renal function</i>									
Cystatin C, mean (SD), mg/L	114	0.9 (0.2)	96	0.8 (0.2)	93	0.8 (0.2)	0.02	(-0.01, 0.05)	0.23

18 ICAM-1 - Intercellular adhesion molecule-1; Hb – hemoglobin; HDL - High-density lipoprotein; LDL - low-density lipoprotein; NT-
19 proBNP - N-terminal (NT)-pro hormone brain natriuretic peptide; PIIINP - amino terminal peptide of type III procollagen; SD –
20 standard deviation; VLDL - very-low density lipoprotein; VCAM-1 - vascular cell adhesion protein-1.

21 **Supplementary Table S6. Cardiovascular MRI.**

	Baseline, n	Baseline	After placebo, n	After placebo	After zibotentan, n	After zibotentan	Effect estimate	95% CI	p-value
<i>Cardiac dimensions</i>									
<i>Atria</i>									
RA area, end-diastole, cm ²	23	39.57 (25.02)	19	41.29 (15.87)	17	42.74 (17.22)	1.01	(-6.00, 8.00)	0.79
LA area, end-diastole, cm ²	23	33.66 (16.88)	19	31.95 (9.80)	17	37.19 (10.98)	5.07	(-0.15, 10.40)	0.079
<i>Ventricles</i>									
LV EDVi mean (SD), mL/m²	23	72.44 (13.86)	19	75.48 (11.08)	17	84.63 (14.52)	9.4	(4.80, 13.97)	<0.001
LV ESVi, mean (SD), mL/m²	23	25.84 (7.67)	19	26.02 (6.82)	17	29.67 (9.29)	3.73	(1.65, 5.82)	0.003
LV mass (diastole), mean (SD), g	23	93.26 (20.95)	19	96.51 (16.60)	17	102.86 (17.34)	5.23	(0.86, 9.61)	0.03
RV EDVi, mean (SD), mL/m²	23	77.35 (17.90)	19	82.55 (14.92)	17	88.66 (13.92)	7.17	(1.19, 12.92)	0.03
RV ESVi, mean (SD), mL/m ²	23	44.27 (11.81)	19	49.30 (10.13)	17	51.55 (9.21)	2.38	(-2.89, 7.51)	0.39
<i>Left ventricular function</i>									
LV ejection fraction, mean (SD), %	23	64.62 (6.36)	19	65.73 (6.01)	17	65.43 (6.26)	-0.3	(-2.39, 1.77)	0.78
Global circumferential strain	23	-19.43 (2.89)	19	-19.21 (2.42)	17	-20.10 (2.82)	-0.85	(-1.95, 0.24)	0.15
Mean circumferential strain, Ecc	23	-19.83 (2.49)	19	-19.31 (2.24)	17	-20.01 (3.43)	-0.65	(-2.15, 0.85)	0.41
Mean longitudinal strain, Ell	23	-13.42 (8.80)	19	-14.97 (2.12)	17	-14.49 (3.77)	0.66	(-0.91, 2.27)	0.43
Mean radial strain, Err	23	38.10 (7.48)	19	36.88 (6.96)	17	39.49 (8.84)	2.63	(-0.62, 5.81)	0.13
<i>Myocardial tissue characteristics</i>									
Global native T1 relaxation time, ms	23	1143.50 (122.02)	18	1128.44 (117.55)	17	1155.65 (133.04)	30.72	(16.30, 45.50)	<0.001
Global extracellular volume	20	25.67 (3.28)	12	27.43 (3.13)	12	28.58 (3.08)	2.01	(0.65, 3.16)	0.016
<i>Hemodynamics, rest</i>									
Heart rate, /min	16	62.00 (9.87)	15	60.73 (8.33)	13	60.69 (12.43)	-2.82	(-5.93, 0.39)	0.11
Stroke volume index, ml/m²	23	46.61 (9.08)	19	49.46 (7.29)	17	54.97 (7.98)	5.56	(1.89, 9.18)	0.009
<i>Hemodynamics, adenosine stress</i>									
Heart rate, stress, /min	16	85.12 (9.86)	15	81.53 (5.64)	13	76.46 (10.80)	-6.62	(-10.28, -2.76)	0.005

Heart rate increase (stress vs. rest), /min	16	38.84 (16.60)	15	35.77 (14.63)	13	28.40 (18.32)	-4.63	(-12.26, 2.94)	0.26
Systolic blood pressure, mmHg	18	139.22 (18.18)	16	144.12 (17.42)	15	130.93 (16.64)	-11.8	(-15.99, -7.71)	<0.001
Diastolic blood pressure, mmHg	18	72.44 (9.49)	16	78.62 (12.10)	15	72.47 (14.24)	-5.94	(-10.69, -1.23)	0.03
<i>Myocardial blood flow, rest</i>									
Global, ml/min/g	23	0.75 (0.26)	17	0.67 (0.18)	16	0.78 (0.20)	0.14	(0.07, 0.20)	<0.001
Subendocardium, ml/min/g	18	0.73 (0.20)	14	0.67 (0.18)	13	0.83 (0.21)	0.12	(0.05, 0.19)	0.006
Subepicardium, ml/min/g	18	0.69 (0.22)	14	0.62 (0.18)	13	0.78 (0.22)	0.12	(0.06, 0.19)	0.004
Endocardial: epicardial ratio	18	1.08 (0.09)	14	1.08 (0.04)	13	1.07 (0.07)	0	(-0.03, 0.02)	0.87
<i>Myocardial blood flow, stress</i>									
Global, ml/min/g	20	2.00 (0.42)	17	2.01 (0.51)	17	1.96 (0.38)	0.01	(-0.19, 0.21)	0.92
Subendocardium, ml/min/g	16	1.94 (0.37)	14	1.87 (0.41)	14	1.82 (0.38)	-0.02	(-0.18, 0.16)	0.85
Subepicardium, ml/min/g	16	2.18 (0.46)	14	2.13 (0.49)	14	2.06 (0.45)	0.01	(-0.15, 0.18)	0.91
Endocardial: epicardial ratio	16	0.90 (0.08)	14	0.88 (0.07)	14	0.88 (0.05)	-0.01	(-0.04, 0.03)	0.71
<i>Myocardial perfusion reserve</i>									
Global	15	3.15 (0.63)	13	3.31 (0.56)	12	2.50 (0.78)	-0.67	(-1.06, -0.30)	0.005
Subendocardium	15	2.80 (0.57)	13	2.98 (0.54)	12	2.23 (0.68)	-0.64	(-0.99, -0.28)	0.003
Subepicardium	15	3.44 (0.72)	13	3.59 (0.63)	12	2.73 (0.88)	-0.71	(-1.13, -0.32)	0.005

22 EDVi – end-diastolic volume index, ESVi – end-systolic volume index.

Supplementary Table S7. Sites, participants enrolled and randomized.

Site	Date first recruited	Participants enrolled, n	Participants randomized, n
All	28 October 2019	222	118 (53.2%)
Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board	28 October 2019	82	46 (56.1%)
Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	16 November 2020	50	21 (42%)
Leeds General Infirmary, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	18 January 2021	16	13 (81.2%)
Glenfield Hospital, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust	24 September 2020	15	11 (73.3%)
John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	28 October 2020	14	4 (28.6%)
Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust	22 April 2021	10	4 (40.0%)
Blackpool Victoria Hospital, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	17 November 2020	10	8 (80%)
Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust	07 April 2021	11	5 (45.5%)
Hammersmith Hospital, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust	01 June 2021	7	3 (42.9%)
Newcastle Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	23 March 2022	4	1 (25%)
Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	16 February 2022	2	1 (50%)
Basildon University Hospital, Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust	27 April 2022	1	1 (100%)

Supplementary Table S8. Sites participating in the cardiovascular MRI study and scanner types.

Site	MRI scanner	Field strength	Coils
All			
Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board	MAGNETOM PRISMA, Siemens	3.0 Tesla	Anterior - x2 18-channel surface coils Spine - 32-channel coil
John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Magnetom Siemens Avanto fit	1.5 Tesla	Anterior 18 channel surface coil
Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	MAGNETOM PRISMA, Siemens	3.0 Tesla	Body coil, 32 channel
Leeds General Infirmary, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	MAGNETOM PRISMA, Siemens	3.0 Tesla	Anterior - x2 18-channel surface coils Posterior - Spine 32-channel coil
Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust	Siemens Aera	1.5 Tesla	Body Matrix

27 **Supplementary Table S9. COVADIS criteria for microvascular angina.²⁸**

Criterion	Definition
1. Symptoms of myocardial ischemia	Effort and/or rest angina Angina equivalents (i.e. shortness of breath)
2. Absence of obstructive CAD (>50% diameter reduction and/or FFR <0.80) by either:	CT coronary angiography Invasive coronary angiography
3. Objective evidence of myocardial ischemia	Ischemic ECG changes during an episode of chest pain Stress-induced chest pain and/or ischemic ECG changes in the presence of transient/reversible abnormal myocardial perfusion and/or wall motion abnormality
4. Evidence of impaired coronary microvascular function	Impaired coronary flow reserve (cut-off values depending on methodology use between ≤ 2.0 and ≤ 2.5) Coronary microvascular spasm, defined as reproduction of symptoms, ischemic ECG shifts but no epicardial spasm during acetylcholine testing. Abnormal coronary microvascular resistance indices (e.g. index of microvascular resistance >25 , hyperaemic microvascular resistance ≥ 2.5 mm Hg·cm ⁻¹ ·s) Coronary slow flow phenomenon

28 In order to participate in the trial, the patient should have a diagnosis of microvascular angina (probable or definite). Probable microvascular angina
 29 is defined as having 3 of the 4 COVADIS criteria. Definite microvascular angina requires all 4 COVADIS criteria. Participants in this trial should
 30 also all fulfil criteria 1 & 2.

31 **Supplementary Table S10. COVID-19 timeline for healthcare restrictions in NHS Scotland, United Kingdom.**

16 March 2020	Suspension of clinical research Deployment of medical research staff to clinical service Non-essential social contact prohibited, and stay-at-home policy implemented
1 June 2020	Clinical research restarted. In-person site visits prohibited
5 November 2020	Second national lockdown
4 January 2021	Third national lockdown
29 March 2021	Stay-at-home order ends
1 July 2021	In-person visits for clinical research restarted

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33 **Supplementary Table S11. Primary outcome analysis by COVADIS diagnostic subgroup.**

Primary outcome - COVADIS subgroups	Outcome	n	Variable	Estimate	CI	P-value
Probable		54 participants				
	Baseline		0.78	(0.66, 0.90)	<0.0001	
	Visit-5 vs Visit-4		28.6	(11.87, 45.32)	0.0016	
	Zibotentan vs Placebo		-10.08	(-26.89, 6.58)	0.2439	
Definitive		47 participants				
	Baseline		0.86	(0.73, 0.99)	<0.0001	
	Visit-5 vs Visit-4		9.45	(-19.48, 37.86)	0.5211	
	Zibotentan vs Placebo		5.45	(-23.16, 33.97)	0.7104	
Interaction						0.3218

34 **Supplementary Table S12. COVADIS diagnostic criteria groups.**

Variable	Randomised
	(N = 118)
Data available*	115 (97.5%)
<i>Microvascular angina (COVADIS)</i>	
Not present	0 (0.0%)
Probable	64 (55.7%)
Definitive	51 (44.3%)

35 *Whilst COVADIS criteria data is missing for n=3 participants, their sites confirm the presence of at least probable
 36 microvascular angina at the eligibility stage.

37 **Supplementary table S13. Serious Adverse Events.**

SAE	Treatment	Unblinded?	SUSAR	
1	Zibotentan	No	No	Hyponatremia (in context of infective gastroenteritis)
2	Zibotentan	No	Yes	Hypotension, polypharmacy, hospital admission
3	Placebo	No	No	COVID19 infection, hospitalized, during placebo run-in
4	Placebo ¹	No	Yes	ACS during treatment phase 1 (placebo), acute plaque rupture event, primary PCI to occluded circumflex
5	Placebo ¹	No	No	Hospitalized for thrombophlebitis secondary to peripheral cannula (not inserted during study visit)
6	Nil ²	No	No	Troponin negative chest pain admission after enrolment but prior to placebo run-in
7	Zibotentan	No	No	Acute coronary syndrome during treatment phase 2 (zibotentan)
8	Placebo	No	No	Epistaxis requiring admission under Ear, Nose and Throat Department
9	Zibotentan	No	No	Troponin negative chest pain admission during treatment phase 1 (zibotentan)
10	Placebo	No	No	Admission with dyspepsia. Barrett's esophagus on endoscopy
11	Zibotentan	No	Yes	Troponin negative chest pain admission during treatment phase 1 (zibotentan)
12	Placebo	No	No	Admission with worsening angina during treatment phase 1 (placebo)
13	Zibotentan	No	Yes	Admitted with headache, visual disturbance and transient loss of consciousness during treatment phase 1 (zibotentan). Transient ischemic attack/stroke excluded on MRI/CT.
14	Zibotentan	No	No	Upper gastro-intestinal bleed. Urgent endoscopy and blood transfusion.

38 ¹Events occurred in the same participant.

39 **Supplementary Table S14. Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) subscale analysis.**

Outcome	Variable	Estimate	CI	P-value
SAQ - Total Score	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	1.33	(-2.01, 4.66)	0.437
SAQ - Total Score	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-1.87	(-5.20, 1.44)	0.2721
SAQ - Physical Limitation	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	0.06	(-3.67, 3.74)	0.975
SAQ - Physical Limitation	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-2.32	(-6.03, 1.35)	0.2205
SAQ - Anginal Stability	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	-3.54	(-9.82, 2.73)	0.2726
SAQ - Anginal Stability	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-0.11	(-6.38, 6.15)	0.9717
SAQ - Anginal Frequency	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	2.81	(-1.54, 7.14)	0.2069
SAQ - Anginal Frequency	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-1.29	(-5.62, 3.03)	0.5593
SAQ - Treatment Satisfaction	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	-0.88	(-3.63, 1.85)	0.5316
SAQ - Treatment Satisfaction	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-1.59	(-4.32, 1.14)	0.2557
SAQ - Disease Perception-Burden	Visit-5 vs Visit-4	1.03	(-2.72, 4.81)	0.5925
SAQ - Disease Perception-Burden	Zibotentan vs Placebo	-1.94	(-5.69, 1.82)	0.3129

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42 **Supplementary Table S15. Primary and secondary efficacy outcomes (zibotentan vs. placebo), intention-to-treat. Additional data**
 43 **relating to Table 2.**

	Baseline, n	Baseline value	Zibotentan vs. placebo, n	Effect estimate	95% CI	p-value
<i>Primary outcome</i>						
Exercise duration, mean (SD), seconds	117	303 (133)	103	-4.26	(-19.60, 11.06)	0.5871
<i>Secondary outcomes</i>						
<i>Exercise testing</i>						
Time to 1 mm ST-depression, seconds*	56	309 (137)	103	1.0698*	(0.66, 1.74) *	0.7855*
Maximum ST-segment deviation, mV	114	-0.4 (1.5)	101	0.29	(-0.08, 0.66)	0.1217
Time to 75% of max age-related heart rate during exercise, seconds*	73	220 (124)	103	0.9591*	(0.63, 1.47) *	0.8472*
Metabolic equivalent (METs), O ₂ /kg/min	117	7.8 (2.4)	103	-0.27	(-0.58, 0.03)	0.0822
DUKE Score	114	1.7 (8.9)	101	-1.78	(-3.59, 0.04)	0.0585
<i>Angina burden, median (IQR)</i>						
Seattle Angina Questionnaire-7 summary score	117	60 (46, 75)	101	-1.87	(-5.20, 1.44)	0.2721
<i>Health status, mean (SD)</i>						
Health-related quality of life EQ-5D-5L score	117	0.83 (0.16)	103	-0.007	(-0.03, 0.02)	0.5925
Patient assessed EQ-5D-5L score	117	70 (20)	103	-2.08	(-5.34, 1.18)	0.2148
<i>Illness perception, median (IQR)</i>						
Brief Illness Perception Questionnaire score	117	40 (30, 46)	102	0.17	(-1.86, 2.22)	0.8691
<i>Anxiety and depression, mean (SD)</i>						
PHQ-4 total score	117	2 (3)	103	0.01	(-0.53, 0.55)	0.9611
<i>Treatment satisfaction questionnaire for medication</i>						
Effectiveness scale	117	63 (19)	102	-1.03	(-4.93, 2.89)	0.6083
Convenience scale	117	84 (16)	102	-0.58	(-3.05, 1.92)	0.6498
Satisfaction scale	117	69 (23)	102	-2.76	(-6.66, 1.14)	0.1693

44 *Time (s) to 1 mm ST-depression and time (s) to 75% of max age-related heart rate during exercise were analyzed based on survival with no
 45 baseline adjustments using a mixed effects cox model with fixed effects of treatment, visit and random effect of participant and hazard ratios

46 are shown rather than effect estimates. Of 118 participants who were randomized, 117 participants had an exercise test at baseline, 103
47 participants had an exercise test at baseline and at least one exercise test during follow up after either placebo or zibotentan and were included
48 in the primary analysis, and 89 participants had complete data.

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