<u>Aspirin Supplementation for Pregnancy Indicated Risk Reduction In Nulliparas</u> (ASPIRIN)

Summary:

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ABSTRACT

Background:

Preterm birth (PTB) remains the leading cause of neonatal mortality and long term disability throughout the world. Though complex in its origins, a growing body of evidence suggests that first trimester administration of low dose aspirin (LDA) holds promise to reduce the rate of PTB substantially.

Hypothesis:

First trimester administration of aspirin will reduce the risk of preterm birth.

Study Design Type:

Prospective randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blinded multicenter clinical trial. Trial will be individually randomized with one-to-one ratio (intervention/control)

Population:

Nulliparous women between the ages of 18 and 40, with a singleton pregnancy between 6 0/7 weeks and 13 6/7 weeks gestational age (GA) confirmed by ultrasound prior to enrollment, no more than two previous first trimester pregnancy losses, and no contraindications to aspirin. Minors who are \geq 14 years of age may be enrolled if permitted by the country's ethical guidelines.

Intervention:

Daily administration of low dose (81 mg) aspirin, initiated between 6 0/7 weeks and 13 6/7 weeks GA and continued to 36 0/7 weeks GA, compared to an identical appearing placebo. Compliance and outcomes will be assessed biweekly.

Outcomes

Primary: To determine whether daily LDA initiated between 6 0/7 -13 6/7 weeks GA and continued to 36 0/7 weeks GA reduces the risk of PTB (birth prior to 37 0/7 weeks GA). **Secondary:** of interest are the rate of preeclampsia/eclampsia, small for gestational age (SGA), and perinatal mortality.