



Child & Adolescent
TB Working Group



Shorter Treatment for Minimal Tuberculosis in Children: Main Findings from the SHINE Trial

A phase III randomised open trial comparing 4 vs 6 months treatment in children (+/- HIV) with smear-negative non-severe TB in Africa and India

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BACKGROUND



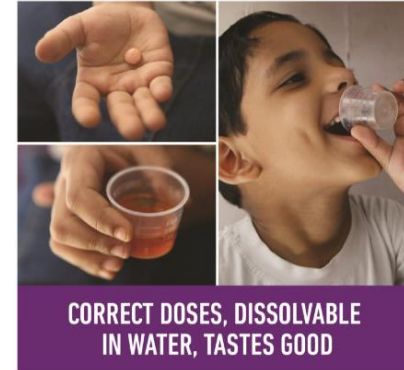
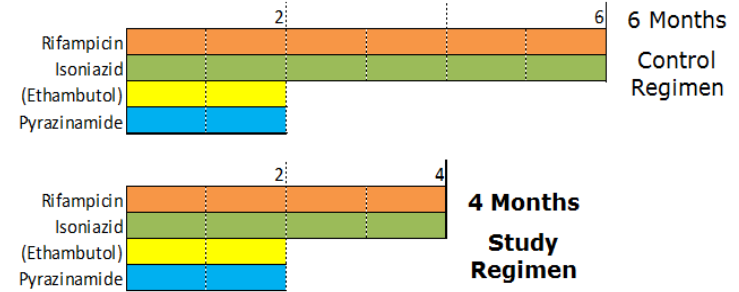
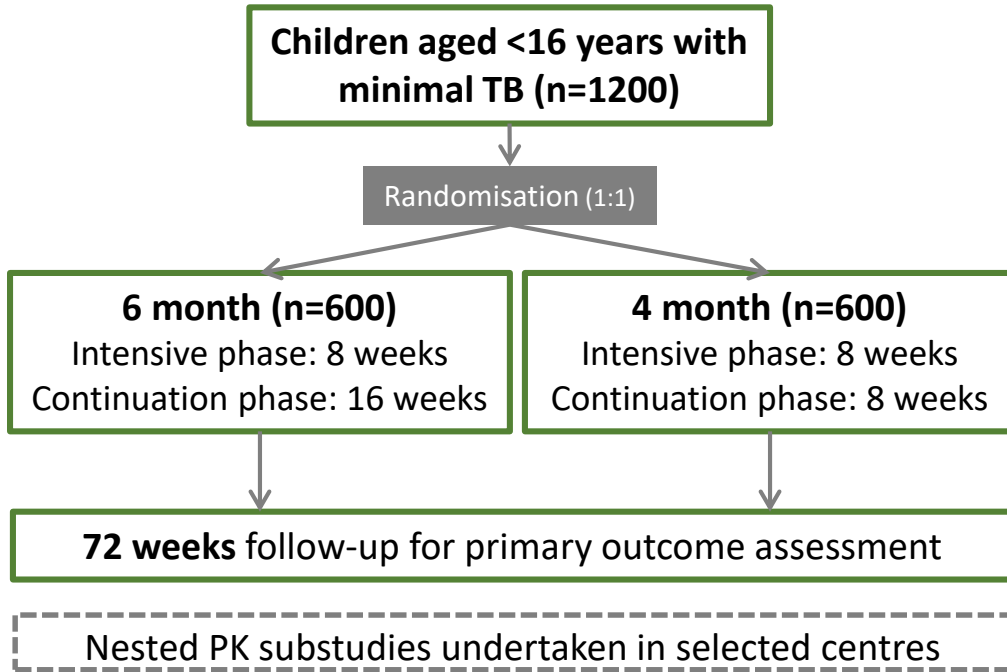
Estimated 1.1 million children <15 years develop tuberculosis (TB) annually¹

Two-thirds have non-severe TB which is paucibacillary and may benefit from shorter treatment^{2,3}

A meta-analysis of treatment duration trials in adults suggests 4-month drug regimens are efficacious in adults with paucibacillary TB who had <2+ sputum smear grade or non-cavitary disease⁴

SHINE Trial is the first Phase III paediatric RCT to evaluate whether the standard 6 months of treatment can be reduced to 4 months in children with smear-negative non-severe (minimal) TB

TRIAL DESIGN



All anti-TB drugs prescribed as per WHO 2010 dosing guidelines using new weight bands

PARTICIPATING SITES



Clinical sites:

Kampala, Uganda
Lusaka, Zambia
Cape Town, South Africa
Pune, India
Chennai, India

PK substudies:

UCT, Cape Town, SA
Nijmegen, Netherlands
Chennai, India

Coordination:

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TRIAL POPULATION



Main inclusion criteria:

- Age 0-16 years, weight \geq 3kg
- No known drug resistance
- Clinical decision to treat with 1st line Rx
- Symptomatic but non-severe TB
- Smear-negative on respiratory samples
 - GeneXpert positive allowed
- Not treated for TB in previous 2 years
- Known HIV infection status

Non-severe TB

- extrathoracic lymph node TB
- intrathoracic lymph node TB with no significant airway obstruction
- uncomplicated forms of pulmonary TB, confined to one lobe and with no cavities

PRIMARY ENDPOINTS



Primary efficacy outcome:

Unfavourable outcomes

- TB treatment failure
- TB recurrence
- Death of any cause by 72 weeks
- On-treatment loss-to-follow-up



Primary Safety outcome:

Grade 3-5 adverse events on treatment (plus 30 days)



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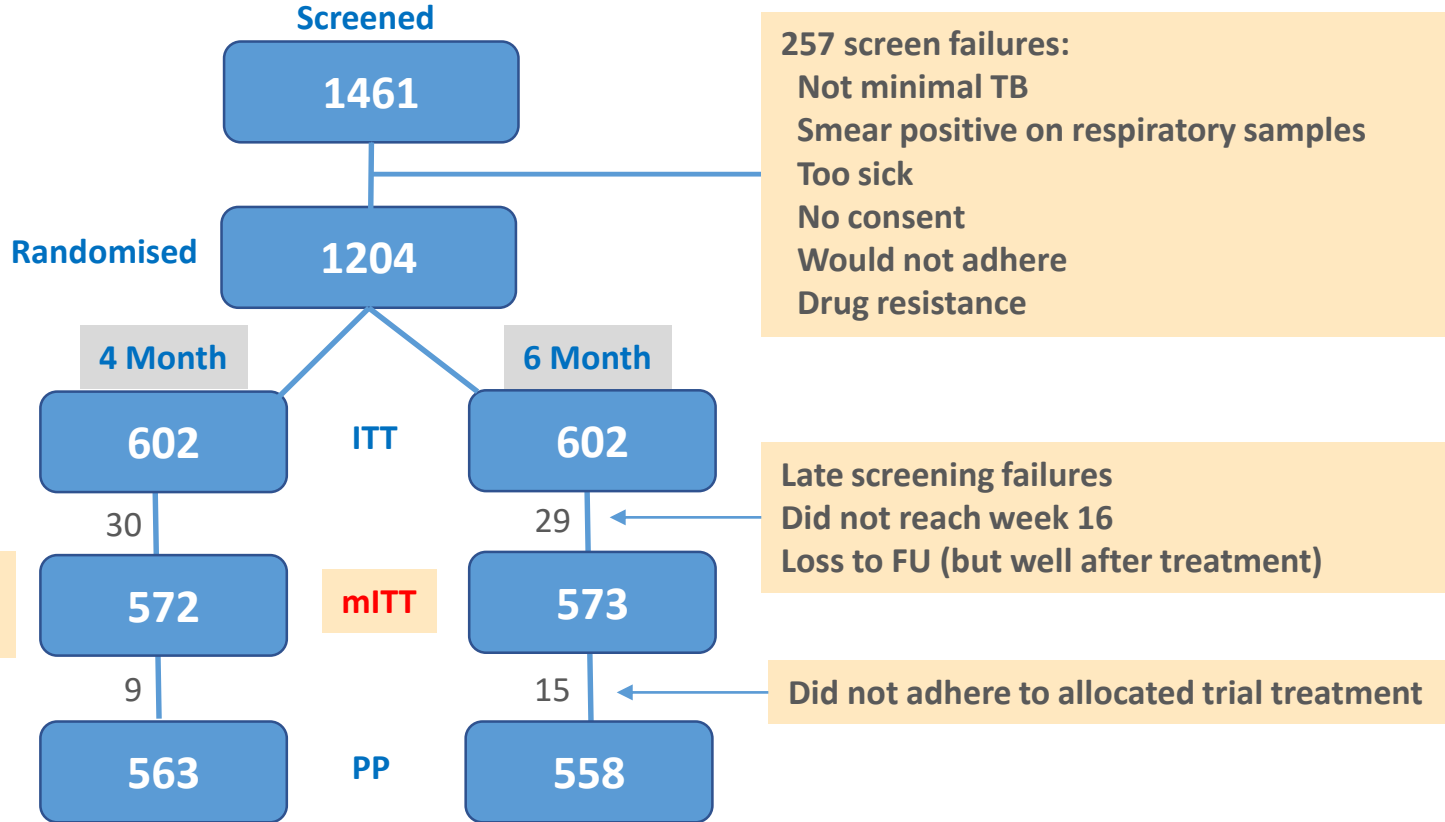
8% events in control arm

90% power, 5% 2-sided



RESULTS

CONSORT DIAGRAM



BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS



	4 Months N=602	6 Months N=602
Age (years), median, range	3.4 (2 months, 15 years)	3.5 (2 months, 15 years)
Sex, n(%) female	297 (49)	286 (48)
Ethnicity, n (%)		
Black	460 (76)	460 (76)
Indian	75 (12)	74 (12)
Other	67 (11)	68 (11)
HIV status, n (%) positive	65 (11)	62 (10)
Weight-for-age Z score, median, IQR	-1.20 (-2.12,-0.29)	-1.12 (-2.10,-0.37)
TB Symptoms, n(%)		
Cough > 2weeks	370 (61)	373 (62)
Fever	308 (51)	306 (51)
Poor feeding/appetite	311 (52)	311 (52)
Local chest X-ray, n (%) Abnormal	563 (94)	559 (93)
<i>Typical of TB</i>	340 (60)	368 (66)
Microbiologically confirmed TB, n(%)	85 (14)	80 (13)

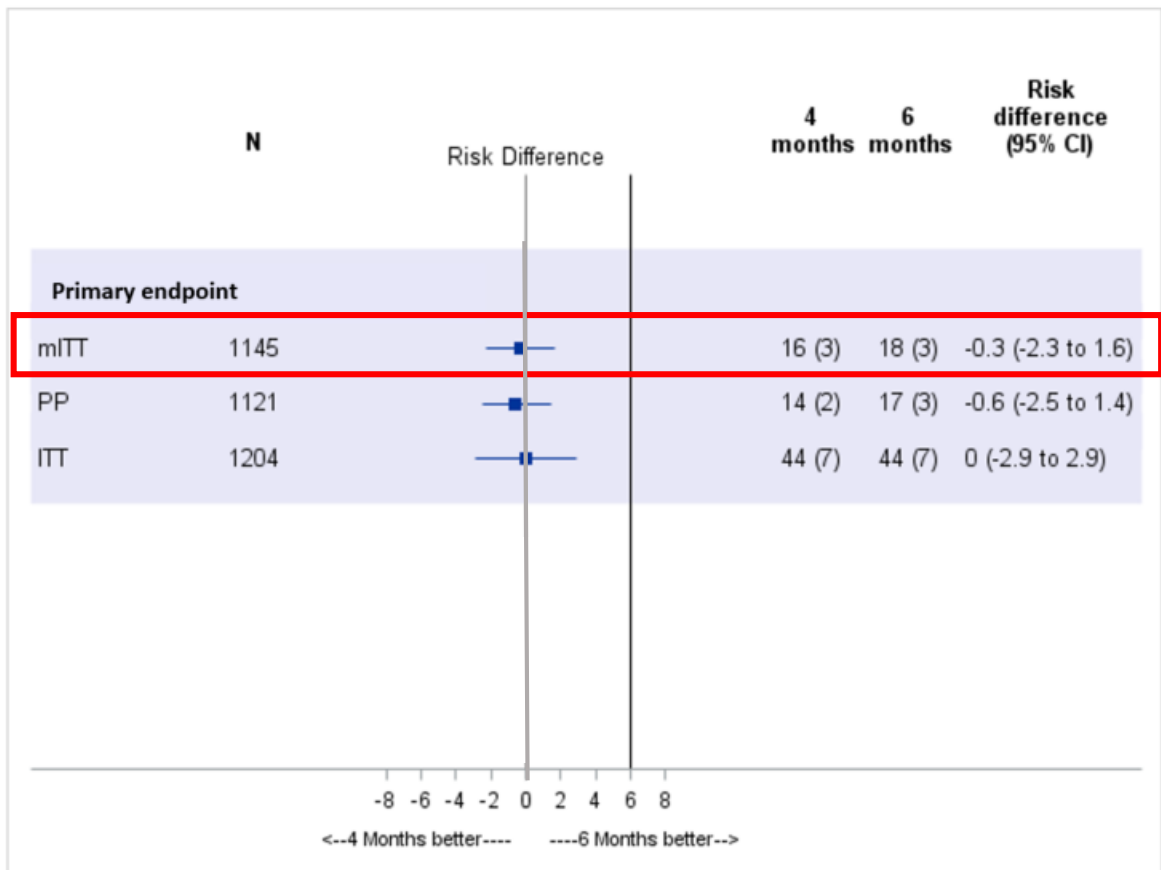


ADHERENCE TO RANDOMISED DURATION AND RETENTION

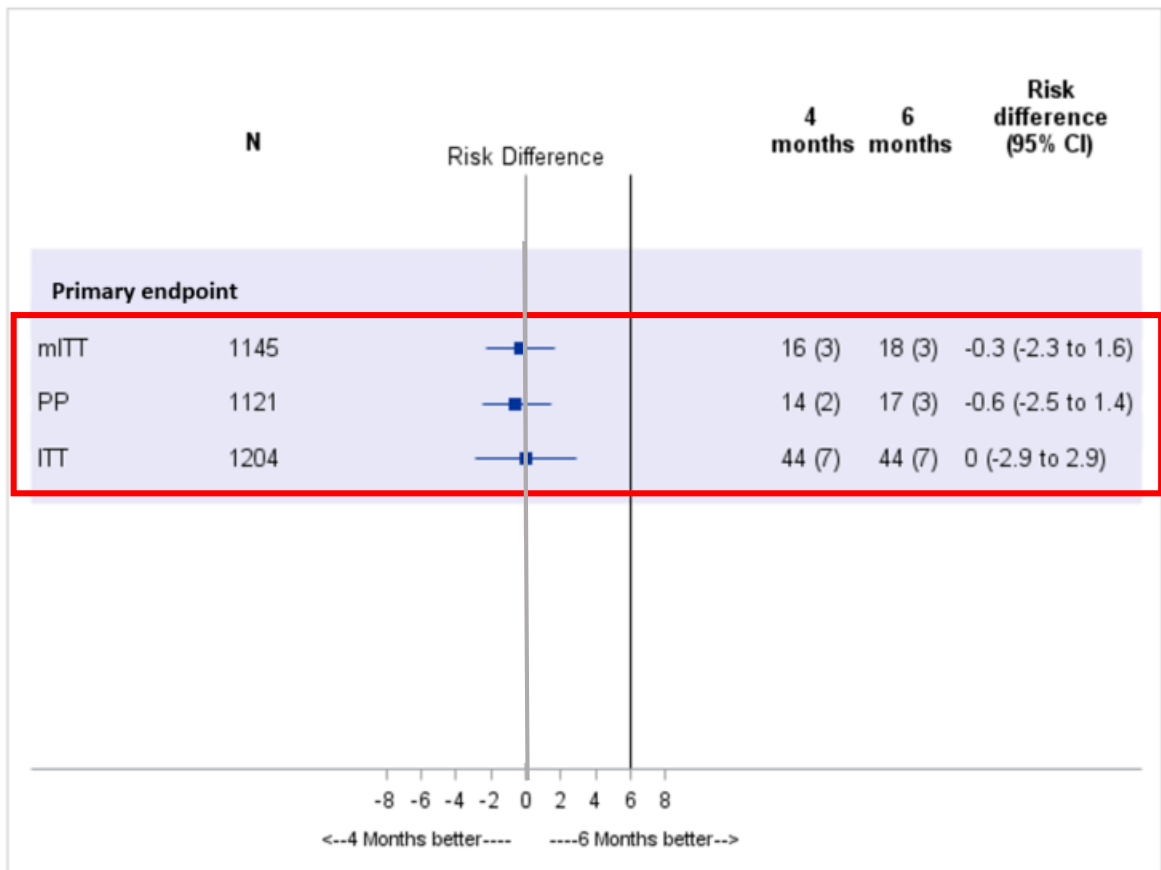
94% of participants adhered to their allocated randomised duration (similar in both arms)

95% retention at week 72 across both arms

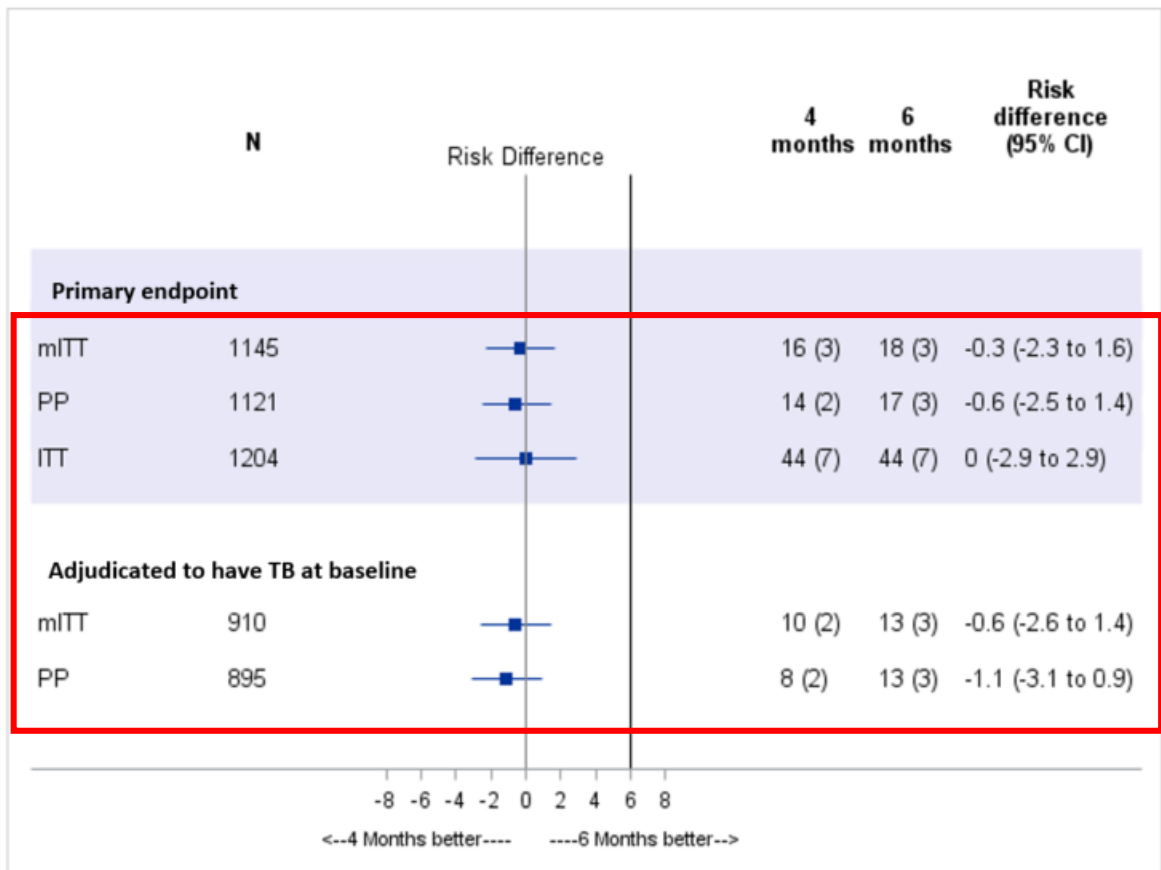
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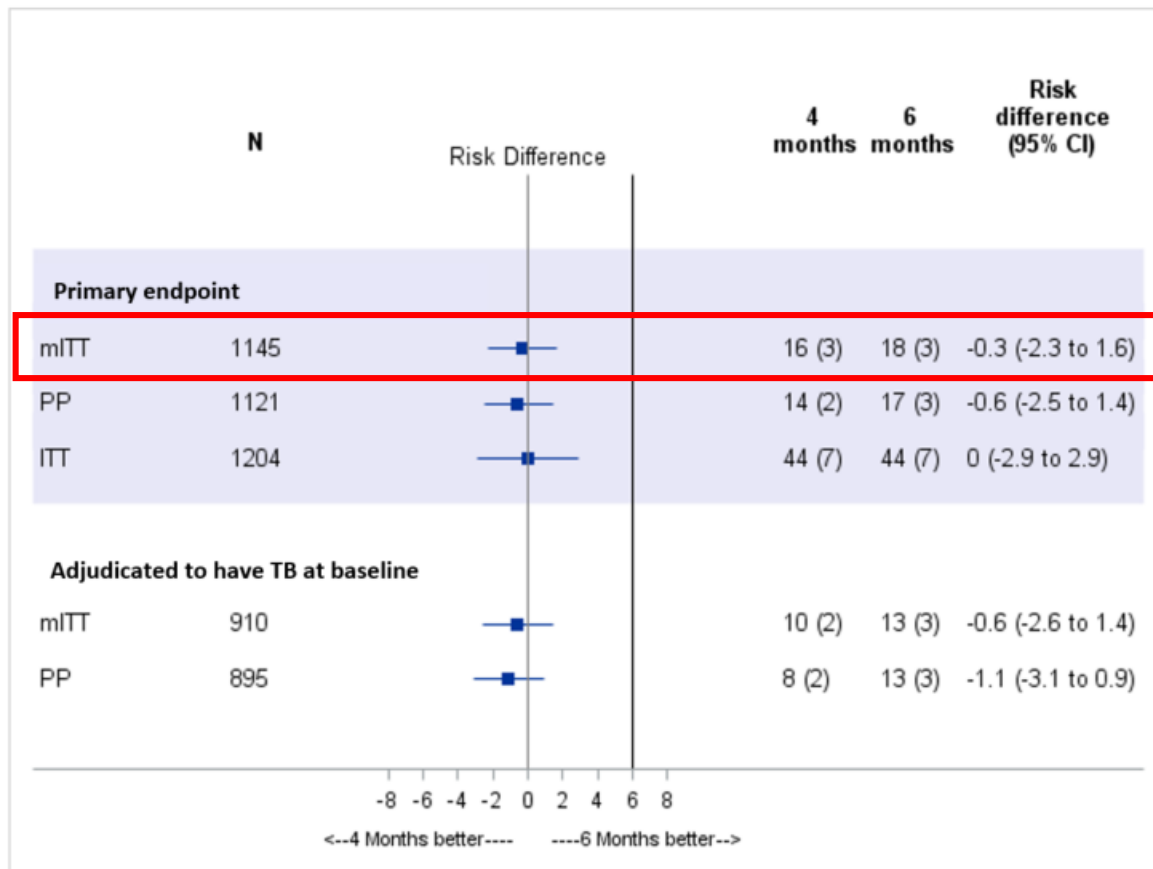
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Endpoint Review Committee (ERC)
adjudication of TB at baseline

~ 80% of children (as assumed in
sample size) – similar in both arms

PRIMARY EFFICACY



34 unfavourable outcomes (mITT):

	4 Month N=16	6 Month N=18
Death from any cause (after week 16)	7	12
LTFU during treatment (after week 16)	0	1
TB recurrence	6	4
Treatment extension (treatment failure)	2	0
Restart/change of treatment (treatment failure)	1	1

PRIMARY SAFETY ON-TREATMENT ADVERSE EVENTS GRADE ≥ 3



	4 Months N=602	6 Months N=602
Total number of \geq Grade 3 AEs	49	66
Children with at least 1 AE	47 (8)	48 (8)
Deaths	8	9
After week 16		
Total number of AEs	14	14
Children with at least 1 AE	14 (2)	12 (2)
Deaths	2	0

	4 Months	6 Months
Adverse reactions (AR)	5	11

11 / 16 adverse reactions were raised liver enzymes

Most reactions occurred in first 8 weeks

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS



- **SHINE Trial found that the 4 months treatment was as good as the standard 6 month treatment for children with minimal TB**
 - **Few unfavourable outcomes in both arms (3% vs 3%)**
 - **The results were consistent across all the analyses performed**
 - **Few treatment related side-effects and similar in both arms**
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- **Two thirds of children with TB could potentially be safely and effectively treated with 4 months of treatment**
 - **Reducing the length of treatment could make treatment easier for children and caregivers, as well as reduce costs to families and the health system**
 - **Guideline and policy makers should consider moving to 4 months of treatment for children with minimal TB**

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Oral presentations:

- Shorter treatment for minimal tuberculosis in children: main findings from the SHINE trial **(LB-2056-24): 24 October, 15:00-16:20 CEST**
- Diagnostic utility of microbiological and histopathological testing in the diagnosis of Paediatric TB lymphadenitis in Indian children screened for the SHINE trial **(OA-34-711-24): 24 October 2020, 11-12:20 CEST**

Poster Presentations

- Utility of colour vision testing for screening for ethambutol-associated ocular toxicity in children treated for TB in the SHINE trial **(EP02-114-21): 21 October 2020**
- A method for baseline adjudication of tuberculosis diagnosis in children in a therapeutic clinical trial: experience from SHINE **(EP02-112-21): 21 October 2020**
- Caregivers' beliefs in anti-tuberculosis medicines in the African/Indian SHINE trial **(EP15-241-22): 22 October 2020**

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