

## STUDY REPORT SUMMARY

## ASTRAZENECA PHARMACEUTICALS

**FINISHED PRODUCT:**Crestor ®**ACTIVE INGREDIENT:**Rosuvastatin calcium

Study No: D3562C00098 substudy

Effects of rosuvastatin on coronary flow reserve and metabolic mismatch in patients with heart failure. Substudy of the Corona study.

**Developmental phase:** Phase III **Study Completion Date:** 08-01-2008 (substudy DBL) **Date of Report:** Manuscript to be submitted

**OBJECTIVES:** In patients with chronic heart failure, statin treatment might improve myocardial perfusion, but could also have detrimental effects on myocardial metabolism. A predefined sub-study of the Controlled Rosuvastatin Multinational Trial in Heart Failure (CORONA) trial sought to determine the effects of statin treatment on myocardial blood flow reserve and cardiac metabolism.

**METHODS:** 16 patients with chronic heart failure were randomized to 10 mg rosuvastatin daily (n=8) or placebo treatment (n=8). After 6 months of treatment  $^{13}$ N-ammonia at rest and after dipyridamole stress and 18-fluorodeoxyglucose positron emission tomography (PET) was performed at baseline and after 6 months.

**RESULTS:** The mean age was 73±8 years, mean left ventricular ejection fraction of  $0.27\pm0.09$ , and all patients had NYHA II or III (37 or 63%) heart failure symptoms. Rosuvastatin treatment significantly lowered total (-36%, P<0.01) and low-density lipoprotein (-47%, P<0.001) cholesterol as well as C-reactive protein levels (-36%, P<0.05). Myocardial perfusion changed from  $1.64\pm0.90$  to  $1.30\pm0.37$  in placebo treated and from  $1.51\pm0.18$  to  $1.55\pm0.34$  in rosuvastatin treated patients (P=NS). Metabolic mismatch changed from  $4.25\pm2.37$  to  $4.38\pm3.81$  in placebo and from  $5.13\pm2.75$  to  $3.50\pm2.73$  in rosuvastatin treated patients (P=NS)