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# Cationic lipid-mediated CFTR gene transfer to the lungs and nose of patients with cystic fibrosis: a double-blind placebo-controlled trial.

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## Study design (if review, criteria of inclusion for studies)

Double-blind randomised placebo controlled trial, parallel design

# Participants

Mean age 26.9 years. Confirmed CF, FEV1 >70%, sterile. 16 participants (all males).

#### Interventions

Single dose of CFTR DNA+liposome, or liposome alone nebulised to lungs.

# Outcome measures

Adverse events, gene expression, CFTR protein expression, airway potential difference.

## Main results

Seven of the eight patients receiving the active complex reported mild influenza-like symptoms that resolved within 36 h. Six of eight patients in both the active and placebo groups reported mild airway symptoms over a period of 12 h following pulmonary administration. No specific treatment was required for either event. Pulmonary administration resulted in a significant (p

## Authors' conclusions

Cationic-lipid-mediated CFTR gene transfer can significantly influence the underlying chloride defect in the lungs of patients with cystic fibrosis.

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## See also

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