ICMR has initiated a multi-center clinical trial, titled “A Phase II, Open Label, Randomized Controlled Trial to Assess the Safety and Efficacy of Convalescent Plasma to Limit COVID-19 Associated Complications in Moderate Disease.” (PLACID Trial). The PLACID trial protocol has been registered with the Clinical Trial Registry of India (CTRI) and the registration number is CTRI/2020/04/024775. The study has also received approval from the COVID-19 National Ethics Committee (CONEC), vide letter noCoNEC 002/2020, dated 29th April 2020. The generic protocol for this study has also been approved by the DCGI, CDSCO vide letter no X.11026/78/2020-BD, dated 26th April 2020. The sample size of the study is 452. Once 400 patients are enrolled, no more sites will be added. The clinical trial liability insurance has been bought centrally by ICMR.

ICMR launched a call inviting letters of interest from sites which had the facilities to undertake the study. Expression of interest was received from 113 institutions. As of 11th May, 2020, ICMR has approved the following 35 institutions in the PLACID Trial.

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