



Clinical trial results:

Adjuvant peginterferon alfa-2b for 2 years vs Observation in patients with an ulcerated primary cutaneous melanoma with T(2-4)bN0M0: a randomized phase III trial of the EORTC Melanoma Group.

Summary

EudraCT number	2009-010273-20
Trial protocol	BE GB DE FR AT IT DK ES NL PT PL
Global end of trial date	11 July 2019

Results information

Result version number	v1 (current)
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Trial information

Trial identification

Sponsor protocol code	18081
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Additional study identifiers

ISRCTN number	-
ClinicalTrials.gov id (NCT number)	NCT01502696
WHO universal trial number (UTN)	-

Notes:

Sponsors

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Notes:

Paediatric regulatory details

Is trial part of an agreed paediatric investigation plan (PIP)	No
Does article 45 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial?	No
Does article 46 of REGULATION (EC) No 1901/2006 apply to this trial?	No

Notes:

Results analysis stage

Analysis stage	Final
Date of interim/final analysis	11 July 2019
Is this the analysis of the primary completion data?	Yes
Primary completion date	11 July 2019
Global end of trial reached?	Yes
Global end of trial date	11 July 2019
Was the trial ended prematurely?	Yes

Notes:

General information about the trial

Main objective of the trial:

To determine whether post-operative adjuvant therapy with peginterferon alfa-2b improves relapse-free survival (RFS) as compared to observation.

Protection of trial subjects:

Safety data were reviewed within the EORTC Headquarters on a regular basis as part of the Medical Review process. Safety information was included in trial status reports which served as a basis of discussion during EORTC Group meetings.

Background therapy:

Before randomization, patients underwent a resection of ulcerated primary cutaneous melanoma. 1 to 2 cm normal tissue excision margins according to Breslow thickness were recommended.

Evidence for comparator:

Observation was used as comparator. No effective adjuvant treatments were available at the time of the study.

Actual start date of recruitment	08 January 2013
Long term follow-up planned	No
Independent data monitoring committee (IDMC) involvement?	No

Notes:

Population of trial subjects**Subjects enrolled per country**

Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Netherlands: 4
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Poland: 14
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Spain: 2
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	United Kingdom: 21
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Austria: 7
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Belgium: 6
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Denmark: 4
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	France: 35
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Germany: 8
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Italy: 9
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Switzerland: 2
Worldwide total number of subjects	112
EEA total number of subjects	110

Notes:

Subjects enrolled per age group	
In utero	0
Preterm newborn - gestational age < 37 wk	0
Newborns (0-27 days)	0
Infants and toddlers (28 days-23 months)	0
Children (2-11 years)	0
Adolescents (12-17 years)	0
Adults (18-64 years)	93
From 65 to 84 years	19
85 years and over	0

Subject disposition

Recruitment

Recruitment details:

The study intended to randomize 1200 patients. It was expected that 1200 patients would be randomized in 4.125 years from the accrual of the first patient.

In total, 112 patients had been randomized by January 2017. Due to the low accrual, the recruitment was terminated at that time.

Pre-assignment

Screening details:

Main eligibility criteria:

Age: 18-70 years

Complete resection of ulcerated primary cutaneous melanoma stage T(2-4)bN0M0

SLN biopsy mandatory

No evidence of lymph node involvement or satellite / in-transit metastases

ECOG performance status of 0 or 1

Adequate hepatic, renal and bone marrow function

No active autoimmune disease

Period 1

Period 1 title	Adjuvant treatment and observation (overall period)
Is this the baseline period?	Yes
Allocation method	Randomised - controlled
Blinding used	Not blinded

Arms

Are arms mutually exclusive?	Yes
Arm title	Observation

Arm description:

Observation for two years

Arm type	No intervention
No investigational medicinal product assigned in this arm	
Arm title	PEG-IFN

Arm description:

Peginterferon alfa-2b (3.0 µg/kg), weekly for 2 years or until relapse of the disease, unacceptable toxicity, patient's refusal, patient's best interest to stop according to treating physician.

Arm type	Experimental
Investigational medicinal product name	Pegylated interferon alfa-2b
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Injection
Routes of administration	Subcutaneous use

Dosage and administration details:

Dose reductions as needed were used in order to assure ECOG performance score of 0 to 1.

Dose reduction steps: 3.0 – 2.0 –1.0 µg/kg.

Patients deemed competent to self administer the subcutaneous injections of peginterferon alfa-2b were allowed to do so.

Number of subjects in period 1	Observation	PEG-IFN
Started	56	56
Completed	33	16
Not completed	23	40
Consent withdrawn by subject	6	8
Relapse	12	2
Adverse event, non-fatal	-	23
Due to delay of the treatment start	-	1
Failure to administer the treatment	-	1
Pregnancy	-	1
Other malignancy	1	-
Patient moved	1	-
Stopped earlier but received all planned doses	-	1
Lost to follow-up	3	1
Suspected relapse	-	2

Baseline characteristics

Reporting groups

Reporting group title	Observation
Reporting group description:	
Observation for two years	
Reporting group title	PEG-IFN
Reporting group description:	
Peginterferon alfa-2b (3.0 µg/kg), weekly for 2 years or until relapse of the disease, unacceptable toxicity, patient's refusal, patient's best interest to stop according to treating physician.	

Reporting group values	Observation	PEG-IFN	Total
Number of subjects	56	56	112
Age categorical			
Units: Subjects			
Adults (18-64 years)	44	49	93
From 65-84 years	12	7	19
Age continuous			
Units: years			
median	55	53	
full range (min-max)	27 to 70	28 to 69	-
Gender categorical			
Units: Subjects			
Female	17	29	46
Male	39	27	66
Primary site, Breslow thickness			
Stratification factor used for randomization.			
Units: Subjects			
Head, neck or trunk, 2mm or less	9	8	17
Extremity, 2mm or less	8	6	14
Head, neck or trunk, 2+ to 4mm	14	16	30
Extremity, 2+ to 4mm	10	11	21
Head, neck or trunk, >4mm	7	7	14
Extremity, >4mm	8	8	16

End points

End points reporting groups

Reporting group title	Observation
Reporting group description:	
Observation for two years	
Reporting group title	PEG-IFN
Reporting group description:	
Peginterferon alfa-2b (3.0 µg/kg), weekly for 2 years or until relapse of the disease, unacceptable toxicity, patient's refusal, patient's best interest to stop according to treating physician.	

Primary: Relapse-free survival

End point title	Relapse-free survival
End point description:	
Relapse-free survival was defined as the time between the date of randomization and the date of first relapse (local, regional, distant metastasis) or death (whatever the cause), whichever occurs first. For subjects who remained alive and whose disease has not recurred, RFS was censored on the date of last visit.	
End point type	Primary
End point timeframe:	
Originally planned after reaching 330 RFS events. The accrual was stopped prematurely due to the low accrual rate. The analysis was performed when all patients had finished the protocol treatment.	

End point values	Observation	PEG-IFN		
Subject group type	Reporting group	Reporting group		
Number of subjects analysed	56	56		
Units: % at three years				
number (confidence interval 95%)	73 (58 to 83)	80 (66 to 89)		

Statistical analyses

Statistical analysis title	Relapse-free survival
Statistical analysis description:	
HR values smaller than 1 indicate longer RFS in the experimental arm.	
Comparison groups	Observation v PEG-IFN
Number of subjects included in analysis	112
Analysis specification	Pre-specified
Analysis type	superiority
Method	Regression, Cox
Parameter estimate	Hazard ratio (HR)
Point estimate	0.66

Confidence interval	
level	95 %
sides	2-sided
lower limit	0.32
upper limit	1.37

Secondary: Distant metastasis-free survival

End point title	Distant metastasis-free survival
End point description:	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe:	
Analysis performed at the same time as the RFS analysis.	

End point values	Observation	PEG-IFN		
Subject group type	Reporting group	Reporting group		
Number of subjects analysed	56	56		
Units: % at three years				
number (confidence interval 95%)	76 (62 to 86)	91 (79 to 96)		

Statistical analyses

Statistical analysis title	Distant metastasis-free survival
Statistical analysis description:	
HR values smaller than 1 indicate longer DMFS in the experimental arm	
Comparison groups	Observation v PEG-IFN
Number of subjects included in analysis	112
Analysis specification	Pre-specified
Analysis type	superiority
Method	Regression, Cox
Parameter estimate	Hazard ratio (HR)
Point estimate	0.39
Confidence interval	
level	95 %
sides	2-sided
lower limit	0.15
upper limit	0.97

Adverse events

Adverse events information

Timeframe for reporting adverse events:

The number of patients who had specific adverse events in the period between the randomization and the time of treatment/observation discontinuation was reported. The maximum time was 2 years and one week.

Adverse event reporting additional description:

CRF for AEs contains pre-specified items + additional boxes for all "other" AEs. AEs are evaluated using CTC grading, SAEs using MedDra.

Assessment type	Systematic
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Dictionary used

Dictionary name	MedDRA
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Dictionary version	19
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Reporting groups

Reporting group title	Observation
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Reporting group description:

All patients who underwent observation, irrespective of the randomized treatment. This group includes 55 patients randomized to the observation arm and 1 patient randomized to the PEG-IFN arm who has not received PEG-IFN.

Reporting group title	PEG-IFN
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Reporting group description:

This group includes all patients who received at least one dose of PEG-IFN, that is 54 patients. All have been randomized to the PEG-IFN arm.

Serious adverse events	Observation	PEG-IFN	
Total subjects affected by serious adverse events			
subjects affected / exposed	6 / 56 (10.71%)	4 / 54 (7.41%)	
number of deaths (all causes)	4	1	
number of deaths resulting from adverse events	0	0	
Investigations			
ALANINE AMINOTRANSFERASE INCREASED			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	1 / 1	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
ASPARTATE AMINOTRANSFERASE INCREASED			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	1 / 1	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	

GAMMA-GLUTAMYLTRANSFERASE INCREASED			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	1 / 1	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
Neoplasms benign, malignant and unspecified (incl cysts and polyps)			
BASAL CELL CARCINOMA			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 2	0 / 0	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
COLON ADENOMA			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 1	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
HAEMANGIOMA OF LIVER			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 1	0 / 0	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
MALIGNANT MELANOMA			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 3	0 / 0	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA OF SKIN			
alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences causally related to treatment / all	0 / 1	0 / 0	
deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 0	0 / 0	
Gastrointestinal disorders			

ABDOMINAL PAIN alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19 subjects affected / exposed occurrences causally related to treatment / all deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0 / 0 0 / 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1 / 1 0 / 0	
DIARRHOEA alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19 subjects affected / exposed occurrences causally related to treatment / all deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0 / 0 0 / 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1 / 1 0 / 0	
Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders PULMONARY EMBOLISM alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19 subjects affected / exposed occurrences causally related to treatment / all deaths causally related to treatment / all	1 / 56 (1.79%) 0 / 1 0 / 0	0 / 54 (0.00%) 0 / 0 0 / 0	
Infections and infestations PNEUMONIA alternative dictionary used: MedDRA 19 subjects affected / exposed occurrences causally related to treatment / all deaths causally related to treatment / all	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0 / 0 0 / 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1 / 1 0 / 0	

Frequency threshold for reporting non-serious adverse events: 0 %

Non-serious adverse events	Observation	PEG-IFN	
Total subjects affected by non-serious adverse events subjects affected / exposed	43 / 56 (76.79%)	53 / 54 (98.15%)	
Neoplasms benign, malignant and unspecified (incl cysts and polyps) NEOPLASMS BENIGN, MALIGNANT AND UNSPECIFIED (INCL CYSTS AND POLYPS) - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	10 / 56 (17.86%) 16	3 / 54 (5.56%) 4	

Vascular disorders HEMATOMA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) HOT FLASHES alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) HYPERTENSION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) HYPOTENSION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) THROMBOEMBOLIC EVENT alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) VASCULAR DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) VASCULITIS alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0 0 / 56 (0.00%) 0 7 / 56 (12.50%) 19 1 / 56 (1.79%) 1 1 / 56 (1.79%) 1 1 / 56 (1.79%) 1 0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1 3 / 54 (5.56%) 3 10 / 54 (18.52%) 26 3 / 54 (5.56%) 5 0 / 54 (0.00%) 0 1 / 54 (1.85%) 1 1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
General disorders and administration site conditions CHILLS alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all) FATIGUE alternative dictionary used: CTC 4	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	13 / 54 (24.07%) 16	

subjects affected / exposed	7 / 56 (12.50%)	37 / 54 (68.52%)
occurrences (all)	8	61
FEVER		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	22 / 54 (40.74%)
occurrences (all)	0	29
FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	23 / 54 (42.59%)
occurrences (all)	1	38
GENERAL DISORDERS AND ADMINISTRATION SITE CONDITIONS - OTHER, SPECIFY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
INFUSION RELATED REACTION		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
INJECTION SITE REACTION		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	12 / 54 (22.22%)
occurrences (all)	0	12
IRRITABILITY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)
occurrences (all)	0	3
MALAISE		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
NON-CARDIAC CHEST PAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
PAIN		

alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
Immune system disorders ALLERGIC REACTION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	2 / 54 (3.70%) 2	
Reproductive system and breast disorders BREAST PAIN alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	2 / 54 (3.70%) 2	
DYSMENORRHEA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	0 / 54 (0.00%) 0	
GENITAL EDEMA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
GYNECOMASTIA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
MENORRHAGIA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM AND BREAST DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			

subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
VAGINAL HEMORRHAGE			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	2	
VAGINAL INFLAMMATION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
Respiratory, thoracic and mediastinal disorders			
BRONCHOSPASM			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
COUGH			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	3	2	
DYSPNEA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)	
occurrences (all)	1	3	
LARYNGEAL INFLAMMATION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
PNEUMONITIS			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
POSTNASAL DRIP			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
Psychiatric disorders			

AGITATION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
ANXIETY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	6 / 54 (11.11%) 6	
DEPRESSION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	2 / 56 (3.57%) 2	8 / 54 (14.81%) 8	
INSOMNIA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	10 / 54 (18.52%) 10	
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	2 / 54 (3.70%) 3	
Investigations			
ALANINE AMINOTRANSFERASE INCREASED alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 2	17 / 54 (31.48%) 38	
ALKALINE PHOSPHATASE INCREASED alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	0 / 54 (0.00%) 0	
ASPARTATE AMINOTRANSFERASE INCREASED alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	2 / 56 (3.57%) 2	15 / 54 (27.78%) 27	
BLOOD BILIRUBIN INCREASED alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			

subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
CHOLESTEROL HIGH		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	3 / 56 (5.36%)	4 / 54 (7.41%)
occurrences (all)	5	6
CREATININE INCREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	3
GGT INCREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	16 / 54 (29.63%)
occurrences (all)	3	44
HEMOGLOBIN INCREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	2
INVESTIGATIONS - OTHER, SPECIFY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	6 / 56 (10.71%)	12 / 54 (22.22%)
occurrences (all)	10	32
LYMPHOCYTE COUNT DECREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	7 / 54 (12.96%)
occurrences (all)	1	25
NEUTROPHIL COUNT DECREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	27 / 54 (50.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	81
PLATELET COUNT DECREASED		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	15 / 54 (27.78%)
occurrences (all)	1	27
WEIGHT GAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		

<p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>WEIGHT LOSS</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>WHITE BLOOD CELL DECREASED</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>6 / 56 (10.71%)</p> <p>9</p> <p>8 / 56 (14.29%)</p> <p>9</p> <p>1 / 56 (1.79%)</p> <p>1</p>	<p>4 / 54 (7.41%)</p> <p>5</p> <p>19 / 54 (35.19%)</p> <p>39</p> <p>26 / 54 (48.15%)</p> <p>75</p>	
<p>Injury, poisoning and procedural complications</p> <p>FRACTURE</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>INJURY, POISONING AND PROCEDURAL COMPLICATIONS - OTHER, SPECIFY</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>1 / 56 (1.79%)</p> <p>1</p> <p>2 / 56 (3.57%)</p> <p>2</p>	<p>0 / 54 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p> <p>2 / 54 (3.70%)</p> <p>2</p>	
<p>Cardiac disorders</p> <p>PALPITATIONS</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	<p>1 / 54 (1.85%)</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>Nervous system disorders</p> <p>COGNITIVE DISTURBANCE</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>CONCENTRATION IMPAIRMENT</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>DIRTYINESS</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p>	<p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p> <p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	<p>1 / 54 (1.85%)</p> <p>1</p> <p>1 / 54 (1.85%)</p> <p>1</p>	

subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	8 / 54 (14.81%)
occurrences (all)	0	9
DYSGEUSIA		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	3
HEADACHE		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	23 / 54 (42.59%)
occurrences (all)	1	32
MOVEMENTS INVOLUNTARY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
NERVOUS SYSTEM DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	2
PARESTHESIA		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	4 / 54 (7.41%)
occurrences (all)	0	4
PERIPHERAL SENSORY NEUROPATHY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
PRESYNCOPE		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
SPASTICITY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
TREMOR		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		

subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	3 / 54 (5.56%) 3	
Blood and lymphatic system disorders ANEMIA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	9 / 54 (16.67%) 13	
BLOOD AND LYMPHATIC SYSTEM DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	2 / 54 (3.70%) 2	
FEBRILE NEUTROPENIA alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	0 / 54 (0.00%) 0	
Ear and labyrinth disorders EAR AND LABYRINTH DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	1 / 54 (1.85%) 1	
TINNITUS alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	0 / 56 (0.00%) 0	2 / 54 (3.70%) 2	
VERTIGO alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	3 / 54 (5.56%) 3	
Eye disorders BLURRED VISION alternative dictionary used: CTC 4 subjects affected / exposed occurrences (all)	1 / 56 (1.79%) 1	2 / 54 (3.70%) 2	
CATARACT alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			

subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
DRY EYE			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
EYE DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	2	2	
FLOATERS			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
PHOTOPHOBIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	0	2	
RETINOPATHY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	1	1	
WATERING EYES			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
Gastrointestinal disorders			
ABDOMINAL PAIN			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	1	3	
CONSTIPATION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)	
occurrences (all)	1	3	
DIARRHEA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			

subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	14 / 54 (25.93%)
occurrences (all)	2	16
DRY MOUTH		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	2
DYSPEPSIA		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	2
ESOPHAGEAL PAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
GASTRIC ULCER		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
GASTRITIS		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)
occurrences (all)	2	3
MUCOSITIS ORAL		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
NAUSEA		

alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	19 / 54 (35.19%)	
occurrences (all)	1	27	
ORAL PAIN			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
RECTAL HEMORRHAGE			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
STOMACH PAIN			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	0	2	
VOMITING			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	8 / 54 (14.81%)	
occurrences (all)	1	11	
Hepatobiliary disorders			
HEPATOBIILIARY DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)	
occurrences (all)	0	3	
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders			
ALOPECIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	12 / 54 (22.22%)	
occurrences (all)	1	13	
DRY SKIN			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)	
occurrences (all)	0	4	
ERYTHEMA MULTIFORME			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			

subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	1	2	
ERYTHRODERMA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
HYPERHIDROSIS			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	1	2	
PRURITUS			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	7 / 54 (12.96%)	
occurrences (all)	1	8	
RASH ACNEIFORM			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	1	2	
RASH MACULO-PAPULAR			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	6 / 54 (11.11%)	
occurrences (all)	2	9	
SKIN AND SUBCUTANEOUS TISSUE DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	8 / 56 (14.29%)	9 / 54 (16.67%)	
occurrences (all)	9	13	
SKIN HYPOPIGMENTATION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
URTICARIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
Renal and urinary disorders			

<p>HEMATURIA</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>1 / 56 (1.79%)</p> <p>1</p>	<p>0 / 54 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>RENAL AND URINARY DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>1 / 56 (1.79%)</p> <p>1</p>	<p>1 / 54 (1.85%)</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>RENAL CALCULI</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>2 / 56 (3.57%)</p> <p>2</p>	<p>0 / 54 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>URINARY FREQUENCY</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	<p>1 / 54 (1.85%)</p> <p>1</p>	
<p>URINARY TRACT PAIN</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>1 / 56 (1.79%)</p> <p>1</p>	<p>0 / 54 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	
<p>Endocrine disorders</p> <p>HYPERTHYROIDISM</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>HYPOTHYROIDISM</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p>	<p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p> <p>0 / 56 (0.00%)</p> <p>0</p>	<p>5 / 54 (9.26%)</p> <p>5</p> <p>2 / 54 (3.70%)</p> <p>4</p>	
<p>Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders</p> <p>ARTHRALGIA</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p> <p>subjects affected / exposed</p> <p>occurrences (all)</p> <p>BACK PAIN</p> <p>alternative dictionary used: CTC 4</p>	<p>3 / 56 (5.36%)</p> <p>3</p>	<p>7 / 54 (12.96%)</p> <p>10</p>	

subjects affected / exposed	3 / 56 (5.36%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)
occurrences (all)	3	5
BONE PAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)
occurrences (all)	0	3
CHEST WALL PAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
FLANK PAIN		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
GENERALIZED MUSCLE WEAKNESS		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)
occurrences (all)	0	2
MUSCLE WEAKNESS LOWER LIMB		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)
occurrences (all)	0	1
MUSCLE WEAKNESS TRUNK		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
MUSCULOSKELETAL AND CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISORDER - OTHER, SPECIFY		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)
occurrences (all)	1	0
MYALGIA		
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4		
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	16 / 54 (29.63%)
occurrences (all)	1	26
OSTEOPOROSIS		

alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
PAIN IN EXTREMITY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	2	1	
Infections and infestations			
BRONCHIAL INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
INFECTIONS AND INFESTATIONS - OTHER, SPECIFY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	5 / 56 (8.93%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	5	0	
LIP INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	1	3	
LUNG INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
PAPULOPUSTULAR RASH			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	2 / 54 (3.70%)	
occurrences (all)	0	2	
RASH PUSTULAR			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
RHINITIS INFECTIVE			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	

SINUSITIS			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	1	0	
SKIN INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	3 / 56 (5.36%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	4	1	
UPPER RESPIRATORY INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	4	1	
URINARY TRACT INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	3 / 54 (5.56%)	
occurrences (all)	0	4	
VULVAL INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	2	0	
WOUND INFECTION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	2 / 56 (3.57%)	0 / 54 (0.00%)	
occurrences (all)	2	0	
Metabolism and nutrition disorders			
ANOREXIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	14 / 54 (25.93%)	
occurrences (all)	0	19	
DEHYDRATION			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
HYPERTRIGLYCERIDEMIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	5 / 56 (8.93%)	14 / 54 (25.93%)	
occurrences (all)	5	26	

HYPOKALEMIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	1 / 56 (1.79%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	1	1	
HYPOMAGNESEMIA			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 56 (0.00%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	0	1	
METABOLISM AND NUTRITION DISORDERS - OTHER, SPECIFY			
alternative dictionary used: CTC 4			
subjects affected / exposed	3 / 56 (5.36%)	1 / 54 (1.85%)	
occurrences (all)	3	1	

More information

Substantial protocol amendments (globally)

Were there any global substantial amendments to the protocol? No

Interruptions (globally)

Were there any global interruptions to the trial? No

Limitations and caveats

Limitations of the trial such as small numbers of subjects analysed or technical problems leading to unreliable data.

The study was closed prematurely due to a low recruitment rate and the required sample size was not reached for any of the endpoints. The performed analysis has a descriptive character.

Notes: