



Clinical trial results:

A Proof of Concept, Phase IIa, Open Label Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of Afamelanotide in Patients with Variegate Porphyria (VP)-related skin disease.

Summary

EudraCT number	2018-004164-60
Trial protocol	NL
Global end of trial date	28 December 2023

Results information

Result version number	v1 (current)
This version publication date	05 January 2025
First version publication date	05 January 2025

Trial information

Trial identification

Sponsor protocol code	CUV040
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Additional study identifiers

ISRCTN number	-
ClinicalTrials.gov id (NCT number)	NCT05854784
WHO universal trial number (UTN)	-

Notes:

Sponsors

Sponsor organisation name	CLINUVEL (UK)
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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	10 May 2024
Is this the analysis of the primary completion data?	Yes
Primary completion date	28 December 2023
Global end of trial reached?	Yes
Global end of trial date	28 December 2023
Was the trial ended prematurely?	No

Notes:

General information about the trial

Main objective of the trial:

To evaluate the impact of afamelanotide on the severity of skin disease in patients with Variegate Porphyrria (VP).

Protection of trial subjects:

This study was conducted in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki, its revisions (Scotland, October 2000 and incorporating Notes of Clarification – Washington, 2002, Tokyo, 2004 and Seoul 2008) and ICH guidelines for Good Clinical Practice (GCP) governing the conduct of studies, and all applicable local regulations. The investigator assured that the study was conducted in accordance with prevailing local laws and regulations. The investigator was responsible for reporting to the Sponsor, the authorities and the Ethics Committee any modifications, safety updates, amendments, and violations of the protocol that impact on subject safety.

Prior to any study specific screening procedures, the Investigator had explained to each participant and/or to his/her legal representative, if necessary, the nature of the study, its purpose, procedures to be performed, the necessity for withdrawal of prohibited medication, expected duration, and the benefits and risks of study participation. After this explanation and before any study specific procedures were performed, the subject had voluntarily signed an informed consent statement.

Background therapy: -

Evidence for comparator: -

Actual start date of recruitment	28 March 2023
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	Switzerland: 3
Country: Number of subjects enrolled	Netherlands: 3
Worldwide total number of subjects	6
EEA total number of subjects	3

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)	5
From 65 to 84 years	1
85 years and over	0

Subject disposition

Recruitment

Recruitment details:

Recruitment was conducted as per the protocol.

Pre-assignment

Screening details:

Screening was conducted as per protocol.

Period 1

Period 1 title	Overall Period (overall period)
Is this the baseline period?	Yes
Allocation method	Not applicable
Blinding used	Not blinded

Arms

Arm title	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)
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Arm description:

Six eligible patients received six doses of afamelanotide 16mg, one dose every 28 days, as a controlled-release formulation.

Arm type	Experimental
Investigational medicinal product name	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)
Investigational medicinal product code	
Other name	
Pharmaceutical forms	Implant
Routes of administration	Subcutaneous use

Dosage and administration details:

16mg implant, 1 dose every 28 days, 6 doses in total

Number of subjects in period 1	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)
Started	6
Completed	6

Baseline characteristics

Reporting groups

Reporting group title	Overall Period
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Reporting group description: -

Reporting group values	Overall Period	Total	
Number of subjects	6	6	
Age categorical			
Units: Subjects			
Adults (18-64 years)	5	5	
From 65-84 years	1	1	
Gender categorical			
Units: Subjects			
Female	5	5	
Male	1	1	

End points

End points reporting groups

Reporting group title	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)
Reporting group description: Six eligible patients received six doses of afamelanotide 16mg, one dose every 28 days, as a controlled-release formulation.	

Primary: The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (A).

End point title	The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (A). ^[1]
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End point description:

End point type	Primary
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End point timeframe:

From baseline to Day 168.

Notes:

[1] - No statistical analyses have been specified for this primary end point. It is expected there is at least one statistical analysis for each primary end point.

Justification: Statistics are not provided because they are not mandatory for a single arm study.

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	2.5 (1.0 to 3.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (B).

End point title	The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (B).
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End point description:

A lower score indicates a reduced severity of the disease.

End point type	Secondary
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End point timeframe:

Median change from baseline to Day 168.

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	-3.0 (-5.0 to 0.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (C).

End point title	The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (C).
End point description: A lower score indicates a reduced severity of the disease.	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe: Median change from baseline to Day 168.	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	-2.0 (-3.0 to 1.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (D).

End point title	The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (D).
End point description:	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe:	
Median change from baseline to Day 168.	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	2.5 (1.0 to 3.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (E).

End point title	The change in disease severity in patients with VP as measured by a scoring system (E).
End point description: A lower score indicates a reduced severity of the disease.	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe: Median change from baseline to Day 168.	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	-6.5 (-9.0 to -1.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in number of new skin lesions formed.

End point title	The change in number of new skin lesions formed.
End point description: A lower score indicates a reduced severity of the disease.	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe: Median change from baseline to Day 168	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Change in number of new skin lesion.				
median (full range (min-max))	-6.5 (-11.0 to 4.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by a validated global quality of life tool (A).

End point title	The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by a validated global quality of life tool (A).			
End point description:	Percent activity impairment due to health. A lower score indicates a reduced impairment.			
End point type	Secondary			
End point timeframe:	Median change from baseline to Day 168.			

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	-10.0 (-80.0 to 40.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by a disease specific tool (B).

End point title	The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by a disease specific tool (B).			
End point description:	A lower score indicates a reduced severity of the disease.			

End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe:	
From baseline to Day 168.	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score				
median (full range (min-max))	-12.0 (-23.0 to -3.0)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by disease specific questionnaire (C).

End point title	The change in the Quality of Life in patients with VP as measured by disease specific questionnaire (C).
End point description:	
Not appropriate to calculate total scores.	
End point type	Secondary
End point timeframe:	
From baseline to Day 168.	

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Score	0			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Secondary: The change in outdoor light exposure over time (Daily Diary).

End point title	The change in outdoor light exposure over time (Daily Diary).
End point description:	
Median number of daily hours of sunlight exposure.	
End point type	Secondary

End point timeframe:
From baseline to Day 168.

End point values	SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg)			
Subject group type	Reporting group			
Number of subjects analysed	6			
Units: Change in light exposure over time				
median (full range (min-max))	0.70 (0.2 to 2.3)			

Statistical analyses

No statistical analyses for this end point

Adverse events

Adverse events information^[1]

Timeframe for reporting adverse events:

All adverse events were monitored from baseline until 3 months after end of treatment.

Assessment type	Non-systematic
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Dictionary used

Dictionary name	MedDRA
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Dictionary version	26.1
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Reporting groups

Reporting group title	Arm 1
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Reporting group description:

To avoid potential breach of confidentiality and privacy, adverse event information is not released as a rare disease patient may be individually identifiable from a small study.

Serious adverse events	Arm 1		
Total subjects affected by serious adverse events			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 6 (0.00%)		
number of deaths (all causes)	0		
number of deaths resulting from adverse events	0		

Frequency threshold for reporting non-serious adverse events: 5 %

Non-serious adverse events	Arm 1		
Total subjects affected by non-serious adverse events			
subjects affected / exposed	0 / 6 (0.00%)		

Notes:

[1] - There are no non-serious adverse events recorded for these results. It is expected that there will be at least one non-serious adverse event reported.

Justification: To avoid potential breach of confidentiality and privacy, adverse event information is not released as a rare disease patient may be individually identifiable from a small study.

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.

N/A

Notes: