ImmunoTACE

Submission date	Recruitment status No longer recruiting	[X] Prospectively registered		
28/10/2013		Protocol		
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan		
11/12/2013	Completed	☐ Results		
Last Edited	Condition category	[] Individual participant data		
06/09/2019	Cancer	Record updated in last year		

Plain English summary of protocol

http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-trial-looking-at-using-chemotherapy-a-cancer-vaccine-and-chemoembolisation-for-liver-cancer

Contact information

Type(s)

Scientific

Contact name

Prof David Adams

Contact details

I-ACT Team,
CRCTU, 5th Floor East,
Institute of Translational Medicine,
Heritage Building,
Mindelsohn Way,
Edgbaston
Birmingham
United Kingdom
B15 2TT

Additional identifiers

Clinical Trials Information System (CTIS)

2011-001690-62

Protocol serial number

VERSION 9: RG_10-148

Study information

Scientific Title

A randomised phase II clinical trial of conditioning cyclophosphamide and chemoembolisation with or without vaccination with dendritic cells pulsed with hepg2 lysate in vivo in patients with hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)

Study objectives

Current study hypothesis as of 12/02/2019:

To determine whether activity due to the addition of dendritic cells (DC) vaccine to chemoembolisation and preconditioning prolongs progression free survival (PFS) and warrants further investigation.

Previous study hypothesis:

To determine whether activity due to the addition of dendritic cells (DC) vaccine to chemoembolisation and preconditioning cyclophosphamide warrants further investigation in a large randomised phase III clinical trial.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

UK National Ethics committee - NRES Committee West Midlands - Coventry and Warwickshire; Ref: 11/WM/0367

Study design

Phase II randomised trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Prevention

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Hepacellular Carcinoma

Interventions

Dendritic cell vaccine, Cyclophosphamide, TACE (standard treatment)

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Phase II

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Cyclophosphamide

Primary outcome(s)

Progression Free survival time at every visit

Key secondary outcome(s))

Current secondary outcome measures as of 12/02/2019:

- 1. Radiological response assessment (RECIST 1.1 criteria) measured at baseline, Day 60 and then every 3 months thereafter
- 2. Change in the tumour marker serum alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) at every visit
- 3. Assessment of toxicity using Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) (version 4) at every visit
- 4. Immune response at every visit
- 5. Overall survival time
- 6. Radiological response based on modified RECISIT (mRECIST)
- 7. Progression free survival at 12 months where progression is determined by mRECIST

Previous secondary outcome measures:

- 1. Radiological response rate (RECIST criterion) measured at baseline, Day 60 and then every 3 months thereafter
- 2. Rate of change in the tumour marker serum alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) at every visit
- 3. Assessment of toxicity using National Cancer Institute common terminology criteria for adverse events version 4.02 (NCI-CTCAE version 4) at every visit
- 4. Immune response rate at every visit
- 5. Overall survival

Completion date

30/11/2020

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Current participant inclusion criteria:

- 1. Histological or cytological diagnosis or meet the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) criteria for diagnosis of HCC and at least one unidimensional lesion measurable according to the Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors 1.1 (RECIST 1.1) by CT-scan or MRI
- 2. Suitable for transcatheter arterial chemoembolization (TACE)
- 3. Aged >18 years and estimated life expectancy >6 months
- 4. Not a candidate for surgical resection or transplantation
- 5. No previous chemotherapy, radiotherapy, immunotherapy or other experimental treatment for HCC prior to entry into the trial
- 6. ECOG performance status <= 2
- 7. Adequate haematological function: Hb >9g/L, Absolute neutrophil count >1.5x109/L, platelet count >50x109/L
- 8. Bilirubin < 50 umol/L, AST or ALT < 5 x ULN
- 9. Adequate renal function: Cockroft and Gault estimation > 40ml/min
- 10. INR less than or equal to 1.5
- 11. ChildPugh score ≤ 7
- 12. Women of childbearing potential should have a negative pregnancy test prior to trial entry
- 13. Women of childbearing potential and men who have partners of childbearing potential must be willing to practise effective contraception for the duration of the study and for six months after the completion of treatment.
- 14. Written informed consent
- 15. Suitable veins for access with 17G fistula needle

Previous participant inclusion criteria:

- 1. Histological or cytological diagnosis or meet the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) criteria for diagnosis of HCC and at least one unidimensional lesion measurable according to the Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors (RECIST) criteria by CT scan or MRI
- 2. Suitable for transcatheter arterial chemoembolization (TACE)
- 3. Aged >18 years and estimated life expectancy >6 months
- 4. Not a candidate for surgical resection or transplantation
- 5. No previous chemotherapy, radiotherapy, immunotherapy or other experimental treatment for HCC prior to entry into the trial
- 6. ECOG performance status <= 2
- 7. Adequate haematological function: Hb >9g/L, Absolute neutrophil count >1.5x109/L, platelet count >50x109/L
- 8. Bilirubin < 50 umol/L, AST or ALT < 5 x ULN
- 9. Adequate renal function: Cockroft and Gault estimation > 40ml/min
- 10. INR less than or equal to 1.5
- 11. ChildPugh score < 7
- 12. Women of childbearing potential should have a negative pregnancy test prior to trial entry
- 13. Women of childbearing potential and men who have partners of childbearing potential must be willing to practise effective contraception for the duration of the study and for three months after the completion of treatment.
- 14. Written informed consent

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

Current participant exclusion criteria as of 12/02/2019:

- 1. Extrahepatic metastasis
- 2. Prior embolisation, systemic or radiation therapy for HCC
- 3. Investigational therapy or major surgery within 4 weeks of trial entry
- 4. Any ablative therapy [radiofrequency ablation (RFA) or percutaneous ethanol injection (PEI)] for HCC [this should not exclude patients if target lesion(s) have not been treated and occurred >6 weeks prior trial entry]
- 5. Child Pugh score >7
- 6. Hepatic encephalopathy
- 7. Ascites refractory to diuretic therapy
- 8. Documented invasion of the main portal vein

- 9. Hypersensitivity to intravenous contrast agents
- 10. Active clinically serious infection >grade 2 NCI-CTC version 4.0 within preceding two weeks
- 11. Pregnant or lactating women
- 12. History of second malignancy except those treated with curative intent more than three years previously without relapse and nonmelanotic skin cancer or cervical carcinoma in situ
- 13. Evidence of severe or uncontrolled systemic diseases, congestive cardiac failure >NYHA class
- 2, myocardial infarction (MI) within 6 months or laboratory finding that in the view of the investigator makes it undesirable for the patient to participate in the trial
- 14. Psychiatric or other disorder likely to impact on informed consent
- 15. Known history of HIV
- 16. Patient is unable and/or unwilling to comply with treatment and trial instructions
- 17. Patients with active autoimmune disorder
- 18. Hypersensitivity to cyclophosphamide or to any of its metabolites
- 19. Current cystitis infection
- 20. Urinary outflow obstruction

Previous participant exclusion criteria:

- 1. Extrahepatic metastasis
- 2. Prior embolisation, systemic or radiation therapy for HCC
- 3. Investigational therapy or major surgery within 4 weeks of trial entry
- 4. Any ablative therapy [radiofrequency ablation (RFA) or percutaneous ethanol injection (PEI)] for HCC [this should not exclude patients if target lesion(s) have not been treated and occurred >6 weeks prior trial entry]
- 5. Child Pugh score >7
- 6. Hepatic encephalopathy
- 7. Ascites refractory to diuretic therapy
- 8. Documented invasion of the main portal vein
- 9. Hypersensitivity to intravenous contrast agents
- 10. Active clinically serious infection >grade 2 NCI-CTC version 4.0 (appendix 7) within preceding two weeks
- 11. Pregnant or lactating women
- 12. History of second malignancy except those treated with curative intent more than three years previously without relapse and nonmelanotic skin cancer or cervical carcinoma in situ
- 13. Evidence of severe or uncontrolled systemic diseases, congestive cardiac failure >NYHA class
- 2, myocardial infarction (MI) within 6 months or laboratory finding that in the view of the investigator makes it undesirable for the patient to participate in the trial
- 14. Psychiatric or other disorder likely to impact on informed consent
- 15. Known history of HIV
- 16. Patient is unable and/or unwilling to comply with treatment and trial instructions
- 17. Patients with active autoimmune disorder

Date of first enrolment

06/01/2014

Date of final enrolment

30/09/2019

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham United Kingdom B15 2TH

Study participating centre Queens Medical Centre Nottingham United Kingdom NG7 2UH

Study participating centre
Aintree University Hospital
Liverpool
United Kingdom
L9 7A

Sponsor information

Organisation

University of Birmingham (UK)

ROR

https://ror.org/03angcq70

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) (UK) - EME grant

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The data sharing plans for the current study are unknown and will be made available at a later date.

IPD sharing plan summary

Data sharing statement to be made available at a later date

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
HRA research summary			28/06/2023	No	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes