

# Accelerated Bleomycin, Etoposide, Platinum (BEP) chemotherapy for intermediate and high risk metastatic germ cell tumour

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<http://cancerhelp.cancerresearchuk.org/trials/a-trial-looking-at-two-weekly-bep-chemotherapy-for-germ-cell-tumours-in-men>

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### ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)

NCT00453232

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A090011

# Study information

## Scientific Title

A non-randomised phase II pilot study of Accelerated Bleomycin, Etoposide, Platinum (BEP) chemotherapy for intermediate and high risk metastatic germ cell tumours

## Acronym

Accelerated BEP

## Study objectives

To assess the tolerability and toxicity of an accelerated regimen of chemotherapy in patients with germ cell tumours.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Eastern Multicentre Research Ethics Committee, 07/04/2004, ref: 04/5/024

## Study design

Multicentre non-randomised single-arm registration/interventional trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Metastatic germ cell tumour

## Interventions

Day 1: etoposide (165 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)/cisplatin (50 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) (intravenous [IV] infusions)  
Day 2: etoposide (165 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)/cisplatin (50 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)/bleomycin (30,000 units) (IV infusions)  
Day 3: etoposide (165 mg/m<sup>2</sup>)  
Day 4: granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) injection (6 mg)  
Day 6, 7 or 8: bleomycin (30,000 units) (IV infusion)  
Day 10, 11 or 12: bleomycin (30,000 units) (IV infusion)

This is a single armed trial. Patients are followed-up according to institutional practice, however, the study requires computed tomography (CT), audiometry and lung function tests to be performed at one and two years post-chemotherapy.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Phase II

## **Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Bleomycin, etoposide, platinum (BEP) chemotherapy

## **Primary outcome(s)**

The primary endpoint of feasibility will be judged by the results of all of the data via a risk-benefit analysis.

Toxicity will be assessed using the National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (NCI-CTCAE) version 3.0 criteria during treatment, and then via CR51-EDTA for renal function (pre-treatment versus post-treatment). Audiometry and lung function tests (pulmonary vital capacity and diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide [DLCO]) are standard assessments performed. There is also a clinical assessment of neurotoxicity (including two-point discrimination, Romberg test, tendon reflexes and vibration test, along with NCI CTC neuropathy-motor toxicity and neuro-sensory toxicity assessments).

The patients are also given a simple questionnaire regarding tingling, burning and weakness they have experienced; its location, frequency and impact.

## **Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. To establish the response rate to this treatment
2. To establish progression free survival

## **Completion date**

01/08/2009

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

Patients must fulfill all of the following criteria in a particular category:

1. Non-seminoma germ cell tumour (intermediate risk):
  - 1.1. Testis or retroperitoneal primary
  - 1.2. Abnormal markers as below:
    - 1.2.1. Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) greater than 1,000 and less than 10,000 ng/ml
    - 1.2.2. Human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG) greater than 5,000 and less than 50,000 iu/l
    - 1.2.3. Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) greater than 1.5 x to less than 10 x the upper limit of normal
  - 1.3. No liver, bone, brain or other non-pulmonary visceral metastasis
  - 1.4. Histological confirmation of non-seminomatous germ cell tumours (NSGCT) is not required if AFP or HCG are grossly elevated
2. Non-seminoma germ cell tumour (poor prognosis):
  - 2.1. Mediastinal primary, or
  - 2.2. Non-pulmonary visceral metastases, or
  - 2.3. Poor markers - any of AFP greater than 10,000 ng/ml, HCG greater than 50,000 iu/l, LDH greater than 10 x upper limit of normal
  - 2.4. Histological confirmation of NSGCT is not required if AFP or HCG are grossly elevated
3. Seminoma (intermediate prognosis):
  - 3.1. Histological confirmation of seminoma is required
  - 3.2. Any primary site
  - 3.3. Non-pulmonary visceral metastases must be present

3.4. Normal AFP

3.5. Any HCG

3.6. Any LDH

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Male

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Aged less than 18 years or over 40 years
2. Female patients
3. Previous malignancy except basal cell carcinoma of the skin
4. Previous chemotherapy or radiotherapy
5. Inadequate renal function - patients with creatinine clearance below 60 ml/min are excluded unless this is due to obstructive uropathy which can be relieved by nephrostomy
6. Neutrophils less than  $1.0 \times 10^9/L$ , platelets less than 100,000 prior to commencing treatment
7. Patient unable to understand and consent in English unless a full interpreter service is provided including translation of all documents or the provision of a tape recording of the consultation

**Date of first enrolment**

01/08/2004

**Date of final enrolment**

01/08/2009

**Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

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# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Other

## Funder Name

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## Funder Name

Amgen (UK) - providing discounted Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim) 6 mg/0.6 ml syringes

# Results and Publications

## Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

## IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	06/09/2011		Yes	No
<a href="#">Plain English results</a>				No	Yes