

# Prospective randomised clinical trial phase II: 5-fluorouracil/folinic acid (5-FU/FA) and irinotecan versus combination cepecitabin and irinotecan in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer as first line treatment

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# Study information

## Scientific Title

Prospective randomised clinical trial phase II: 5-fluorouracil/folinic acid (5-FU/FA) and irinotecan versus combination capecitabine and irinotecan in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer as first line treatment

## Study objectives

There will be no statistically significant differences in efficacy, safety and survival of XELIRI regimen compared to standard FOLFIRI regimen in neoadjuvant setting of patients with unresectable liver-only metastases of colorectal cancer.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

National Medical Ethics Committee, Ministry of Health, 09/12/2003, ref: 135/12/03

## Study design

Prospective randomised single-centre phase II trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

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

Inoperable liver metastases of colorectal cancer

## Interventions

The patients were randomised to either group A (XELIRI) or group B (FOLFIRI) (1:1 randomisation).

XELIRI regimen consisted of irinotecan (i.v.) 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> given on Day 1 and capecitabine (oral) 1,000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> twice daily on Day 2-15, every 21 days.

FOLFIRI regimen consisted of irinotecan (i.v.) 180 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) (i.v.) 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, leucovorin (LV) (i.v.) 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, 5-FU (i.v.) 2,400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> (46-h infusion), all given on Day 1, every 14 days.

The patients in both groups received premedication with dexamethason 20 mg (intravenous [i.v.]), granisetron 1 mg i.v. and diazepam 10 mg i.v. on Day 1 of each chemotherapy cycle.

Planned treatment duration with chemotherapy was 24 weeks in both arms. In cases where the liver metastases became operable in response to the initial (neoadjuvant or preoperative) chemotherapy, radical (R0) resection of the metastases was performed.

## **Intervention Type**

Drug

## **Phase**

Phase II

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

Cepecitabin and Irinotecan

## **Primary outcome measure**

During the therapy, the following were assessed at baseline, 3 and 6 months, thereafter follow-up was every 3 months until progression of the disease (no limit on the maximum duration of follow-up):

1. Response rate: Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST)
2. Rate of radical surgical resection (R0 resection)

## **Secondary outcome measures**

During the therapy, the following were assessed at baseline, 3 and 6 months, thereafter follow-up was every 3 months until progression of the disease (no limit on the maximum duration of follow-up):

1. Safety
2. Progression-free survival (PFS)
3. Overall survival (OS)

## **Overall study start date**

01/01/2004

## **Completion date**

31/12/2006

# **Eligibility**

## **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Both males and females, age between 18-75 years
2. World Health Organization (WHO) performance status 0-1
3. Inoperable liver metastases of colorectal adenocarcinoma
4. No prior chemotherapy for metastatic disease

5. >6 months since adjuvant treatment
6. At least one measurable lesion visible on spiral computerised tomography (CT)
7. Adequate haematological, hepatic and renal function

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Upper age limit**

75 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

100

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Metastases outside of the liver
2. Local recurrence of colorectal cancer
3. Bilirubin >2 x upper limit of normal (ULN), aspartate aminotransferase (AST) or alanine aminotransferase (ALT) >5 x ULN
4. Clinical signs of cardiac decompensation
5. Ischaemic heart disease
6. Inflammatory bowel disease
7. History of other cancer
8. Participation in other study protocol

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/2004

**Date of final enrolment**

31/12/2006

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Slovenia

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## ROR

<https://ror.org/0452h9305>

# Funder(s)

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# Results and Publications

## Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

## Intention to publish date

## 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	22/04/2009		Yes	No