

# Chemotherapy with methotrexate and cytarabine with or without thiotepa, and with or without rituximab, followed by brain irradiation vs chemotherapy supported by autologous stem cells transplantation for immunocompetent patients with central nervous system lymphoma

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-trial-looking-high-dose-chemotherapy-radiotherapy-stem-cell-transplant-people-recently-diagnosed-primary-lymphoma-brain-spinal-cord-ielgs-32>

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## Clinical Trials Information System (CTIS)

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## ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)

NCT01011920

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10139

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Randomized phase II trial on primary chemotherapy with high-dose methotrexate and high-dose cytarabine with or without thiotepa, and with or without rituximab, followed by brain irradiation vs high-dose chemotherapy supported by autologous stem cells transplantation for immunocompetent patients with newly diagnosed primary CNS lymphoma.

## Acronym

IELSG32

## Study objectives

Objectives:

To establish in a prospective, randomized phase II trial, the activity of three different chemotherapy combinations in patients with newly diagnosed primary central nervous system lymphoma (PCNSL):

1. High-dose methotrexate (HD-MTX) + high-dose cytarabine (HD-araC)
2. HD-MTX + HD-araC + rituximab
3. HD-MTX + HD-araC + rituximab + thiotepa

To establish the efficacy of two consolidation strategies: conventional whole-brain radiotherapy (WBRT) vs. highdose chemotherapy supported by autologous stem cell transplantation (HDC + ASCT) in patients with newly diagnosed PCNSL.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

29/06/2011, ref: 11/LO/0420

## Study design

Randomised, interventional

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Lymphoma (non-Hodgkin's)

## Interventions

Patients will be randomised to one of 3 chemotherapy regimens:

Arm A Methotrexate & Cytarabine

Arm B - Methotrexate & Cytarabine with Rituximab

Arm C Methotrexate & Cytarabine with Rituximab and Thiotepa

Those who are in SD or respond to treatment will be further randomised to consolidation therapy.

Arm D Whole Brain Radiotherapy

Arm E BCNU, Thiotepa and Stem Cell Transplant

Follow Up Length: 120 month(s); Study Entry : Multiple Randomisations

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Phase II

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

1. Carmustine 2. Cytarabine 3. Methotrexate 4. Rituximab 5. Thiotepa

## Primary outcome(s)

Complete remission following primary chemotherapy

## Key secondary outcome(s)

Failure-free survival at 2 years

## Completion date

30/09/2013

## Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

1. Histological or cytological assessed diagnosis of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
2. Diagnostic sample obtained by stereotactic or surgical biopsy, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) cytology examination or vitrectomy
3. Disease exclusively localized into the central nervous system, CSF, cranial nerves or eyes
4. At least one measurable lesion
5. Previously untreated patients (previous or ongoing steroid therapy admitted)
6. Aged 18-65 years (with ECOG Performance Status 0-3), Aged 66-70 (with ECOG Performance Status 0-2)
7. Adequate bone marrow (PLT = 100000 mm<sup>3</sup>, Hb = 9 g/dl, ANC = 2.000 mm<sup>3</sup>)
8. Adequate bone marrow (PLT ≥ 100000 mm<sup>3</sup>, Hb ≥ 9 g/dl, ANC ≥ 2.000 mm<sup>3</sup>), renal (creatinine clearance ≥ 60 ml/min) cardiac (VEF ≥ 50%), hepatic function (total serum bilirubin ≤ 3 mg/dL, AST/ALT and γGT ≤ 2 per upper normal limit value).
9. Sexually active patients of childbearing potential agreeing in implementing adequate contraceptive measures during study participation. (13 is part of 12 inclusion criteria)
10. Absence of any familial, sociological or geographical condition potentially hampering

compliance with the study protocol and follow-up schedule  
11. Patient-signed informed consent obtained before registration  
12. Male or female participants

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Upper age limit**

65 years

**Sex**

All

**Total final enrolment**

227

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients with lymphomatous lesions outside the CNS
2. Patients with a previous non-Hodgkin lymphoma at any time
3. Previous or concurrent malignancies with the exception of surgically cured carcinoma in-situ of the cervix, carcinoma of the skin or other cancers without evidence of disease at least from 5 years
4. Hepatitis-B-Virus surface antigen (HBsAg) and Hepatitis-C-Virus (HCV) positivity
5. HIV infection, previous organ transplantation or other clinically evident form of immunodeficiency
6. Concurrent treatment with other experimental drugs
7. Concurrent pregnancy or lactation
8. Patients not agreeing to take adequate contraceptive measures during the study
9. Symptomatic coronary artery disease, cardiac arrhythmias uncontrolled with medication or myocardial infarction within the last 6 months (New York Heart Association Class III or IV heart disease)

**Date of first enrolment**

01/10/2011

**Date of final enrolment**

30/09/2013

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

United Kingdom

England

Germany

Italy

Switzerland

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**

Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/0485axj58>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Charity

**Funder Name**

Cancer Research UK Clinical Trials Advisory and Awards Committee

## Results and Publications

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan**

Not provided at time of registration

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study outputs**

<b>Output type</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Date created</b>	<b>Date added</b>	<b>Peer reviewed?</b>	<b>Patient-facing?</b>
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/05/2016	10/04/2019	Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/11/2017	10/04/2019	Yes	No
<a href="#">HRA research summary</a>			28/06/2023	No	No
<a href="#">Plain English results</a>			25/10/2022	No	Yes
<a href="#">Study website</a>	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes