

# A randomised phase II study of doxorubicin combined with thalidomide versus doxorubicin alone for patients with unresectable hepatocellular carcinoma

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Acronym

HCC

## Study objectives

Previous trials showed that both doxorubicin and thalidomide have anti-tumour activity against hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC). There are indications that these two agents interact synergistically and have non-overlapping toxicity profiles. This trial studies the feasibility and efficacy of doxorubicin combined with thalidomide for the treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma, compared with doxorubicin as single agent.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Received from the local medical ethics committee

## Study design

Randomised active controlled parallel group 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

Hepatocellular cancer

## Interventions

Control arm: doxorubicin 60 mg/m<sup>2</sup> day 1, three weekly course with in total 6 cycles (maximum 360 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) given intravenously in 15 minutes.

Experimental arm: doxorubicin treatment as in control arm plus from day 3 on, thalidomide 200 mg daily administered in the evening. When doxorubicin administration has finished, thalidomide should be continued until progression of disease.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Specified

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

Doxorubicin, thalidomide

**Primary outcome measure**

One-year survival

**Secondary outcome measures**

1. Response rate scored according to Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST) criteria
2. Time to progression
3. Quality of life
4. Toxicity

**Overall study start date**

17/06/2004

**Completion date**

01/01/2008

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

1. Histologically proven HCC
2. Irresectable tumour
3. Failure to previous treatment
4. World Health Organization (WHO) performance status 0 - 2
5. At least 4 weeks since prior treatment with HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors or systemic immunosuppressive
6. Adequate hepatic and bone marrow function

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Not Specified

**Sex**

Not Specified

**Target number of participants**

30

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Prior treatment with doxorubicin or thalidomide
2. Uncontrolled hypertension
3. Unstable angina
4. Arrhythmias requiring treatment
5. Myocardial infarction (MI)
6. Thrombo-embolic events requiring treatment
7. Congestive heart failure or cardiomyopathy requiring treatment
8. Peripheral neuropathy

**Date of first enrolment**

17/06/2004

**Date of final enrolment**

01/01/2008

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

Netherlands

**Study participating centre**

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## Sponsor information

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Hospital/treatment centre

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**ROR**

<https://ror.org/018906e22>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Not defined

**Funder Name**

Not provided at time of registration

## **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