Circulating tumour cells in bladder cancer patients treated with chemotherapy and radical cystectomy – enumeration, characterization and evaluation of prognostic value (the CIRCH-study)

Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
Completed	Results
Condition category	Individual participant data
Cancer	Record updated in last year
	Overall study status Completed Condition category

Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Survival after chemotherapy for bladder cancer either alone or in combination with surgery is generally limited. Prognostic markers, or biological characteristics, such as levels of a particular protein in the body, that can be used to predict the response of chemotherapy treatment are currently lacking. This study investigates the number of, and characteristics of, circulating tumour cells (CTCs) in patients with bladder cancer receiving cisplatin-based combination chemotherapy. The aim is to see whether the presence and alterations of CTC-levels during chemotherapy are associated with progression-free survival (that is the time taken from after the treatment to progression of the disease).

Who can participate?

Adults with advanced bladder cancer undergoing chemotherapy.

What does the study involve?

Patients are observed for up to two years during and after their chemotherapy treatment. Blood samples are taken and analysed for CTCs throughout the study.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

The risks of participating in the study is connected with blood sampling only.

Where is the study run from? Skåne University Hospital (Sweden)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? March 2016 to December 2019

Who is funding the study? Lund University (Sweden)

Who is the main contact?

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Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers N/A

Study information

Scientific Title

CIRculating tumour cells in bladder cancer patients treated with CHemotherapy and radical cystectomy – enumeration, characterization and evaluation of prognostic value: a prospective investigational study

Acronym

CIRCH-study

Study objectives

Evaluate if presence and alterations of circulating tumour cell (CTC)-levels during chemotherapy are associated with progression-free survival.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Department 1, Lund University, 21/02/2013, ref: 2013/76

Study design

Prospective investigational

Primary study design

Observational

Secondary study design

Cross sectional study

Study setting(s)

Hospital

Study type(s)

Diagnostic

Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use contact details to request a participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Urothelial carcinoma

Interventions

Patients are recruited when treatment with chemotherapy either neoadjuvant as induction chemotherapy or in a palliative setting is considered. The levels of circulating tumour cells are monitored for, under and after chemotherapy. The duration of observation includes a minimal of 2 years follow-up after study inclusion.

Intervention Type

Drug

Primary outcome measure

Dynamic change in CTC during chemotherapy, using the Cellsearch method

Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Progression Free Survival (PFS) from date of chemotherapy start to progression/death (via patient chart review, using clinical and radiological (RESIST 1.1) criteria.)
- 2. Overall Survival (OS), measured as death from any cause

Overall study start date

Completion date

30/12/2019

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Locally advanced high grade urothelial carcinoma of the bladder scheduled for chemotherapy in the following settings; neoadjuvant, induction or palliative

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

Bladder cancer with planned chemotherapy as neoadjuvant, induction or palliative intent.

Key exclusion criteria

Other malignant diseases

Date of first enrolment

17/03/2016

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2019

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Sweden

Study participating centre Skåne University Hospital

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Lund University

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Sponsor type

University/education

ROR

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Funder(s)

Funder type

University/education

Funder Name

Lund University (Sweden)

Funder Name

Cancerfonden (Sweden)

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Publication of current study will take place at the end of follow-up (2021)

Intention to publish date

31/12/2021

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Data sharing statement to be made available at a later date