# Prevention of sagopilone-induced neurotoxicity with acetyl-L-carnitine (ALC)

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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# Contact information

# Type(s)

Scientific

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ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)

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311602

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Double-blind, randomised phase II study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of acetyl-L-carnitine in the prevention of sagopilone-induced peripheral neuropathy

## **Acronym**

**REASON** 

## **Study objectives**

Primary objective:

To demonstrate the superiority of acetyl-L-carnitine (ALC) over placebo in the prevention of sagopilone-induced peripheral neuropathy.

## Secondary objectives:

- 1. To assess the safety and efficacy of sagopilone in combination with ALC
- 2. To assess the pharmacokinetics of sagopilone and ALC in this combination
- 3. To assess the pharmacogenomics of sagopilone in combination with ALC

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

London Research Ethics Committee, 20/10/2008

## Study design

Interventional treatment randomised double-blindparallel assignment phase II safety/efficacy study

## Primary study design

Interventional

# Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Ovarian cancer; hormone-resistant prostate cancer

#### Interventions

Participants will be enrolled in this study to be randomised (1:1) to one of two parallel treatment arms:

## Arm 1: Experimental group -

Subjects will receive intravenous (i.v.) infusion of sagopilone (16 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) for 3 hours on day 1 of a 3-week cycle. Duration of treatment is up to 6 courses. In addition, subjects will receive 21 weeks of prophylaxis with Acetyl-L-Carnitine (ALC) 1000 mg three times a day (TID).

## Arm 2: Control group -

Subjects will receive i.v. infusion of sagopilone (16 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) for 3 hours on day 1 of a 3-week cycle. Duration of treatment is up to 6 courses. In addition, subjects will receive 21 weeks of prophylaxis with placebo TID.

## Intervention Type

Drug

#### **Phase**

Phase II

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

Sagopilone, Acetyl-L-Carnitine

## Primary outcome(s)

Overall incidence of peripheral neuropathy (any grade) during at most 6 cycles of sagopilone treatment, based on adverse events, timeframe based on start of treatment to end of treatment.

## Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Efficacy of ALC:
- 1.1. Incidence of neuropathy of grade 3 or 4, time to onset of neuropathy, duration of neuropathy, measured from start of treatment to safety follow-up
- 1.2. Efficacy of ALC: percentage of discontinuations due to neuropathy, measured from start of treatment to safety follow-up
- 2. Safety of sagopilone in combination with ALC, measured from start of treatment to safety follow-up
- 3. Efficacy of sagopilone:
- 3.1. 'Best overall response' according to modified RECIST criteria, measured from start of treatment to end of treatment
- 3.2. 'Best overall response' according to CA-125 or PSA response, measured from start of treatment to end of treatment
- 3.3. Time to disease progression, Progression-free survival, measured from start of treatment to progression or death
- 3.4. Duration of response, measured from start of treatment to progression or death
- 3.5. WHO performance status, measured from screening to end of treatment
- 4. Pharmacokinetics:
- 4.1. Sagopilone concentrations (optional), measured on day 1, 2, 3, 5, 15 of cycle 1 and 2
- 4.2. ALC concentrations, measured at randomisation, day 1 of cycle 1 and 2
- 5. Pharmacogenomics (optional): in tumour tissue, blood and ascites, measured from blood sample at screening, tissue sample and ascites whenever available

## Completion date

05/08/2010

# **Eligibility**

## Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Males or females aged 18 years or over
- 2. World Health Organization (WHO) performance status 0 to 1
- 3. Epithelial ovarian, peritoneal cavity or fallopian tube cancer (except mucinous or clear cell tumours) or adenocarcinoma of the prostate (hormone-resistant prostate cancer [HRPC])
- 4. At least one unidimensional measurable lesion (suitable for Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors [RECIST] evaluation) or for patients without measurable disease, CA 125 levels greater than or equal to two times the upper limit of normal (ULN) within 3 months and confirmed within 2 weeks prior to first infusion (ovarian cancer) or prostate specific antigen (PSA) value greater than or equal to 5 ng/mL (HRPC)
- 5. For HRPC: progression of disease despite adequate androgen-inhibiting hormone therapy. For

ovarian cancer: progression of disease or symptomatic relapse after previous therapy.

- 6. No clinical residual neuropathy
- 7. Adequate recovery from previous surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy (excluding alopecia)
- 8. Adequate function of major organs and systems
- 9. Survival expectation greater than or equal to 3 months
- 10. Negative pregnancy test at enrolment (females of childbearing potential only)
- 11. Written informed consent

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Healthy volunteers allowed

Nο

## Age group

Adult

## Lower age limit

18 years

#### Sex

All

## Total final enrolment

271

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Candidacy for curative resection
- 2. Symptomatic brain metastases requiring whole-brain irradiation
- 3. Congenital bleeding diathesis, acquired coagulopathy or patients receiving full dose of anticoagulants for the treatment of thromboembolism
- 4. Any concomitant malignancy (some exceptions allowed)
- 5. History of organ allograft
- 6. Diabetes mellitus (even if controlled only by special diet)
- 7. History of chronic hepatitis B or C, or known human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection
- 8. Seizure disorder requiring medication (such as steroids or anti-epileptics)
- 9. Inability to swallow oral medications
- 10. Any malabsorption condition
- 11. Active infection
- 12. Breast feeding
- 13. Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients of any of the study medications
- 15. Concomitant use of neurotoxic drugs
- 16. Concomitant use of compounds that have potentially positive effects towards symptoms of neuropathy
- 17. Prior radiotherapy less than 4 weeks prior
- 18. Prior flutamide of cyproterone acetate less than 4 weeks prior
- 19. Prior bicalutamide or nilutamide less than 6 weeks prior
- 20. Anticancer chemotherapy or immunotherapy during the study or within four weeks of study entry
- 21. Major surgery less than 28 days prior to start of treatment

- 22. Prior treatment with epothilones
- 23. Use of any investigational drug within 4 weeks before start of study treatment

## Date of first enrolment

29/08/2008

## Date of final enrolment

05/08/2010

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

**United Kingdom** 

England

Belgium

France

Germany

Italy

Netherlands

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Bayer Schering Pharma AG (Germany)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/04hmn8g73

# Funder(s)

# Funder type

Industry

## Funder Name

Bayer Schering Pharma AG (Germany)

# **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?
Results article	results	01/04/2013	28/02/2019	Yes	No
Basic results			20/05/2019		No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes