The effects of epidermal growth factor receptor inhibition on pulmonary arterial hypertension associated with systemic sclerosis

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Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan	
01/02/2007 Last Edited	Completed Condition category	Results	
		Individual participant data	
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

As Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) plays a role in pathogenesis of both pulmonary arterial hypertension and systemic sclerosis, EGFR inhibition will lead to beneficial effects in disease course.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Approval received from the Medical Ethics Review Committee of VU University Medical Centre.

Study design

Phase II study, open-labelled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Sclerosis-associated Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (SScPAH)

Interventions

All participants will receive cetuximab at a loading dose of 400 mg/m² in week one, followed by a weekly dose of 250 mg/m² starting from week two, up to a total of 12 weeks.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Phase II

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Cetuximab

Primary outcome(s)

Safety: recorded by assessment and documentation in the Case Report Form (CRF) file of adverse events and toxicity (physical examination [with special attention to skin toxicity], laboratory data) at pre-treatment, treatment visits (week one to 12), and follow-up (six months, 12 months).

Key secondary outcome(s))

Efficacy: measured by effects on six minute walk test, stroke volume, changes in High Resolution Computed Tomography (HRCT), N-Terminal B-type Natriuretic Peptide (NT-pro-BNP).

Completion date

01/01/2010

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

A subject is eligible for inclusion in this study only if all of the following criteria apply:

- 1. Written informed consent
- 2. Systemic sclerosis
- 3. Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) with a mean Pulmonary Arterial Pressure (PAP) of above 25 mmHg measured during rest
- 4. Pulmonary Vascular Resistance (PVR) above 300 dynes
- 5. Total Lung Capacity (TLC) more than 70%
- 6. New York Heart Association (NYHA) class III and/or six-Minute Walk Test (6-MWT) less than 80% predicted
- 7.Conventional PAH treatment and/or bosentan and/or sildenafil treatment
- 8. Stability on medication during the previous three months (defined as stable or decrease of 6-MWT after three months of treatment)

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Not Specified

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

A subject will be excluded from this study in case of the following criteria:

- 1. Left ventricular dysfunction
- 2. Valvular heart disease
- 3. Pericardial constriction
- 4. Wedge pressure more than or equal to 15 mmHg
- 5. Chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension
- 6. Uncontrolled sleep apnea
- 7. History of malignancies
- 8. Overt right heart failure
- 9. History or presence of skin ulcerations
- 10. Women Of Child-Bearing potential (WOCB) who are unwilling or unable to use contraceptives
- 11. Sexually active fertile man not using effective birth control if their partners are WOCB
- 12. Severe abnormality of the cornea
- 13. Inadequate haematologic function defined by an absolute neutrophil count less than 1,500 /mm^3, platelet count less than 80,000/mm^3 and haemoblobin level of less than 9 g/dL
- 14. Inadequate hepatic function defined by a total bilirubin level 1.5 times the Upper Limit of Normal (ULN) and ASpartate AminoTransferase (ASAT) levels 2.5 times ULN
- 15. Inadequate renal function defined by a serum creatinine level more than 1.5 times ULN (alternative: Cockroft less than 50 ml/min)
- 16. Substances that inhibit CYP3A4 activity, such as rifampicin, phenytoin, ketoconazole, itraconazole

Date of first enrolment 01/01/2007

Date of final enrolment 01/01/2010

Locations

Countries of recruitment Netherlands

Study participating centre
VU University Medical Center
Amsterdam
Netherlands
1007 MB

Sponsor information

Organisation

VU University Medical Centre (The Netherlands)

ROR

https://ror.org/00q6h8f30

Funder(s)

Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

Funder Name

VU University Medical Center (The Netherlands)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

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