

# Rituximab adjunctive therapy for Burkitt's lymphoma

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## Plain English summary of protocol

### Background and study aims

Burkitt's lymphoma is an uncommon form of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. It is a cancer that affects a type of white blood cells called lymphocytes. The aim of this study is to find out whether the addition of a single dose of the drug rituximab to standard anti-lymphoma treatment will improve outcomes in Burkitt's lymphoma, relapsed and resistant.

### Who can participate?

Children aged under 14 with Burkitt's lymphoma

### What does the study involve?

All patients receive the standard treatment for Burkitt's lymphoma and are randomly allocated into three groups. Group One receives one additional dose of 375mg/m<sup>2</sup> of rituximab on Day 15. Group Two receives one additional dose of 50mg/m<sup>2</sup> of rituximab on Day 15. Group Three receives no additional rituximab. The three groups are compared for the number of children in clinical complete remission at the end of chemotherapy and 1 year later.

### What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

Not provided at time of registration

### Where is the study run from?

Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital (Malawi)

### When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

June 2016 to March 2024

### Who is funding the study?

1. Alumni of University of Birmingham (UK)
2. The Scott Hampton Foundation for Burkitt's Research (UK)

### Who is the main contact?

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# Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number**

**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

**Secondary identifying numbers**

National Health Sciences Research NHSRC #15/511281

## **Study information**

**Scientific Title**

An open-label, randomised, phase 2 study of rituximab as adjunctive therapy in the treatment of Burkitt's lymphoma at QECH, Blantyre, Malawi

**Acronym**

RIBULY

**Study objectives**

Addition of rituximab to standard anti-lymphoma therapy will improve outcome in newly diagnosed, relapsed and resistant Burkitt's Lymphoma.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

National Health Sciences Research Committee, Ministry Of Health, Lilongwe 3, Malawi, 12/06 /2015, ref: NHSRC #15/511281

**Study design**

Open-label randomised phase II study

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Secondary study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)**

Hospital

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

**Participant information sheet**

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

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

Burkitt's lymphoma

**Interventions**

This study tests whether the addition of a single dose of rituximab to standard anti-lymphoma therapy will improve outcome in newly diagnosed, relapsed and resistant eBL. All patients will receive the standard therapy for Burkitt's lymphoma and will be randomised into 3 groups:

Group One will receive 1 additional dose of 375mg/m<sup>2</sup> of rituximab on Day 15

Group Two will receive 1 additional dose of 50mg/m<sup>2</sup> of rituximab on Day 15

Group Three will receive no additional rituximab

The study will compare between these three groups for the number of children in Clinical Complete Remission at the end of chemotherapy and a year later.

### **Intervention Type**

Drug

### **Phase**

Phase II

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

Not provided at time of registration

### **Primary outcome measure**

Clinical Complete Remission rate at end of chemotherapy

### **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Clinical Complete Remission rate at one year post chemotherapy
2. Severe adverse effects of rituximab

### **Overall study start date**

20/06/2016

### **Completion date**

01/03/2024

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Child <14 yrs of age with proven Burkitt's lymphoma (BL) or relapse or resistant BL
2. After full information, the guardians have given written informed consent, and the child if appropriate will be asked for assent
3. The guardian and patient will be willing and able to complete treatment and follow-up

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Age group**

Child

### **Upper age limit**

14 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

A total of 180 cases are expected to be enrolled in 3 yrs

**Total final enrolment**

293

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients known to be allergic to trial medications
2. Patients or their guardians who do not consent
3. Pregnant and/or breastfeeding patients

**Date of first enrolment**

20/06/2016

**Date of final enrolment**

01/03/2023

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

Malawi

**Study participating centre**

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

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<http://www.medcol.mw/contact-us/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/04vtx5s55>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

University/education

**Funder Name**

Alumni of University of Birmingham, UK

**Funder Name**

The Scott Hampton Foundation for Burkitt's Research

## Results and Publications

**Publication and dissemination plan****Intention to publish date**

30/06/2025

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

The datasets generated during and/or analysed during the current study are/will be available upon request from the TMG. Summary data including baseline characteristics and outcome data will be available after the primary publication for up to 5 years from the end of the study. Data will be shared with any researchers for whom the scope and purpose of the data sharing are agreed by the TMG, all participants have agreed to use of data for research, no identifiable data will be released and patients will have a unique trial number assigned. The researchers encourage data sharing and all reasonable requests will be reviewed favourably.

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Available on request

**Study outputs**

| Output type                      | Details | Date created | Date added | Peer reviewed? | Patient-facing? |
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| <a href="#">Abstract results</a> |         | 20/10/2024   | 15/11/2024 | No             | No              |

