

# Assessment of an abridged melarsoprol treatment schedule against late stage *Trypanosoma brucei rhodesiense* sleeping sickness, multinational phase II study (proof of concept)

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| <b>Submission date</b><br>10/03/2006   | <b>Recruitment status</b><br>No longer recruiting        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospectively registered |
|                                        |                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Protocol                            |
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|                                        |                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results                  |
| <b>Last Edited</b><br>04/01/2013       | <b>Condition category</b><br>Infections and Infestations | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual participant data         |

**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**  
P- 001-05-01-01

## Study information

## **Scientific Title**

### **Acronym**

IMPAMEL III

### **Study objectives**

The abridged melarsoprol treatment schedule is safe, tolerable and efficient against second stage *Trypanosoma brucei rhodesiense*.

### **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

### **Ethics approval(s)**

Ethics review of the clinical study protocol is ongoing in: Switzerland (Ethics Committee of Basel [EKBB]), Uganda (Ministry of Health) and Tanzania (National Institute for Medical Research [NIMR])

### **Primary study design**

Interventional

### **Study design**

Multicentre, multinational, non-controlled, phase II study (proof of concept)

### **Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

T.b. *rhodesiense* second stage trypanosomiasis

### **Interventions**

New drug treatment schedule for melarsoprol with or without standard pre-treatment with suramin.

### **Intervention Type**

Drug

### **Phase**

Phase II

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

Melarsoprol and suramin

### **Primary outcome(s)**

1. Efficacy: parasitological and clinical cure 24 hours after treatment
2. Safety: determined by a combined endpoint of serious adverse drug reactions with fatal outcome and other causes of death (e.g. disease-related opportunistic infections). The assessment of safety through the end of treatment evaluation, measurement of vital signs,

physical examinations and the use of concomitant medications is included. Adverse events which are spontaneously reported between the end of treatment evaluation and 30 days post-treatment will also be collected.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Parasitological and clinical cure 3, 6 and 12 months after completion of treatment and relapse, re-infection and death

**Completion date**

31/07/2007

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

Patient recruitment through:

1. Active surveillance in high prevalence villages
2. Passive case detection

Inclusion criteria:

1. Patients of either sex with second stage T.b. rhodesiense infection
2. Six years of age or older
3. Must provide written informed consent

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients with first stage T.b. rhodesiense infection i.e. presence of trypanosomes in blood upon microscopic examination and no trypanosomes in cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) and/or white blood cell count (WBC) less or equal to 5 cells per mm<sup>3</sup>
2. Moribund or unconscious patients at less than 8 points on the Glasgow coma scale
3. Pregnancy
4. Active clinically relevant medical conditions that in the investigators opinion may jeopardise subject safety or interfere with participation in the study, including but not limited to: significant liver disease, chronic pulmonary disease, significant cardiovascular disease, diabetes and open tuberculosis
5. Critically ill patients with any condition which necessitates immediate and concomitant treatment not listed above
6. The subject has been previously enrolled in the study

**Date of first enrolment**

01/05/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

31/07/2007

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Switzerland

Tanzania

Uganda

**Study participating centre**

**Socinstrasse 57**

Basel

Switzerland

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

Swiss Tropical Institute (Switzerland)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/03adhka07>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Research organisation

**Funder Name**

Swiss Tropical Institute (Switzerland) - core funding

**Funder Name**

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) (Switzerland) - funding for the planning of the trial

# 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? |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <a href="#">Results article</a> | results | 01/08/2012   |            | Yes            | No              |