

# A randomised two-arm, prospective, multi-centre, open-label phase III trial comparing the activity and safety of a weekly versus a three-weekly paclitaxel treatment schedule in patients with advanced or metastatic breast cancer

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<http://cancerhelp.cancerresearchuk.org/trials/a-trial-looking-at-weekly-versus-3-weekly-paclitaxel-for-breast-cancer-that-has-spread>

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### Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**

BR0201

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

A randomised two-arm, prospective, multi-centre, open-label phase III trial comparing the activity and safety of a weekly versus a three-weekly paclitaxel treatment schedule in patients with advanced or metastatic breast cancer

**Study objectives**

Primary objectives:

1. To compare the antitumour efficacy of weekly versus three-weekly paclitaxel as determined by the time to disease progression
2. To study polymorphisms in the genes responsible for paclitaxel metabolism and link these to response rates and toxicity

Secondary objectives:

1. To compare the toxicity of weekly versus three-weekly paclitaxel
2. To compare the response rate of weekly versus three-weekly paclitaxel
3. To compare overall survival in patients receiving weekly versus three-weekly paclitaxel
4. To compare quality of life in patients receiving weekly versus three-weekly paclitaxel

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Breast cancer

**Interventions**

Arm 1: Paclitaxel (90 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenous [IV] over 1 hour on day 1 every week for 12 cycles)

Arm 2: Paclitaxel (175 mg/m<sup>2</sup> IV over 3 hours on day 1 every 3 weeks for 6 cycles)

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Phase III

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

Paclitaxel

**Primary outcome(s)**

1. Antitumour efficacy, as determined by the time to disease progression
2. Polymorphisms in the genes responsible for paclitaxel metabolism, response rates and toxicity

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Toxicity
2. Response rate
3. Overall survival
4. Quality of life

**Completion date**

01/01/2006

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

1. Histologically proven breast cancer
2. Locally advanced or metastatic disease
3. Presence of measurable or evaluable lesions
4. Prior treatment with anthracyclines (either in the adjuvant setting or for metastatic disease) or contraindication to anthracyclines
5. Aged 18 years or greater
6. World Health Organization (WHO)/Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status less than or equal to 2
7. Adequate haematological, renal and hepatic function
8. Written informed consent

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Sex**

Female

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

16/09/2002

**Date of final enrolment**

01/01/2006

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

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**University of Newcastle Department of Oncology**

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

Anglo Celtic Cooperative Oncology Group (UK)

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Research organisation

**Funder Name**

Anglo Celtic Cooperative Oncology Group (UK) - supported by an educational grant from Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceuticals Limited

## **Results and Publications**

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

Not provided at time of registration

**Study outputs**

Output type  
[Plain English results](#)

Details

Date created

Date added

Peer reviewed?  
No

Patient-facing?  
Yes