# Administration of immune checkpoint inhibitors through an elastomeric pump. A patient preference study and cost analysis.

No registrations found.

Ethical review	Not applicable
Status	Pending
Health condition type	-
Study type	Interventional

# Summary

### ID

NL-OMON25676

**Source** Nationaal Trial Register

Brief title Connect&Go studie

#### **Health condition**

Solid tumors for which nivolumab or pembrolizumab monotherapy has an EMA approved indication. This includes (but is not limited to) melanoma, renal-cell cancer, NSCLC and head and neck cancer.

### **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Erasmus MC Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Erasmus MC

### Intervention

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

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The primary endpoint of this study is the percentage of patients indicating an overall preference for ICI-B or ICI-P.

### Secondary outcome

- Patient satisfaction score of ICI-B and ICI-P assessed using the Rituximab Administration Satisfaction Questionnaire (RASQ).

- The incidence of infusion site extravasations according to CTCAE v5.0.
- The incidence of infusion related reactions according to CTCAE v5.0.

- The percentage of HCPs indicating an overall preference for either ICI-B or ICI-P administration.

- Monetary costs of health care resources per cycle of ICI-B and ICI-P.
- The total chair time required per cycle of ICI-B and ICI-P.
- Total and task-specific HCP time required per cycle of ICI-B and ICI-P.

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

Since their introduction immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICIs) have become standard therapy in a rapidly increasing number of tumor

types and settings.

However, besides the many advantages these ICIs offer, new challenges arise. They put great strains on the available treatment

capacity of outpatient oncology clinics. In recent years a number of oncology monoclonal antibodies have become available as a

formulation for subcutaneous (SC) injection. These SC monoclonal antibodies such as rituximab, trastuzumab and daratumumab

have demonstrated to significantly reduce patient chair time, active healthcare professional (HCP) time, thereby reducing healthcare

costs. In addition to these advantages, they have also shown to be patients preferred method of administration and increase patient

satisfaction.

Recently in the Erasmus MC, positive experiences have been obtained with the use of elastomeric pumps during administration of

chemotherapy. ICI administration through an elastomeric pump (ICI-P) could be a safe and suitable option reduce patient chair time

by enabling patients to move more freely through the hospital during ICI infusion. Based on our own data it is estimated that full

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adoption of elastomeric pumps for ICIs could increase the capacity of our outpatient clinic for these patients by 400%. Besides these economic advantages, patients might also prefer ICI-P over ICI administration using a "classic" IV bag (ICI-B). Therefore we shall conduct an open-label, randomized, two cohort, two-arm crossover study to investigate the patient preference and healthcare professional preference for either ICI-B or ICI-P. Parallel to this trial an observational non-interventional microcosting study shall be conducted.

### Study objective

Significantly more patients will express an overall preference for ICI-P versus ICI-B

#### Study design

Baseline screening 1st cycle ICI-B/ICI-P 2nd cycle ICI-B/ICI-P 3rd cycle ICI-P/ICI-B 4th cycle ICI-P/ICI-B Medical history X

In- / exclusion criteria X

Provide Information about the study X

Written informed consent X

Nivolumab/Pembrolizumab monotherapy X X X X

Patient satisfaction questionnaire X X

Patient preference questionnaire X

HCP preference questionnaire X

Incidence of infusion site extravasations X X X X

Incidence of infusion related reactions X X X X

Monetary costs of healthcare resources per cycle of ICI-B X X X X

The total chair time required per cycle of ICI-B and ICI-P X X X X

Total and task-specific HCP time required per cycle of ICI-B and ICI-P X X X X

#### Intervention

Prior to the study, eligible patients have received a minimum of 3 doses of nivolumab or pembrolizumab without the occurrence of hypersensitivity reactions. Thereafter, eligible

patients will be randomized 1:1 in group A-B or group B-A. group A-B shall receive 2 cycles ICI-B (hereafter referred to as treatment A) followed by 2 cycles of ICI-P (hereafter referred to as treatment B). Patients in group B-A shall first receive two cycles of treatment B followed by two cycles of treatment A. eligible patients shall complete a questionnaire after two cycles of treatment A and after two cycles of treatment B. All patients will receive a dose of nivolumab every four weeks (Q4W) or pembrolizumab every three weeks (Q3W) or every six weeks (Q6W).

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# **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

- Age  $\geq$ 18 years;

- Able and willing to give written informed consent;

- Planned treatment with Nivolumab or Pembrolizumab monotherapy (in case of Nivolumab with or without prior treatment with Nivolumab/Ipilimumab) for any EMA approved indication and with any dose;

- Adequate Dutch language proficiency (at least proficiency level C1)

- At least 3 prior cycles of Nivolumab or Pembrolizumab therapy

- At least 4 remaining cycles of Nivolumab or Pembrolizumab monotherapy after inclusion in the study.

### **Exclusion criteria**

- Prior infusion related reactions to Nivolumab or Pembrolizumab (any grade).

# Study design

### Design

Interventional
Crossover
Randomized controlled trial
Open (masking not used)
Active

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	02-08-2021
Enrollment:	390
Туре:	Anticipated

### **IPD** sharing statement

Plan to share IPD: Undecided

# **Ethics review**

Not applicable Application type:

Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

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No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL9473
Other	METC EMC : METC 2021-0250

# **Study results**