

# A clinical trial to investigate immunotherapy (IMO-2125) in the skin of patients with a melanoma which is at least 2 millimeters thick

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| <b>Ethical review</b>        | Not applicable |
| <b>Status</b>                | Pending        |
| <b>Health condition type</b> | -              |
| <b>Study type</b>            | Interventional |

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON26696

### Source

NTR

### Brief title

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### Health condition

Melanoma

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Early-stage melanoma

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## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** VU University medical center

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Pillar Partners Foundation

Idera Pharmaceuticals

## Intervention

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The rate of tumor positive sentinel lymph nodes (SLN)

### Secondary outcome

1) Frequency and activation state of lymph node resident (LNR) conventional dendritic cells (DC) and melanoma antigen-specific T cell responses in the SLN and peripheral blood.

2) RFS

3) OS

## Study description

### Background summary

**Rationale:** Currently, there is no widely used adjuvant treatment available to improve survival after surgical excision of a primary melanoma. We previously described loco-regional and systemic immune stimulation as well as favourable clinical outcomes in terms of sentinel lymph node (SLN) tumor status and recurrence-free survival (RFS) in patients with clinical stage I-II melanoma who received a low dose of the TLR-9 agonist CPG7909 (CpG-B ODN) intradermally at the excision site of the primary tumor prior to the SLN biopsy (SNB). We now investigate the clinical activity of a next-generation CpG ODN, IMO-2125, and its ability to induce loco-regional and systemic immune stimulation in clinical T3-4N0M0 (cT3-4N0M0) melanoma patients.

**Objective:** The primary objective is to investigate whether local administration of a single dose of IMO-2125 at the primary melanoma excision site results in decreased tumor positive SLN rates. The secondary objectives are to investigate 1) whether a single dose of IMO-2125 induces a loco-regional and systemic immune response and 2) RFS and overall survival (OS) at 5 and 10 years after SNB.

**Study design:** A randomized single-center double-blind and placebo-controlled Phase II clinical trial.

**Study population:** Adult patients with cT3-4N0M0 melanoma who are scheduled to undergo a combined re-excision and sentinel node biopsy (SNB) procedure.

**Intervention:** Seven days before SNB, patients will receive an intradermal injection, directly adjacent to the excision site of the primary tumor, of 8mg IMO-2125 dissolved in 1 mL saline (0.9% sodium chloride) (n=107) or 1mL plain saline alone (placebo control n=107). 10 patients from each treatment arm will be enrolled in an immune monitoring sub-study.

Main study parameters/endpoints: SLN tumor status (positive or negative) 7 days after injection; SLN and systemic immune profile with emphasis on recruitment and/or activation in the SLN of dendritic cell (DC), effector-T cell and Treg subsets, and melanoma antigen-specific T cell responses in peripheral blood; RFS and OS at 5 and 10 years after treatment

Nature and extent of the burden and risks associated with participation and benefit: The burden associated with participation comprises one intradermal injection at the VU University medical center; and a follow-up contact at 5 and 10 years after SNB. For the 20 patients in the immune monitoring sub-study, 50 ml heparinized blood will be drawn at 4 time-points that will be planned together with standard treatment visits if possible but can result in 2 additional visits. The most common adverse events (AEs) seen with IMO-2125 are injection site reactions (ISR) and flu-like symptoms. In general, these reactions occur early and resolve within 48 hrs with non-specific measures. We do not expect to see any serious adverse events with IMO-2125 at this dose level. Potential benefits of IMO-2125 treatment in this trial may include SLN tumor clearance and a longer recurrence-free and overall survival.

## **Study objective**

Intradermal IMO-2125 treatment can result in a loco-regional anti-tumor immune response and SLN tumor clearance and a longer recurrence-free and overall survival in patients with cT3-4N0M0 melanoma.

## **Study design**

The rate of tumor positive SLN seven days after the experimental treatment.

Frequency and activation state of lymph node resident (LNR) conventional dendritic cells (DC) and melanoma antigen-specific T cell responses in the SLN at 7 days after the experimental treatment and peripheral blood before and 7, 21 and 13 weeks after the experimental treatment.

RFS at 5 and 10 years after SNB.

OS at 5 and 10 years after SNB.

## **Intervention**

In the treatment arm, patients will be intradermally injected with 8 mg IMO-2125, in 1 mL saline (0.9% sodium chloride) one week prior to sentinel node biopsy (SNB). In the placebo control arm, patients will be intradermally injected with 1 mL plain saline (0.9% sodium

chloride) only one week prior to SNB.

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## Eligibility criteria

### Inclusion criteria

1. Patients must be willing and able to sign the informed consent and comply with the study protocol.
2. Must be  $\geq 18$  years of age.
3. Histologically confirmed primary malignant melanoma cutis with a Breslow tumor depth  $> 2.0$  mm
4. WHO Performance Status  $\leq 1$ .
5. Women of childbearing potential and fertile men must agree to use effective contraceptive methods from screening until at least 90 days after the IMO-2125 administration.

### Exclusion criteria

1. Known hypersensitivity to any oligodeoxynucleotide.

2. Active autoimmune disease requiring disease-modifying therapy at the time of screening.
3. Pathologically confirmed loco-regional or distant metastasis.
4. Non-skin melanoma
5. Patients with another primary malignancy that has not been in remission for at least 3 years with the exception of non-melanoma skin cancer, curatively treated localized prostate cancer with non-detectable prostate-specific antigen, cervical carcinoma in situ on biopsy or a squamous intraepithelial lesion on Papanicolaou (Pap) smear, and thyroid cancer (except anaplastic).
6. Active systemic infections requiring antibiotics.
7. Women who are pregnant or breast-feeding.

## Study design

### Design

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|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Study type:         | Interventional                |
| Intervention model: | Parallel                      |
| Allocation:         | Randomized controlled trial   |
| Masking:            | Double blinded (masking used) |
| Control:            | Placebo                       |

### Recruitment

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| NL                        |             |
| Recruitment status:       | Pending     |
| Start date (anticipated): | 01-10-2018  |
| Enrollment:               | 214         |
| Type:                     | Anticipated |

## Ethics review

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| Not applicable    |                |
| Application type: | Not applicable |

## Study registrations

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

No registrations found.

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

No registrations found.

### In other registers

| Register | ID                  |
|----------|---------------------|
| NTR-new  | NL7156              |
| NTR-old  | NTR7355             |
| Other    | : VUMC-MEL-2125-001 |

## Study results