

# Double-blind, placebo-controlled, multiple ascending-dose study to investigate the safety and tolerability of AZ01 in healthy volunteers.

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Autoimmune disorders
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON36500

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

AZ01 (PEGYLATED INTERFERON BETA)

### Condition

- Autoimmune disorders

### Synonym

Multiple Sclerosis

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Allozyne, Inc.

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Pharmaceutische Industrie

## Intervention

**Keyword:** AZ01, Multiple Sclerosis, Pegylated interferon Beta

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Pharmacokinetics:

Plasma AZ01 concentrations, pharmacokinetic parameters.

Safety:

Adverse events, vital signs, ECG-parameters, laboratory parameters, physical examination, TSH and antibodies to AZ01.

Pharmacodynamics:

Plasma markers (neopterin), quantitative gene expression (MxA and OAS).

### Secondary outcome

N/A

## Study description

### Background summary

The drug to be given, AZ01, is a new, investigational compound that may eventually be used for the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis. Multiple Sclerosis is a disease of suspected autoimmune cause, in which the body's immune response attacks a person's central nervous system (brain and spinal cord), affecting the ability of nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord to communicate with each other.

Interferon-beta (IFN-beta) has been established as standard of care in the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis. IFN-beta is an endogenous compound involved in

inflammation processes. Though the currently available IFN-beta products provide significant benefit, its non-desirable effects (like flu-like illness, headache and fever) and the short activity requiring frequent injections (from 3 times weekly to weekly) may limit their utility. AZ01, a different form of INF-beta with an extended activity, was designed to address these issues.

## **Study objective**

Primary:

- assess safety and tolerability and determine the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) of repeated doses or a single dose of AZ01 given as a subcutaneous (SC) or intravenous (IV) dose in healthy subjects. Dosing will not exceed the maximum feasible dose, determined for this study to be 10 mg.

Secondary:

- evaluate the pharmacokinetic (PK) profile of AZ01 with repeated doses or a single dose;
- evaluate biomarkers of AZ01 activity with repeated doses or a single dose of AZ01.

## **Study design**

Design:

This is a single-center, double-blind, placebo-controlled study with 3 successive escalating cohorts, each containing 8 subjects each. Five additional cohorts were subsequently added to evaluate the safety, PK and PD of AZ01 that had been manufactured with improved purification processes. In Cohorts A through E, eight subjects will be randomly assigned at a 3:1 ratio (AZ01:placebo) to receive study drug at 14 day intervals for a total of 3 doses. Eight subjects in Cohort F will be randomly assigned at a 3:1 ratio (AZ01:placebo) to receive a three doses of study drug on Days 1, 19 and 43. Eight subjects in Cohort G will receive two doses of study drug on Days 1 and 15. Eight subjects in Cohort H will receive one intravenous dose of 0.5 mg study drug on Day 1. Eight subjects in Cohort I will receive one intravenous dose of maximum 3.0 mg study drug on Day 1.

Cohort G:

Procedures and assessments

Screening and follow-up:

Medical history, medication history, clinical laboratory, physical examination, ECG, vital signs (including blood pressure, pulse, oral temperature and respiratory rate), TSH and pregnancy test (females only); at eligibility screening: drug screen, anti-HBsAg, anti-HCV, anti-HIV 1/2, weight, height and BMI; to be repeated upon first admission: physical examination, weight, ECG, vital signs (including blood pressure, pulse, oral temperature and respiratory rate), clinical laboratory, alcohol and drug screen, medical history,

medication history, and pregnancy test (females only); to be repeated upon each admission: urine drug screen; at follow up: AEs.

#### Observation period:

In clinic from -17 h up to 72 h after drug administration on Day 1 followed by ambulatory visits on Days 6, 8 and 11, in clinic from -17 h up to 24 h after drug administration on Day 15 followed by ambulatory visits on Day 20, 22, 25, 29, 32, 36 and 40; follow-up on Day 43.

#### Blood sampling

##### Serum/plasma samples:

AZ01 concentration: pre-dose on Days 1 and 15; post-dose at 6 and 12 hours on Days 1 and 15; at 24 hours post-dose on Days 2, and 16; at 36 hours post-dose on Days 2 and 16; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 29, 32, 36, 40, and 43.

Antibodies to AZ01: pre-dose on Days 1 and 15; and on Day 43; subjects with measurable antibodies at Day 43 will be asked to be tested approximately every 3 months until either test is negative or 12 months after last dose.

Biomarker analysis: pre-dose on Days 1 and 15; post-dose at 12 hours on Days 1 and 15; at 24 hours post-dose on Days 2, and 16; at 36 hours post-dose on Days 2 and 16; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 29, 32, 36, 40, and 43.

##### Whole blood samples:

Biomarker analysis: pre-dose on Days 1 and 15; post-dose at 12 hours on Days 1 and 15; at 24 hours post-dose on Days 2, and 16; at 36 hours post-dose on Days 2 and 16; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 29, 32, 36, 40, and 43.

#### Safety assessments:

Medical and medication history: Complete review at Screening. Interim review at Check-in; pre-dose Days 1 and 15; Days 2 and 16 (at 24 h post-dose); and in addition once on Days 3, 4, 8, 17, 18, 22, 29, and 43.

Physical examination: Screening, Check-In, Day 15 (pre-dose) and Day 43 (follow-up).

12-lead ECG: Screening; Check-in; Day 15 (pre-dose); Days 3 and 17 (48 hours post-dose); Day 43 (follow-up).

Vital signs: Screening; Check-in; Days 1 and 15 (pre-dose; and 2, 6, and 12 hours post-dose); Days 2 and 16 (24 and 36 hours post-dose); Days 3, 4, 17, and 18 (prior to discharge); and Days 8, 22, 29, and 43 (follow-up).

Adverse events: Days 1 and 15 (pre-dose; and 2, 6, and 12 hours post-dose); Days 2 and 16 (24 and 36 hours post-dose); Days 3, 4, 17, and 18 (prior to discharge); and Days 8, 22, 29, and 43 (follow-up).

#### Bioanalysis:

- analysis of plasma AZ01 samples using a validated method by Sponsor
- analysis of antibodies to AZ01 samples using a validated method by Sponsor
- biomarker analysis using a validated method by Sponsor

#### Cohort H and I:

##### Procedures and assessments

##### Screening and follow-up:

Medical history, medication history, clinical laboratory, physical examination, ECG, vital signs (including blood pressure, pulse, oral temperature and respiratory rate), TSH and pregnancy test (females only); at eligibility screening: drug screen, anti-HBsAg, anti HCV, anti-HIV 1/2, weight, height and BMI; to be repeated upon first admission: physical examination, weight, ECG, vital signs (including blood pressure, pulse, oral temperature and respiratory rate), clinical laboratory, alcohol and drug screen, medical history, medication history, and pregnancy test (females only); to be repeated upon each admission: urine drug screen; at follow up: AEs.

##### Observation period:

In clinic from -17 h up to 72 h after drug administration on Day 1 followed by ambulatory visit on Days 6, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22 and follow-up on Day 29.

##### Blood sampling

##### Serum/plasma samples:

AZ01 concentration: pre-dose on Day 1; post-dose at 6 and 12 hours on Day 1; at 24 hours post-dose on Day 2 at 36 hours post-dose on Day 2; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, and 29.

Antibodies to AZ01: pre-dose on Day 1; Day 8; Day 15; Day 22; and on Day 29; subjects with measurable antibodies at Day 29 will be asked to be tested approximately every 3 months until either test is negative or 12 months after last dose.

Biomarker analysis: pre-dose on Day 1; post-dose at 12 hours on Day 1; at 24 hours post-dose on Day 2; at 36 hours post-dose on Day 2; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, and 29.

##### Whole blood samples:

Biomarker analysis: pre-dose on Day 1; post-dose at 12 hours on Day 1; at 24 hours post-dose on Day 2; at 36 hours post-dose on Day 2; and once on Days 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, and 29.

##### Safety assessments:

Medical and medication history: Complete review at Screening. Interim review at Check-in; pre-dose Day 1; Day 2 (at 24 h post-dose); and in addition once on Days 3, 4, 8, 15, 22, and 29.

Physical examination: Screening, Check-In, and Day 29 (follow-up).

12-lead ECG: Screening; Check-in; Day 3 (48 hours post-dose); Day 29 (follow-up).

Vital signs: Screening; Check-in; Day 1 (pre-dose; and 2, 6, and 12 hours post-dose); Day 2 (24 and 36 hours post-dose); Days 3 and 4, (prior to discharge); and Days 8, 15, 22, and 29 (follow-up).

Adverse events: Day 1 (pre-dose; and 2, 6, and 12 hours post-dose); Day 2 (24 and 36 hours post-dose); Days 3 and 4 (prior to discharge); and Days 8, 15, 22, and 29 (follow-up).

Bioanalysis:

- analysis of plasma AZ01 samples using a validated method by Sponsor
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- biomarker analysis using a validated method by Sponsor

## **Intervention**

Study Medication:

Active substance : AZ01

Activity : unknown

Indication : unknown

Strength : 1.5 mg/mL

Dosage form : SC injection

Treatments:

Cohort G: 7.5 mg dose of AZ01 manufactured with improved purification process administered as five SC injections of AZ01 or placebo on each dosing day (Days 1 and 15).

Cohort H: 0.5 mg dose of AZ01 manufactured with improved purification process administered as one IV dose on one dosing day (Day 1).

Cohort I: Maximum 3.0 mg dose of AZ01 manufactured with improved purification process administered as one IV dose on one dosing day (Day 1).

## **Study burden and risks**

Light bleeding and possibly an infection may occur.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Healthy men and women, 18 and 45 years of age, inclusive, BMI 18 and 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, max. 5 cigarettes smoking per day.

### Exclusion criteria

Suffering from: hepatitis B, cancer or HIV/AIDS. In case of participation in another drug study within 60 days before the start of this study or being a blood donor within 60 days from the start of the study. In case of donating more than 1.5 liters of blood (for men) / more than 1.0 liters of blood (for women) in the 10 months prior the start of this study.

## Study design

## Design

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

## Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Recruitment stopped
Start date (anticipated):	04-01-2010
Enrollment:	72
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	27-11-2009
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	07-12-2009
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	18-12-2009
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	21-12-2009
Application type:	Amendment



Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	22-06-2010
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	29-03-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	19-04-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
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Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	12-05-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
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Date:	24-10-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	23-11-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	24-11-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)
Approved WMO	
Date:	13-12-2011
Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek (Assen)

## 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

EudraCT

CCMO

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