# A Single dose, two-way crossover study of the bioequivalence of two formulations of Ribavirin

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capsules).

**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Recruitment stopped

**Health condition type** Hepatic and hepatobiliary disorders

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON36756

Source

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**Brief title** 

BE of Ribavirin

#### **Condition**

Hepatic and hepatobiliary disorders

#### **Synonym**

Hepatitis C

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Schering-Plough

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: farmaceutische industrie

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** Bioequivalence, Hepatitis C

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

**Pharmacokinetics** 

Safety

#### **Secondary outcome**

N/A

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The drug to be given, Ribavirin is registered for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV) as part of a combination therapy with two other medications (peginterferon alfa-2b or interferon alfa-2b) registered for the treatment of hepatitis C and part of the standard-of-care treatment. Hepatitis C is an infectious disease affecting the liver and is spread by blood-to-blood contact.

Ribavirin is approved as capsules containing 200 mg of ribavirin or as a solution for pediatric use containing 40 mg/mL ribavirin. In this study we want to confirm that both formulations are essentially the same in their effects, efficacy and safety.

#### Study objective

To assess the bioequivalence of two marketed formulations of ribavirin (ribavirin solution and capsules).

#### Study design

#### Design:

An open-label, randomized, two-way crossover bioequivalence study in fifty four healthy male and/or healthy female (postmenopausal/sterilized) subjects receiving a single oral dose of ribavirin as oral solution in one period and a single oral dose of ribavirin as capsules in the other period; a washout of at least five weeks between dosing

#### Screening and follow-up:

Clinical laboratory, vital signs (including oral temperature), physical examination, weight, 12-lead ECG; at eligibility screening: medical history, height, elbow breadth measurement, drug screen, E2 and FSH (PM females only), HBsAg, anti HCV, anti-HIV 1/2 and pregnancy test (surgically sterile females only); follow-up at discharge from clinic in Period 2; physical examination, drug screen, clinical laboratory and vital signs (including oral temperature) to be repeated upon admission Period 1; pregnancy test (surgically sterile females only).

#### Observation period:

2 periods, each period in clinic from -17 h up to 72 h after drug administration

#### Blood sampling:

Por pharmacokinetics of ribavirin in plasma: pre-dose and at 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 24, 36, 48, and 72 hours post dose Day 1.

for genotyping: pre-dose (first period only)

#### Safety assessments:

Adverse events: throughout the study; weight: pre-dose; vital signs (including oral temperature): pre-dose and once on Day 4;

#### Bioanalysis:

Analysis of plasma ribavirin samples using a validated method by Sponsor

#### Intervention

Active substance: ribavirin

#### Study burden and risks

Procedures: pain, light bleeding, heamatoma and possibly an infection.

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

#### Inclusion criteria

18-55 years, BMI 18-30 kg/m2 (inclusive) man or postmenopausal women

#### **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 preceding the start of this study.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Crossover

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 10-05-2011

Enrollment: 54

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Ribavirin

Generic name: Rebetol

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Application type: First submission

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 ID

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