# Prediction of response to kinase inhibitors based on protein phosphorylation profiles in tumor tissue from advanced renal cell cancer patients

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To determine the relation between tumor tissue phosphoproteomic profiles and progressionfree survival (PFS) in patients with advanced RCC

**Ethical review** Approved WMO **Status** Completed

Health condition type Renal and urinary tract neoplasms malignant and unspecified

**Study type** Observational invasive

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON37502

## Source

ToetsingOnline

## **Brief title**

Phosphoproteomics for prediction of response to treatment in kidney cancer

#### **Condition**

Renal and urinary tract neoplasms malignant and unspecified

#### **Synonym**

kidney cancer, Renal cell cancer

## Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Divisie I Beheer BV, VitrOmics Health

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Services BV (VHS)

Intervention

**Keyword:** kinase inhibitors, phosphoproteomics, renal cell cancer, response prediction

**Outcome measures** 

**Primary outcome** 

Pretreatment tumor tissue phosphoproteomic profile, radiological response to

standard treatment, PFS.

Phosphoproteomic profiles will be determined from the tumor biopsy and

correlated to radiological response and PFS. Phosphotyrosine signaling pathways

aberrantly activated in individual subgroups, identified by unsupervised

hierarchical clustering, will be examined in relation to the clinical effect of

the different kinase inhibitors. The classifier will be based on activity of

one or multiple signaling pathways and protein networks and will be subjected

to an internal validation such as the ten-fold cross validation technique to

estimate its generalization performance.

Primary endpoint: Prediction accuracy of the phosphoproteomic classifier

**Secondary outcome** 

-To determine the relation between pre-treatment PamChip kinase activity

profiling and PFS

-To determine whether genome-wide mutational profiles by Massively Parallel

Sequencing (MPS) can be related to PFS

-To determine whether both pre- and on-treatment serum proteomic profiles are

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related to PFS

- -To determine the value of the frequency and phenotype of immunoregulatory cells in blood and tumor tissue for treatment response prediction.
- -To determine the relation between genetic polymorphisms and pharmacokinetic parameters (systemic and intratumoral drug concentrations) and PFS.
- -To determine the value of tumor exosomes from urine and serum as potential source of biomarkers.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

The rapid development of agents blocking kinases has established the use of molecularly targeted therapy as the preferred treatment approach for patients with metastatic renal cell cancer (RCC). Five kinase inhibitors (sunitinib, everolimus, temsirolimus, sorafenib and pazopanib) are now approved for clinical use. Response rates differ among these agents, importantly depending on line of treatment. In first-line treatment sunitinib results in 47% objective response rates, where in second-line after cytokines 34% responds. Thus far, it is unclear which patient with advanced renal cell cancer will respond to targeted therapy. In order to select patients for targeted therapies, several profiling approaches have been explored but to date no adequate and reliable test is available. It is assumed that responses to targeted agents depend on specific receptor and protein signalling activities in tumor tissues. Therefore, we propose that protein phosphorylation profiling with phosphoproteomics may be a potential clinical diagnostic tool to predict for tumor response to targeted therapy. This approach is expected to increase efficacy, reduce costs and prevent toxicities from (ineffective) targeted agents.

## Study objective

To determine the relation between tumor tissue phosphoproteomic profiles and progression-free survival (PFS) in patients with advanced RCC

## Study design

Multicentered, observational study with non-therapeutic intervention prior to

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standard treatment. The study consists of a training-phase and independent validation-phase. This protocol only covers the training phase, where a predictive classifier will be build. A feasibility analysis will be performed when 20 patients are included.

## Study burden and risks

In this study, a fresh tumor biopsy from a metastasis or a primary tumor will be taken. In all subjects subsequent standard treatment will be initiated according to current clinical guidelines. In addition to this biopsy, collection of urine and blood is performed upon inclusion and the same procedure is optional on 2 other time points during treatment.

The tumor biopsy may cause physical discomfort and adverse events. Follow-up may include additional blood drawings before and during treatment which will be combined with laboratory analysis needed for routine outpatient clinic visits. Results of this study will be used for personalized treatment selection strategies that may increase response rates to standard therapy and prevent toxicity of ineffective therapy in renal cell carcinoma patients.

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

## Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

- Patients with advanced (unresectable and/or metastatic) renal cell cancer;
- Patients who will start treatment with sunitinib, pazopanib, sorafenib, axitinib or everolimus;
- At least one tumor lesion should be accessible for biopsy. Bone metastases are excluded as possible biopsy site;
- Age >- 18 years;
- Patients must have at least one measurable lesion. Lesions must be evaluated by CT-scan or MRI according to Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors (RECIST);
- WHO performance status 0 2;
- Able to provide written informed consent;

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Clinical findings associated with an unacceptably high tumor biopsy risk, according to the judgement of the investigator;
- Radiotherapy on target lesions during study or within 4 weeks of the start of study drug;
- Any condition that is unstable or could jeopardize the safety of the subject and their compliance in the study;

# Study design

## Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Diagnostic

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Completed

Start date (anticipated): 02-11-2012

Enrollment: 225

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Afinitor

Generic name: everolimus

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Inlyta

Generic name: axitinib

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Nexavar

Generic name: sorafenib

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Sutent

Generic name: sunitinib

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Votrient

Generic name: pazopanib

Registration: Yes - NL intended use

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 09-05-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 04-06-2012

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

# **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

EudraCT EUCTR2011-006009-85-NL

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