A multi-institutional open label, trial evaluating the efficacy of Gemcitabine and Docetaxel in patients with relapsed or refractory metastatic colorectal adenocarcinoma with methylated CHFR and/or microsatellite instability (MSI) phenotype.

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Determine the efficacy of combination gemcitabine and docetaxel chemotherapy in the treatment of metastatic colorectal cancer with CHFR and/or MSI phenotype

Ethical review Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC

Study type Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON44946

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

# **Brief title**

GemDoc

## **Condition**

Malignant and unspecified neoplasms gastrointestinal NEC

#### **Synonym**

metastatic colorectal cancer

## Research involving

Human

# **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Ministerie van OC&W,VU medisch centrum

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### Intervention

Keyword: CHFR, Docetaxel, Gemcitabine, metastatic colorectal carcinoma

#### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

**Primary Objectives** 

Determine the response rate of gemcitabine and docetaxel combination therapy for treatment of relapsed or refractory metastatic colorectal adenocarcinoma with methylation of CHFR and/or microsatellite instability

### **Secondary outcome**

Secondary Objectives

Determine the progression free survival with gemcitabine and docetaxel combination therapy in the selected patient population

Determine the overall survival with gemcitabine and docetaxel combination

therapy in the selected patient population

Assess CHFR methylation in circulating tumor DNA and compare to CHFR

methylation observed in tumor tissue

Assess changes in CHFR methylation in circulating tumor DNA over the time of

therapy to determine if CHFR demethylation occurs as a predictor of progression

Analyze tumor tissue using a global methylation approach to develop a more
robust predictive signature of treatment response

Evaluate changes in quality of life for nations treated with this regimen by

Evaluate changes in quality of life for patients treated with this regimen by serial measurements using the QLQ-C30 and QLQ-CR29 questionnaire.

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

- \*CHFR is a checkpoint protein which causes cell cycle arrest and associated chemotherapy resistance when exposed to microtubule inhibitors
- \*Epigenetic silencing of CHFR expression via CpG promoter methylation has been shown to increase sensitivity to microtubule inhibitors
- \*Microsatellite instability (MSI-H) colorectal cancer is associated with sensitivity to gemcitabine
- \*Methylation of CHFR and/or microsatellite instability is/are present in approximately 25-40% of all colorectal adenocarcinoma tumors, with significant overlap of CHFR methylation with MSI-H
- \*Gemcitabine and docetaxel have been safely combined in the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer and breast cancer
- \*Gemcitabine and docetaxel combination therapy has demonstrated significant preclinical activity in colorectal cancer cell lines with CHFR and/or MSI phenotype

### Study objective

Determine the efficacy of combination gemcitabine and docetaxel chemotherapy in the treatment of metastatic colorectal cancer with CHFR and/or MSI phenotype

## Study design

Patients metastatic colorectal carcinoma who are either intolerant or refractory to one or more standard lines of chemotherapy will be asked to participate. After informed consent archival tumor tissue will be tested for MSI and CHFR promoter methylation. If tested positive for one of these tumor characteristics, and all othere eligibility criteria are met, study treatment will be commenced.

Patients will receive intravenous gemcitabine 500mg/m2 on days 1 and 8 and

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docetaxel 70mg/m2 on day 8 of each 21 day cycle
Patients will receive filgrastim (G-CSF) on days 9 through 15 or pegfilgrastim
6mg on day 9 or 10 of each cycle
Patients will be evaluated for toxicity prior to receiving each cycle and every
6 weeks for response using RECIST criteria 1.0
A minimum of 10 and a maximum of 40 patients will be enrolled

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## Study burden and risks

The study treatment is an approved chemotherapeutic regime for other types of cancer and deemed safe.

Side effects of systemic therapy can occur and patients can experience side effects or complications of the blood sampling . The risks of participating in the study are limited, and if successful, study treatment may benefit the subject as well. The information that we learn from this study has the potential to improve therapy for patients with refractory colorectal cancer, and may benefit individuals who are diagnosed with this disease in the future.

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# **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

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

## Inclusion criteria

histologically or cytologically confirmed metastastic or unresectable colorectal adenocarcioma measurable disease intolerant or refractory to one or more standard lines of chemotherapy age>18 ECOG 0-1

life expectancy of greater than 12 weeks normal organ and marrow function MSI phenotype of archival tissue biopsy determined by PCR and IHC CHFR gene promoter methylation in archival tissue biopsy ability to understand and willingness to sign a written informed consent document

## **Exclusion criteria**

chemotherapy or radiotherapy within 4 weeks prior to entering study, or not being recovered from adverse events.

receiving any other investigational agents

known brain metastases

history of allergic reactions attributed to empounds of similar chemical or biological composition to gemcitabine or docetaxel.

receiving any medications or substances that are inhibitors or inducers of CYP3A4 uncontrolled intercurrent illness

pregnant women

HIV positive patients

# Study design

# **Design**

Study phase: 2

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 26-05-2015

Enrollment: 40

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Docetaxel for Injection

Generic name: Docetaxel

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Gemcitabine for injection

Generic name: Gemcitabine

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 20-02-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 21-05-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 12-09-2014

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 16-11-2015

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 19-07-2016

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Amsterdam UMC

Approved WMO

Date: 01-08-2016

Application type: Amendment

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 EUCTR2013-005086-40-NL

ClinicalTrials.gov NCT01639131 CCMO NL47205.029.14