

# Correlation between endogenous DPD substrate concentrations and the pharmacokinetics and toxicity of 5-fluorouracil in patients with colorectal or pancreas cancer

Published: 16-04-2019

Last updated: 12-04-2024

Primary objective: To determine the correlation between the baseline endogenous DPD substrate plasma ratios of DHU/U and DHT/T with the pharmacokinetics of 5-FU in patients with pancreas or colorectal cancer treated with intravenous 5-FU-based...

<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Gastrointestinal neoplasms malignant and unspecified
<b>Study type</b>	Observational invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON48600

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

FUUT

### Condition

- Gastrointestinal neoplasms malignant and unspecified

### Synonym

Colon cancer, colorectalcarcinoma; pancreas cancer, pancreas carcinoma

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Catharina-ziekenhuis

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Catharina ziekenhuis en potentieel catharina onderzoeksfonds

## Intervention

**Keyword:** 5-Fluorouracil, dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase, thymine, uracil

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

The primary endpoint of the study are the plasma concentrations of 5-FU, DHFU and endogenous biomarkers U, DHU, T and DHT at all time points by using LC-MS/MS.

### Secondary outcome

- Ratios of DHU/U, DHT/T and DHFU/FU will be calculated by using the plasma concentration
- Determine DPYD genotype for each patient. If applicable, additional SNP analysis within the DPYD gene will be conducted at study end
- DPD enzym activity
- Severe adverse events following 5-FU infusion, including:
  - \* Toxicity-related hospitalization
  - \* Change in dose intensity: prolonged interval or dose reduction
  - \* Myelosuppression (leukocytes, neutrophils and thrombocytes) grade \*3 according to CTC-AE criteria
  - \* Other toxicities including grade \*3 mucositis and diarrhoea according to the CTC-AE criteria

# Study description

## Background summary

The anticancer drug 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) is widely used in the treatment of amongst others early and advanced colorectal, gastric, pancreas and breast cancer. 5-FU is mainly metabolized by the enzyme dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPD), an enzyme encoded by the DPYD gene. Genetic polymorphism in this gene may lead to DPD deficiency and thereby an increased risk of drug-induced severe toxicity. In the Caucasian population, 3 to 5% has a partial DPD-deficiency and 0.1 to 0.2% has a complete deficiency.(1,2) DPD deficiency can lead to severe toxicity (grade 3 to 5, according to CTC-AE version 4.03), such as myelosuppression, mucositis, diarrhoea and hand-foot syndrome. Measuring the DPYD genotype prior 5-FU-based chemotherapy has shown to be able to prevent drug-induced severe toxicity of 5-FU. The clinical utility has thus far been demonstrated for four polymorphisms, i.e. DPYD\*2A; \*13; 2846A>T; 1236G>A, which are therefore routinely determined prior to start of chemotherapy. Despite the use of genotyping, a significant proportion of patients still develop 5-FU-related severe toxicity. Since both endogenous uracil (U) and thymine (T) are being converted by DPD into dihydrouracil (DHU) and dihydrothymine (DHT), respectively, patients with a low DHU/U and/or a low DHT/T plasma ratio before start of 5-FU based therapy have higher risk of 5-FU induced severe toxicity. It is not known what the correlation of the DHU/U and/or DHT/T plasma ratios is compared to the actual DPD enzyme activity within the white blood cells. The DPD enzyme activity will not only be compared to the plasma ratios DHU/U and/or DHT/T but also to pharmacokinetics of 5-FU. As the DPD enzyme activity test is a more time consuming, labour intense, complex and expensive test to perform, the use of endogenous biomarkers such as uracil and thymine might favour over the DPD enzyme activity test. In this study we will investigate the correlation between the endogenous DPD substrates uracil and thymine as well as the DPD enzyme activity with the pharmacokinetics and toxicity of 5-FU in patients with colorectal or pancreas cancer treated with prolonged infusions of 5-FU. The ultimate goal is to develop an easy to measure additional predictive marker besides DPYD genotype in order to prevent 5-FU induced severe toxicity.

## Study objective

Primary objective:

To determine the correlation between the baseline endogenous DPD substrate plasma ratios of DHU/U and DHT/T with the pharmacokinetics of 5-FU in patients with pancreas or colorectal cancer treated with intravenous 5-FU-based chemotherapy.

Secondary objectives:

- To determine the potential changes in U, DHU, T and DHT concentrations over time during the prolonged 5-FU infusion
- To determine the DHU/U, DHT/T and DHFU/FU ratios over time during 5-FU prolonged infusion
- To establish a cut-off concentration in a daily Dutch patient population for all measured analytes, their metabolites and ratios, including 5-FU, DHFU, U, DHU, T and DHT
- To determine the effect of DPYD genotype on the U, DHU, T and DHT concentrations and on the pharmacokinetics of 5-FU
- To determine the correlation between serious adverse events or 5-FU toxicity to AUC of 5-FU, DHU/U or DHT/T ratio or DPD enzyme activity
- To determine the effect of other genetic polymorphisms on the pharmacokinetics of 5-FU (if applicable)
- To determine the correlation between the DPD enzyme activity and the DHU/U, DHT/T or DHFU/FU plasma ratios, and 5-FU pharmacokinetics.

## Study design

Prospective, non-randomized, pharmacokinetic study

## Study burden and risks

To determine the DPD enzyme activity a sample of 12mL whole blood (2x 6mL EDTA) is obtained after connecting the port-a-cath. Since connecting the port-a-cath is needed to administer the chemotherapy there is no need for a puncture. At t=0, prior starting the 5-FU infusion, 4mL of whole blood (EDTA tube) is obtained by using a venflon. This sample is used to determine the concentrations of uracil, DHU, T and DHT.

During treatment the samples at t=0.5 and 2 hours are retracted by the same venflon so there is no need for another puncture. The sample at t=44 hours is taken by the port-a-cath, this way another puncture is not needed. At each time point during treatment 8mL of whole blood (2x 4mL EDTA) will be retracted to determine the concentrations of uracil, DHU, T, DHT, 5-FU and DHFU.

The risk of drawing blood from a vein include discomfort at the site of puncture and possible redness and swelling around the puncture site. Since the prolonged 5-FU infusion is routinely administered within the hospital the intervention does not require additional or prolonged hospital visits.

## Contacts

### Public

Catharina-ziekenhuis

Michelangelolaan 2

Eindhoven 5623 EJ  
NL  
**Scientific**  
Catharina-ziekenhuis

Michelangelolaan 2  
Eindhoven 5623 EJ  
NL

## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

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

### Inclusion criteria

- 1) Pathologically confirmed malignancy for which treatment with 5-FU is indicated in the FOLFOX, FOLFIRI or FOLFIRINOX regimen.
- 2) Minimal acceptable safety laboratory values defined as
  - a. ANC of  $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9 /L$
  - b. Platelet count of  $\geq 100 \times 10^9 /L$
  - c. Hepatic function as defined by serum bilirubin  $\leq 1.5 \times ULN$ , ALAT and ASAT  $\leq 2.5 \times ULN$ ; in case of liver metastases ALAT and ASAT  $\leq 5 \times ULN$ .
  - d. renal function as defined by MDRD  $>30$  ml/min

### Exclusion criteria

1. Patients with known substance abuse, psychotic disorders, and/or other diseases expected to interfere with study or the patient's safety
2. Women who are pregnant or breast feeding
3. Patients in whom the bolus injection will be skipped due to e.g. toxicity of previous chemo therapy regimen.

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Prevention

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 14-07-2019

Enrollment: 50

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 16-04-2019

Application type: First submission

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United (Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 19-06-2019

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United (Nieuwegein)

Approved WMO

Date: 13-11-2019

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: MEC-U: Medical Research Ethics Committees United (Nieuwegein)

## 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
CCMO	NL67140.100.18