A phase II, open-label, non-controlled, intra-patient dose-escalation study to characterize the pharmacokinetics after oral administration of eltrombopag in pediatric patients with refractory, relapsed or treatment naïve severe aplastic anemia or recurrent aplastic anemia (CETB115E2201)

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Ethical review Approved WMO **Status** Will not start

Health condition type Anaemias nonhaemolytic and marrow depression

Study type Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON50357

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title ETB115E2201

Condition

Anaemias nonhaemolytic and marrow depression

Synonym

severe aplastic anemia

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Novartis

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Novartis

Intervention

Keyword: aplastic anemia, children, cyclosporine, eltrombopag, hATG

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Eltrombopag PK parameters at week 2 and 12 (incl. highest dose level at steady-state).

Secondary outcome

(key only, see protocol page 40-41 for all objectives) Adverse events.

Proportion of patients with an overall response at week 12, 26, 52, 78 and proportion of patients with a platelet response.

Study description

Background summary

Immunosuppressive treatment (IST) is the standard of care for the treatment of aplastic anemia patients who are not candidate for HSCT with an HLA identical donor. Related to SKION children are treated with a combination of cyclosporine A and hATG (horse ATG). This treatment was chosen because of results of the NCI (Scheinberg et.al. Horse versus rabbit antithymocyte globulin in acquired aplastic anemia, NEJM, 365:430*438) showing that horse ATG has better remision percentages compared to rabbit ATG.

There are several limitations of IST in severe aplastic anemia (SAA), e.g. the majority of the responses observed following initial IST are partial with only

a few patients achieving normal blood counts, 1/3 of patients are refractory to initial IST, hematologic relapses occur in 35% of responders following initial response to IST, among relapsed patients chronic use of cyclosporine A is not infrequent which often leads to toxicities and clonal evolution is still observed in 10-15% of patients.

In order to address these limitations, efforts to improve initial IST in treatment-naïve patients with the addition of mycophenolate mofetil and sirolimus to standard horse anti-thymocyte globulin (hATG) /cyclosporine or use of lymphocytotoxic agents have not yielded the expected better outcomes when compared to standard (h-ATG/cyclosporine).

The most important advance in SAA in the recent years has been the seminal observation that a thrombopoietin receptor agonist, eltrombopag, has activity in SAA, as recenty published: Townsley et.al. Eltrombopag added to standard immunosuppression for aplastic anemia, NEJM, 376;16, april 20 2017. Eltrombopag is registered for adults with SAA. In this study the same will be done in children.

Previous research focusing on safety and dosing of eltrombopag was done in children with ITP. Eltrombopag is registered for this indication for children older than 1 year.

The lack of availability of anti-thymocyte globulin (hATG) in several countries has left a large proportion of patients with SAA with limited treatment options and poor outcome. In this context, the combination of cyclosporine and eltrombopag, 2 therapies with different modes of action, is an attractive therapeutic option to address this unmet medical need, with the possible addition of hATG. In the Netherlands hATG is available and part of the standard of care.

The main objective of this study is to assess the safety and efficacy of eltrombopag and cyclosporine and in the Netherlands with the addition of hATG for the treatment-naïve SAA patients and subject with relapsed or recurrent disease.

Study objective

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Secondary (key only, see protocol page 40-41 for all objectives): Safety and tolerability. Efficacy (overall response rate ORR).

Study design

* A.

Phase II, open-label, non-controlled, intra-patient dose-escalation study. Eltrombopag plus cyclosporine plus or minus hATG. Escalation part (eltrombopag) 10 weeks, maintenance up to 6 months. Evaluation of efficacy at 6 months. Responders may remain on eltrombopag plus cyclosporine up to at least month 54. 3 cohorts (approx. 20 subjects each):

- 1. For subjects who have been pretreated for SAA. Eltrombopag plus cyclosporine plus ATG. ATG only during first 4 days. I.V., duration 4 to 8 hours, max. up to 24 hours. On day 1 of the treatment period treatment with eltrombopag and cyclosporine will be initiated as well. Eltrombopag as tablets or soluble powder. Cyclosporine in capsules or in a drinkable liquid.
- 2. For subjects who have been pretreated for SAA. Eltrombopag plus cyclosporine. For the rest cohort A1 will be treated in the same way as cohort A1. Investigator chooses allocation of the subject to Cohort A1 or A2.
- * B. For treatment-naive subjects with SAA. Eltrombopag plus cyclosporine plus ATG. Cohort B will be treated in the same way as cohort A1.

Non-responders will stop study medication at week 26 and will enter the follow-up period, followed by the long-term follow-up period (4 years in total).

Approx. 60 subjects.

Intervention

Treatment with eltrombopag, cyclosporine and possibly hATG.

Study burden and risks

Risk: Adverse effects of eltrombopag in combination with cyclosporine \pm hATG. Burden: Screening 4 weeks, treatment with eltrombopag and cyclosporine (as long as subjects benefits from treatment) \pm hATG (for first 4 days). Total study duration approx. 4,5 years.

35 visits in 4,5 years. Duration mostly 4 hours.

Physical examination: 34 times.

Blood tests: safety every visit (5-10 ml/occasion); biomarkers approx. 9 times (2,0 ml/occasion); PK approx. 30 ml in total); cyclosporine levels 14 times (5 ml/occasion).

Pregnancy test urine (if relevant): 29 times.

Bone marrow sample: 9 times.

ECG: cycle 4 times.

Questionnaire: 10 times.

Optional storage and use of the remaining blood and tissue for future research.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adolescents (12-15 years) Adolescents (16-17 years) Children (2-11 years)

Inclusion criteria

- * Cohort-specific criteria: see protocol page 46.
- * Male and female 1 up to 18 years.
- * Aplastic anemia.
- * Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation not suitable or available as a treatment option or has been refused by the subject.
- * Bone marrow aspirate and biopsy at any time during the 4 weeks prior to first dose of eltrombopag.
- * Normal karyotype with FISH for chromosomes 7 and 8.
- * Performance status score: Karnofsky *50 for patients 16 years of age and older or Lansky *50 for patients below 16 years of age.

Exclusion criteria

- * Prior and/or active history of several diseases, see protocol page 47 for details.
- * Active infection not responding to appropriate therapy.
- * Prior eltrombopag or other thrombopoietin receptor (TPO-R) agonist treatment for at least 2 months and a lack of response.
- * Impaired cardiac function. See protocol page 48 for details.
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- * Pregnant or nursing (lactating) women.
- * Females of childbearing potential and males not using adequate contraception. See protocol page 48 for more details.

Study design

Design

Study phase: 2

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Will not start

Enrollment: 2

Type: Anticipated

Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: ATGAM

Generic name: Horse ATG

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Cyclosporine A

Generic name: Cyclosporine

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Revolade

Generic name: Eltrombopag

Registration: Yes - NL outside intended use

Ethics review

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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

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