

A phase I/II post-cord blood HCT dendritic cell vaccination trial directed against WT1 for pediatric and young adult acute myeloid leukemia: the U-DANCE-anti-AML-trial

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Pending
Health condition type	Leukaemias
Study type	Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON55718

Source

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Brief title

U-DANCE-anti-AML

Condition

- Leukaemias

Synonym

AML: Acute Myeloid Leukemia/ cancer of blood and bone marrow

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Prinses Máxima Centrum voor Kinderoncologie

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: NWO (ZonMW), KiKa

Intervention

Keyword: Acute myeloid leukemia, cord blood stem cell transplantation, dendritic cell vaccination, pediatric, relapsed/refractory

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

The primary endpoints:

Part A: Safety: Occurrence of DLTs from the first vaccination (t=0) until 84 days after the third CBDC vaccination

Part B: Activity: One-year WT1+ AML relapse-free survival rate from the time of the first vaccination as compared to historical controls.

Secondary outcome

Secondary endpoints (part A):

- Treatment emergent adverse events (TEAEs), those with initial onset or increasing in severity after the first vaccination.
- One-year cumulative incidence of WT1-specific immunity after the first vaccination.
- One-year overall survival rate, from the time of first vaccination
- One-year WT1+ AML relapse-free survival rate, from the time of first vaccination.

Secondary endpoints (part B):

TEAEs, those with initial onset or increasing in severity after the first vaccination.

- One-year cumulative incidence of WT1-specific immunity after the first vaccination.

- One-year overall survival rate from the time of first vaccination.

Exploratory endpoints (part B):

- Changes in general immune parameters between those samples taken before and those taken after the first vaccination until one year of follow-up.

- Expression of inhibitory (immune checkpoint) molecules on the AML in the case of relapse occurring after the first vaccination until one year of follow-up

- WT1 T cell responses in the bone marrow

- Early cost effectiveness analysis

Study description

Background summary

Development of novel (immune) therapies aimed at reducing relapse rates (currently 50%) is of utmost importance to improve survival chances in pediatric acute myeloid leukemia (AML) patients receiving stem cell transplantation, in this case cord blood transplantation (CBT).

We hypothesize that tumor antigen-loaded cord blood-derived dendritic cell (CBDC) vaccination combined with the intrinsic anti-leukemic and proliferative capacity of the grafted CB T cells will result in fast proliferation and differentiation of tumor-specific CD8⁺ cytotoxic T lymphocytes (CTLs).

Wilms Tumor 1 (WT1) is an oncoprotein overexpressed in the majority of AMLs. As such, the CBDC vaccine will be loaded with tumor antigen using WT1 15-mer-peptide pool-pulsing. This loading strategy used 2 antigen processing pathways ensuring maximum MHC class I and II presentation without any HLA restriction. This enables induction of both WT1-specific CD8 and CD4 responses, which is required for the induction of immunological memory and optimal anti-tumor immunity.

Study objective

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Although DC vaccinations have been used in allo-HCT settings, no previous studies have been performed using a CBDC vaccine after CBT. This study will therefore be subdivided into 2 parts:

- Part A: to determine a safe dose of the vaccination, and
- Part B: to study its activity measured as the one-year relapse-free survival rate, based on an expansion cohort.

Part A primary objective:

- To assess the safe dose for CBDC vaccination after CBT defined using the occurrence of dose limiting toxicities (DLTs).

The DLT evaluation period lasts from the first vaccination, until 84 days after the third CBDC vaccination.

Part A secondary objectives:

- To assess the safety and tolerability of the vaccination strategy
- To assess the induction/increase of WT1-specific immunity in vaccinated individuals during one year of follow-up from the first vaccination
- To assess overall survival at one year after the first vaccination
- To assess WT1+ AML relapse-free survival at one year after the first vaccination

Part B primary objective:

- To demonstrate an increase in the WT1+ AML relapse-free survival rate using a WT1-loaded CBDC vaccine, at one year after the first vaccination (using a historic cohort not receiving a CBDC vaccination as reference data for the Simon-2-stage design).

Part B: secondary objectives:

- To assess the safety and tolerability of the vaccination strategy
- To assess the induction/increase of WT1-specific immunity in vaccinated individuals during one year of follow-up from the first vaccination
- To assess overall survival at one year after the first vaccination

Part B: exploratory objectives:

- To assess general (non-WT1 specific) immune activation in each vaccinated individual during one year of follow-up from the first vaccination compared to the immune parameters before vaccination.
- To assess the expression of inhibitory (immune checkpoint) molecules on AML in the case of relapse during one year of follow-up from the first vaccination
- WT1 specific T cell responses in bone marrow within the first year post vaccination
- Early cost-effectiveness of DC vaccination using quality of life data, utility data and hospital costs. Compare with historic 2015-2023 cohort data of transplanted AML pts

Study design

This is a single-arm open-label phase I/II intervention study in pediatric AML patients using an advanced therapeutic medicinal product (ATMP): cord blood-derived dendritic cell (CBDC) vaccine. Data from our historic cohort of pediatric patients with a WT1+ AML and receiving CBT will be used as control group for the primary objective in part B.

Intervention

CBDC-vaccination (day 0, day 14 and day 28):

Patients will receive three WT1 15-mer-peptide pool loaded CBDC-vaccinations starting at 8 weeks post-CBT every 2 weeks (hence week 8, 10 and 12). The CBDC vaccine will be split into two equal doses that will be administered intradermally and intravenously.

Study burden and risks

Potential burden:

*The intradermal injections may be experienced as painful (for this we will apply local anesthetics using *lidocaine-tetracaine* (Rapidan-plasters).

* Repeated intradermal injection may lead to local skin reaction characterized by erythema.

* Combined intradermal and intravenous vaccinations have been reported to cause signs of mild fatigue, fever, chills, anorexia

and muscular pain starting as soon as time of vaccination but never lasting beyond two days after vaccination and always within grade 1-2

Since these vaccination related symptoms are generally mild, do not require medical interventions and are short lived their occurrence will not be considered as DLTs.

Additional risk of the CBDC vaccination: theoretically rejection of donor graft may be 'triggered'. From historical data we have learned that at 8 weeks after

transplantation (date of first vaccination) donor chimerism in T and non-T cells is 100% in all patients (n=15). This suggests that this 'theoretical' risk is very low. Nevertheless we will monitor for this.

Potential Benefits:

- Higher probability on continuous complete remission of AML
- * Prolonged survival (Long-term stabilization of disease levels)

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adolescents (12-15 years)
Adolescents (16-17 years)
Adults (18-64 years)
Children (2-11 years)
Babies and toddlers (28 days-23 months)
Newborns

Inclusion criteria

- AML patients eligible for allo-HCT according to standard-of-care guidelines, with overexpression of WT1 mRNA in an AML sample (>50 copies WT1/ 10^4 copies ABL for PB, and >250 copies WT1/ 10^4 copies ABL for BM) taken at diagnosis and/or relapse (re-)induction chemotherapy.
- indication for CB-HCT according to the Prinses Maxima Centrum / UMC Utrecht guidelines
- CB selection criteria: the 80% fraction of the unit should contain a minimum total nucleated cell number of 3×10^7 NC/Kg criteria for any match grade (before cryo-preservation). Preferable CD34+/Kg dose: $>1 \times 10^5$ in the 80% fraction
- The whole CB unit should contain more than 7.5×10^6 total CD34+ before freeze
- Karnofsky/Lansky score ≥ 70
- Age limits for part A (safety run) only: ≥ 12 - ≤ 30 years of age (first three patients >16 years of age), part B 0- ≤ 30 years of age

Exclusion criteria

- Patients who are pregnant or breast-feeding or unwilling to use adequate contraceptive methods
- Known allergies to compound used in the CBDC production process or the local anesthetic lidocaine-tetracain (Rapydan®) and EMLA® (lidocaine/ prilocaine) plasters
- Patients included in other intervention studies influencing the endpoints of this study

Study design

Design

Study phase:	2
Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Treatment

Recruitment

NL	
Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	01-12-2023
Enrollment:	54
Type:	Anticipated

Medical products/devices used

Registration:	No
Product type:	Medicine
Generic name:	Somatic cells allogenic
Product type:	Medicine
Brand name:	CBDC vaccine

Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	26-03-2018
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	CCMO: Centrale Commissie Mensgebonden Onderzoek (Den Haag)
Approved WMO	
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Application type:	First submission
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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

Register	ID
EU-CTR	CTIS2024-517922-24-00
EudraCT	EUCTR2018-000698-54-NL
Other	https://www.onderzoekmetmensen.nl/nl/trial/55718
CCMO	NL65115.000.18