

# The risk of acute liver injury with the use of antibiotics. A replication study in the Utrecht Patient Oriented Database

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### EU PAS number

EUPAS7730

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### Study ID

9017

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### DARWIN EU® study

No

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### Study countries

☐ Netherlands

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## Study description

The study described in this protocol is performed within the framework of PROTECT (Pharmacoepidemiological Research on Outcomes of Therapeutics by a European ConsorTium). The specific aims of this study are: • to evaluate the external validity of the study protocol on the risk of acute liver injury associated with the use of antibiotics by replicating the study protocol in a Dutch hospital database, • to study the impact of case validation on the effect estimate for the association between antibiotic exposure and acute liver injury. Of the selected drug-adverse event pairs selected in PROTECT, this study will concentrate on the association between antibiotic use and acute liver injury. On this topic, two sub-studies are performed: a descriptive/outcome validation study and an association study. The descriptive/outcome validation study has been conducted within the Utrecht Patient Oriented Database (UPOD). Cases of acute liver injury have been identified using hospital discharge diagnoses and/or abnormal laboratory test results related to liver injury. The proposed association study will be performed using UPOD and GP databases.

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## Study status

Finalised

## Research institutions and networks

### Institutions

Division of Pharmacoepidemiology & Clinical Pharmacology (PECP), Utrecht Institute for Pharmaceutical Sciences (UIPS), Utrecht University

☐ Netherlands

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**Institution**

**Educational Institution**

**ENCePP partner**

## Networks

### PROTECT

- ☐ Belgium
- ☐ Denmark
- ☐ France
- ☐ Germany
- ☐ Italy
- ☐ Netherlands
- ☐ Poland
- ☐ Spain
- ☐ Sweden
- ☐ Switzerland
- ☐ United Kingdom

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**Network**

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 01/01/2012

Actual: 01/01/2012

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### Study start date

Planned: 02/04/2012

Actual: 02/04/2012

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### Data analysis start date

Planned: 01/07/2013

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### Date of interim report, if expected

Planned: 02/12/2013

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### Date of final study report

Planned: 30/06/2014

Actual: 30/06/2014

## Sources of funding

- EU institutional research programme

## More details on funding

IMI-PROTECT

## Study protocol

[WP6\\_SAP\\_UPOD2 PROTECT\\_AB-ALI\\_11-7-2013.pdf](#)(737.99 KB)

## Regulatory

**Was the study required by a regulatory body?**

No

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**Is the study required by a Risk Management Plan (RMP)?**

Not applicable

## Methodological aspects

### Study type

### Study type list

**Study topic:**

Disease /health condition

Human medicinal product

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**Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Assessment of risk minimisation measure implementation or effectiveness

Other

**If 'other', further details on the scope of the study**

Replication study to evaluate external validity

**Data collection methods:**

Secondary use of data

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**Main study objective:**

To evaluate the external validity of the study protocol on the risk of acute liver injury associated with the use of antibiotics by replicating the study protocol in a Dutch hospital database.

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Case-control

## Study drug and medical condition

**Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) code**

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## Medical condition to be studied

Liver injury

## Population studied

### Short description of the study population

Patients aged 18 years or older hospitalized or referred to the University Medical Centre Utrecht (UMCU) between January 2008 and December 2010.

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### Age groups

Adults (18 to < 46 years)

Adults (46 to < 65 years)

Adults (65 to < 75 years)

Adults (75 to < 85 years)

Adults (85 years and over)

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### Special population of interest

Hepatic impaired

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### Estimated number of subjects

700

## Study design details

### Outcomes

To estimate the risk of acute liver injury associated with antibiotics exposure.

To assess the impact of varying outcome definitions and time windows at risk on the effect estimates for the association between antibiotic exposure and acute liver injury.

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## Data analysis plan

We will compute odds ratios (OR) and 95% confidence intervals of first occurrence of idiopathic acute liver injury associated with current use of antibiotics as compared to non-use with conditional logistic regression.

## Data management

### ENCePP Seal

The use of the ENCePP Seal has been discontinued since February 2025. The ENCePP Seal fields are retained in the display mode for transparency but are no longer maintained.

## Data sources

### Data source(s), other

UPOD Netherlands, Mondriaan Netherlands

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### Data sources (types)

[Electronic healthcare records \(EHR\)](#)

[Other](#)

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### Data sources (types), other

Hospital registry

## Use of a Common Data Model (CDM)



**CDM mapping**

No

Data quality specifications

**Check conformance**

Unknown

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**Check completeness**

Unknown

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**Check stability**

Unknown

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**Check logical consistency**

Unknown

Data characterisation

**Data characterisation conducted**

No