

# The efficacy and safety of biosimilar infliximab CT-P13 in IBD: a prospective, nationwide, observational cohort (Biosimilar infliximab in IBD)

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Study

Ongoing

## Administrative details

### PURI

<https://redirect.ema.europa.eu/resource/9054>

### EU PAS number

EUPAS9053

### Study ID

9054

### DARWIN EU® study

No

### Study countries

Hungary

### Study description

Biosimilars are biologic medicines that enter the market subsequent to an original reference product whose patent has expired. Biosimilar infliximab CT-P13 received EMA approval in 2013 and was granted marketing authorization for all of the indications of the reference product, based on parallel-group clinical trials in rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and ankylosing spondylitis. Therefore, inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD) are considered as extrapolated indications. Concerns have been expressed regarding extrapolated indications. The dosing is different in RA (3 mg/kg b.w.) and in rheumatologic diseases combination therapy is more frequently used, which may influence immunogenicity. As of

May, 2014 the Hungarian National Health Fund only reimburses the biosimilar infliximab for new induction treatment in IBD. New induction is defined as no infliximab treatment in the previous 12 month, switch was not allowed. Data on the safety and efficacy of biosimilar infliximab in clinical practice in IBD is limited so far. Therefore, the aim of the present study was to conduct a prospective, nationwide, multicentre, observational cohort to examine the efficacy and safety of CT-P13 infliximab biosimilar in the induction and maintenance treatment of Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. The primary endpoint of the study was early clinical remission at week 14. Secondary endpoints include early clinical response at week 14, steroid-free clinical remission at week 30, sustained clinical remission and response at week 54, early and sustained biochemical response at week 14 and week 54, mucosal healing at week 54 and safety. Consecutive IBD patients starting on infliximab biosimilar were prospectively enrolled and a standardized monitoring strategy was applied. Demographic data, medication history, clinical, laboratory and endoscopic/radiological imaging were collected. Infliximab trough and anti-drug antibodies were measured at regular intervals. Adverse events were registered.

### Study status

Ongoing

## Research institution and networks

### Institutions

#### Semmelweis University

Hungary

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Institution

Hospital/Clinic/Other health care facility

#### First Department of Internal Medicine

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Gastroenterology Debrecen, Department of Medicine and  
Gastroenterology, Markusovszky Hospital Szombathely,  
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## Networks

Hungarian IBD Study Group

## Contact details

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned:

15/04/2014

Actual:

15/04/2014

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**Study start date**

Planned:

01/05/2014

Actual:

12/05/2014

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**Date of final study report**

Planned:

31/12/2016

## Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector
- Other

## More details on funding

Kéry Pharma, National Health Fund

## Regulatory

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

No

## Methodological aspects

### Study type

#### Study type list

**Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Drug utilisation

Effectiveness study (incl. comparative)

**Main study objective:**

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## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Other

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**Non-interventional study design, other**

Intensive monitoring schemes

## Study drug and medical condition

**Study drug International non-proprietary name (INN) or common name**

INFLIXIMAB

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**Medical condition to be studied**

Crohn's disease

Colitis ulcerative

## Population studied

**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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**Estimated number of subjects**

150

## Study design details

## Outcomes

The primary outcome of the study is early clinical remission at week 14. Clinical remission in CD was defined as a CDAI of less than 150 points or no fistula drainage according to the fistula drainage assessment. Clinical remission in UC was defined as a partial Mayo score of less than 3 points. Secondary outcomes include early clinical response at week 14, steroid-free clinical remission at week 30, sustained clinical remission and response at week 54, early and sustained biochemical response at week 14 and week 54, mucosal healing at week 54 and safety. Clinical response in CD was defined as a CDAI decrease >70 points or ?50% reduction in the number of draining fistulas.

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## Data analysis plan

Data appraisal and statistical analysis will be performed using the SPSS 20.0 software package. Statistical tests include calculating tests of normality, T and D tests, Chi2 test, Chi2 test with Yates' continuity correction and logistic regression.

# Data management

## Data sources

### Data sources (types)

Other

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### Data sources (types), other

Prospective patient-based data collection

## 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