

Multicenter, open-label, non-interventional study to evaluate the impact on clinical effects, user-friendliness and patient's acceptance of Airflusal® Forspiro® in the treatment of asthma under real life conditions (ASSURE)

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### EU PAS number

EUPAS12236

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### Study ID

28028

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### DARWIN EU® study

No

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## Study countries

☐ Denmark

☐ Norway

☐ Sweden

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## Study description

Asthma is the single most common chronic disease among children, and also affects many adults. It is a significant public health problem and a high-burden disease for which prevention is partly possible and treatment can be effective. According to the international ERS/ATS guidelines on definition, evaluation and treatment of severe asthma, combination preparations of inhaled steroids and long-acting beta agonists – fixed combinations - have been firmly established treatments for bronchial asthma for years. With Airflusal® Forspiro® the proven combination of the steroid fluticasone (as propionate) and the long-acting beta agonist salmeterol (as xinafoate) is available in a newly developed inhaler. For successful therapy with inhaled pharmaceutical forms, it is essential for the inhalation technique to be correct. The non-interventional study ASSURE is firstly to assess the patients' asthma control and quality of life while using Airflusal® Forspiro® in everyday practice, when used for bronchial asthma according to the guidelines. Secondly, the study is to obtain information concerning patient acceptance and the user-friendliness of the new Forspiro® inhaler in normal conditions outside of clinical studies.

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## Study status

Finalised

# Research institutions and networks

## Institutions

Sandoz

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Institution

Multiple centres: 300 centres are involved in the study

## Contact details

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### Primary lead investigator

Spencer Jones

Primary lead investigator

## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 24/02/2014

Actual: 24/02/2014

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**Study start date**

Planned: 01/10/2014

Actual: 30/10/2014

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**Date of final study report**

Planned: 30/06/2017

Actual: 03/08/2017

## Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector

## More details on funding

Sandoz International GmbH

## 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  
Medical device

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**Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Drug utilisation

**Data collection methods:**

Primary data collection

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**Main study objective:**

To evaluate the impact on clinical effects, user-friendliness and patient's acceptance of Airflusal® Forspiro® in the treatment of asthma under real life conditions.

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Cohort  
Other

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**Non-interventional study design, other**

Multicenter, open-label, non-interventional study

## Study drug and medical condition

**Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) code**

(R03AK06) salmeterol and fluticasone  
salmeterol and fluticasone

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**Medical condition to be studied**

Asthma

## Population studied

**Short description of the study population**

Patients with confirmed diagnosis of bronchial asthma and who were being treated with Airflusal® Forspiro®.

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**Age groups**

Adolescents (12 to < 18 years)  
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**

Other

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**Special population of interest, other**

Asthma patients

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**Estimated number of subjects**

200

## Study design details

## Outcomes

Primary objectives- To find out about patients' own assessment of the control of their asthma (using the ACT)- To find out about any change in patients' quality of life. Secondary objectives- To assess patients' acceptance of Airflusal® Forspiro® Inhaler- To obtain information about manipulation and user-friendliness of the new Forspiro® inhaler.

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## Data analysis plan

All statistical evaluations will be descriptive. No confirmatory statistical tests will be performed. Exploratory comparisons of subgroups are planned as are transverse and longitudinal comparisons. P-values of statistical tests are descriptive and do not relate to testing hypotheses.

## 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**

Unknown