

# Effectiveness in clinical practice versus efficacy of dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors in clinical trials for type 2 diabetes: protocol for systematic review

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Study

Planned

## Administrative details

### EU PAS number

EUPAS31738

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### Study ID

32528

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### DARWIN EU® study

No

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### Study countries



Portugal

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### Study status

Planned

## Research institutions and networks

## Institutions

### Association for Innovation and Biomedical Research on Light and Image (AIBILI)

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Institution

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Primary lead investigator

## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 24/06/2019

Actual: 24/06/2019

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**Study start date**

Planned: 31/01/2020

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**Date of final study report**

Planned: 31/12/2019

## Sources of funding

- Other

## More details on funding

AIBILI

## 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 type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Effectiveness study (incl. comparative)

**Main study objective:**

To compare the results obtained for efficacy and effectiveness endpoints on clinical trials and those obtained from routine clinical practice of DPP4 inhibitors.

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Systematic review and meta-analysis

## Study drug and medical condition

**Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) code**

(A10BH) Dipeptidyl peptidase 4 (DPP-4) inhibitors

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**Medical condition to be studied**

Type 2 diabetes mellitus

## 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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### **Special population of interest**

Renal impaired

Hepatic impaired

Immunocompromised

Pregnant women

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### **Estimated number of subjects**

0

## Study design details

### **Outcomes**

Efficacy endpoints: mean change from baseline 1) in haemoglobin A1C (HbA1c), 2) in fasting plasma glucose, 3) glucose, 4) in body weight, and number of patients achieving HbA1c<7%. Effectiveness endpoints: all-cause mortality, cardiovascular-related mortality, acute myocardial infarction, stroke, hospitalisations, emergency department visits, amputations, nephropathy and retinopathy.

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### **Data analysis plan**

The methodological quality of the RCT and observational studies will be assessed using Downs and Black checklist, while the AMSTAR 2 instrument will be used for the meta-analysis. To compare efficacy results of the DPP4 inhibitors when used in clinical trials context with their effectiveness in routine clinical

practice, meta-analyses will be carried out for premarketing and postmarketing data. For continuous outcomes, the weighted mean differences between the intervention group and the comparator group, with their 95%CI, will be estimated using a random effects model. If a study does not report the SD, this will be calculated from the sample size and the SE or the 95%CI. The risk ratios and the 95%CI will be estimated for dichotomous outcomes, also using a random effects model. Between studies, heterogeneity will be assessed using the I<sup>2</sup> statistic. The publication bias will be examined through visual inspection of a funnel plot and statistically evaluated by Egger's regression asymmetry test.

## 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 sources (types)

[Published literature](#)

[Other](#)

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### Data sources (types), other

Systematic literature search in Medline, Embase, Cochrane Controlled Register of Trials and ClinicalTrials.gov.

## 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