

MS100070_0031: Non-interventional cohort registry study to assess characteristics and management of patients with Merkel Cell Carcinoma in Germany (MCC-TRIM)

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Study

Finalised

Administrative details

EU PAS number

EUPAS25338

Study ID

34181

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No

Study countries

Germany

Study description

This is a 5-year non-interventional (observational), longitudinal, multi-site cohort registry study focusing on various epidemiological and clinical aspects to be assessed in patients diagnosed with MCC in Germany. The design is an open cohort study design, with dynamic, renewed sampling, allowing for each eligible patient to have the same probability to be included throughout the inclusion period.

Study status

Finalised

Research institutions and networks

Institutions

Merck Healthcare KGaA

Germany

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Pharmaceutical company

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Study timelines

Date when funding contract was signed

Actual: 21/08/2017

Study start date

Actual: 29/04/2019

Date of final study report

Actual: 27/11/2024

Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector

More details on funding

Merck KGaA

Regulatory

Was the study required by a regulatory body?

Yes

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

EU RMP category 3 (required)

Methodological aspects

Study type

Study type list

Study topic:

Disease /health condition

Human medicinal product

Study type:

Non-interventional study

Scope of the study:

Drug utilisation

Effectiveness study (incl. comparative)

Safety study (incl. comparative)

Data collection methods:

Primary data collection

Study design:

This was a 5-year non-interventional (observational), longitudinal, multi-site cohort study

Main study objective:

Enlarge ADO MCC Registry by collecting additional data on treatment patterns, comorbidities, concomitant treatments, effectiveness and safety outcomes, HRU and biomarker Information.

This study aims to identify and describe population of MCC patients, their treatment and outcomes in a real-world settings in Germany.

Study Design

Non-interventional study design

Cohort

Study drug and medical condition

Medicinal product name

BAVENCIO

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

AVELUMAB

Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) code

(L01FF04) avelumab

avelumab

Medical condition to be studied

Skin cancer

Additional medical condition(s)

Merkel cell carcinoma

Population studied

Short description of the study population

Patients were recruited based on a diagnosis of MCC only (all stages and ages), irrespective of treatment and MCC diagnosis tool utilized, from study start (30 April 2019) until 30 September 2023

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

Immunocompromised

Estimated number of subjects

1000

Study design details

Setting

The study population was recruited by healthcare providers (HCPs) participating in ADOREG, mainly dermatologists, treating and managing patients with MCC in Germany

Outcomes

In patients diagnosed with MCC in Germany

- Patient and tumor characteristics
 - Background prevalence rates
 - MCC-related treatments for all types and lines of therapy since initial diagnosis of MCC
 - Relevant common comorbidities in patients with metastatic stage disease
 - Concomitant medications
 - Disease outcomes by means of response and survival analyses
 - Safety events of interest
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Data analysis plan

All statistical analysis will be done using SAS version 9.4 or higher. For categorical variables, summary tabulations of number and percentage within each category (with a category for missing data) of parameter will be presented. For continuous variables, mean, median, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values will be given. All time-to-event analyses will be performed by using Kaplan-Meier methods including calculation of median survival times and 95% confidence intervals (CIs).

Safety analysis will mainly involve assessment of incidence rates (e.g. fatal and nonfatal ADRs, rate of immune-related ADRs).

In addition, as this is an open cohort, accumulation of evidence will continue over the study duration. Data will be analyzed every 6 months as information from more patients is accumulated over the 5-year study period.

The study sponsor will also be able to perform ad hoc queries using the cohort data throughout the duration of the study period of 5 years.

Documents

Study report

[ms100070_0031-csr_Redacted.pdf](#) (1.94 MB)

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)

[Disease registry](#)

Use of a Common Data Model (CDM)

CDM mapping

No

Data quality specifications

Check conformance

Unknown

Check completeness

Unknown

Check stability

Unknown

Check logical consistency

Unknown

Data characterisation

Data characterisation conducted

No