

# Metformin use in renal impairment

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### PURI

<https://redirect.ema.europa.eu/resource/40847>

### EU PAS number

EUPAS5249

### Study ID

40847

### DARWIN EU® study

No

### Study countries

Denmark

United Kingdom

### Study status

Finalised

## Research institution and networks

### Institutions

# Aarhus University & Aarhus University Hospital DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL EPIDEMIOLOGY

Denmark

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Institution

ENCePP partner

Educational Institution

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned:

31/07/2013

Actual:

31/07/2013

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### Study start date

Planned:

16/12/2013

Actual:

16/12/2013

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**Data analysis start date**

Planned:

16/12/2013

Actual:

16/12/2013

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**Date of interim report, if expected**

Planned:

31/03/2014

Actual:

30/04/2014

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**Date of final study report**

Planned:

30/06/2014

Actual:

30/06/2014

## Sources of funding

- EMA

## Study protocol

[Metformin use in renal impairment Final Protocol 2013-10-31.pdf](#)(1.12 MB)

## Regulatory

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

Yes

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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:**

Drug utilisation

**Data collection methods:**

Secondary data collection

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**Main study objective:**

1. To conduct a systematic review of literature relevant to metformin use and renal impairment  
2. To examine a. prevalence of renal impairment and other characteristics among new and prevalent users of metformin, b) use of metformin in patients with type 2 diabetes according to stage of renal function impairment c) Safety of metformin regarding renal impairment and lactic acidosis

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Cohort  
Cross-sectional

## Study drug and medical condition

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

METFORMIN

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**Medical condition to be studied**

Renal impairment  
Lactic acidosis

## Population studied

**Short description of the study population**

The source population for the study will be male and female residents of Denmark and United Kingdom (UK) – the two EU member states covered by relevant medical databases. The study population will consist of patients with medically treated type 2 diabetes, defined

as persons with at least one prescription for an antidiabetic medication aged 30 years or older at time of first recorded prescription. The study population was restricted to patients aged 30 years or older to exclude people with polycystic ovary syndrome and type 1 diabetes, which both are frequently diagnosed under age 30. Only patients with at least one year of prescription history before the index date (study entry or start of follow-up) will be included in order to have an observable washout period for identification of new users. In addition, we will require patients to have at least one measurement of creatinine before study inclusion in order to assess baseline renal function. In Denmark, the study population will be restricted to residents of the North and the Central Denmark regions covered by the Aarhus University Research Database, which includes information on filled prescriptions and laboratory data. In the United Kingdom, the study population will be restricted to patients treated by general practitioners participating in the Clinical Practice Research Datalink (CPRD) and who meet the study criteria.

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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**

Other

Renal impaired

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### **Special population of interest, other**

Type 2 diabetes mellitus patients

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### **Estimated number of subjects**

22000

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## **Study design details**

### **Outcomes**

lactic acidosisrenal impairment

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### **Data analysis plan**

-- Drug utilisation study - cross tabulation of distributions and patient characteristics-- incidence and prevalence of primary outcomes-- analysis of risk factors for lactic acidosis

## **Documents**

### **Study results**

[Metformin use in renal impairment FINAL REPORT 30june2014\\_executive summary uploaded to ENCePP.pdf](#)(128.63 KB)

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### **Study, other information**

[Metformin use in renal impairment Final Protocol 2013-10-31 Data sharing statement.pdf](#) (89.59 KB)

### **Study publications**

[Li L, Jick S, Gopalakrishnan C, Heide-Jørgensen U, Nørrelund H, Sørensen HT, Christiansen CF, Ehrenstein V, Heide-Jørgensen U, Skovbo S, Nørrelund H, Sørensen...](#)

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## Data management

## ENCePP Seal

**This study has been awarded the ENCePP seal**



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**Conflicts of interest of investigators**

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**Composition of steering group and observers**

[Steering group statement \(metformin\).pdf](#)(96.28 KB)

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**Signed code of conduct**

[2013-0023\\_CoC Declaration-SDPP-5249.pdf](#)(67.96 KB)

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**Signed code of conduct checklist**

**Signed checklist for study protocols**

[2013-0023-Checklist for study protocol-SDPP-5249.pdf](#)(373.02 KB)

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## Data sources

**Data source(s)**

Clinical Practice Research Datalink  
Danish registries (access/analysis)

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**Data sources (types)**

[Administrative data \(e.g. claims\)](#)  
[Drug dispensing/prescription data](#)  
[Electronic healthcare records \(EHR\)](#)

## 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