

Assessing the Utility of Peak Inspiratory Flow as a Predictor for COPD Exacerbations (PIF in COPD)

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Study

Finalised

Administrative details

EU PAS number

EUPAS34689

Study ID

47924

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No

Study countries



Denmark



Italy




Korea, Republic of



Malta

 Poland

 Singapore

 Slovenia

 Spain

Study description

This is an international, multicentre, observational, prospective study into Peak Inspiratory Flow in COPD patients that aims to: A) Determine the prevalence of suboptimal Peak Inspiratory Flow (PIF) and inadequate inhaler choice and assess the baseline characteristics of these groups. B) Assess the clinical role of PIF and inhaler choice in predicting COPD exacerbations and symptom burden. C) Assess the variability and correlation of PIF with other lung function measurements and CAT score in stable COPD. It is a 12 month study comprising one baseline assessment and 2 follow-up visits at 6 and 12 months.


Study status


Finalised


Research institutions and networks

Networks


Respiratory Effectiveness Group (REG)


 Belgium

 Denmark


 France

 Germany


 Greece


 Hungary

 Italy

 Netherlands

 Spain

 Sweden

 United Kingdom

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Network

ENCePP partner

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Study timelines

Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 10/03/2020

Actual: 10/03/2020

Study start date

Planned: 30/09/2020

Actual: 05/11/2020

Date of final study report

Planned: 30/09/2024

Actual: 05/06/2024

Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector

More details on funding

Boehringer Ingelheim

Regulatory

Was the study required by a regulatory body?

No

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

Not applicable

Methodological aspects

Study type

Study type list

Study type:

Non-interventional study

Scope of the study:

Disease epidemiology

Main study objective:

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Study Design

Non-interventional study design

Other

Non-interventional study design, other

Observational, non-interventional study

Study drug and medical condition

Medical condition to be studied

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

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

400

Study design details

Outcomes

1) Prevalence of suboptimal PIF and inadequate inhaler choice. 2) Annual exacerbation rate, exacerbation risk and time to first exacerbation and all-cause hospitalization and mortality associated with different levels of PIF. 3) Association between PIF and symptom burden i.e. CAT score. 4) Annual mortality rate associated with different PIF levels. 5) Variability of PIF over time and the correlation between PIF and other lung function measures (including FEV1, FVC, Inspiratory capacity), CAT scores, T2 markers (nasal polyps and dermatitis) and where available blood biomarkers.

Data analysis plan

Comparison of demographic and clinical characteristics between those with optimal and suboptimal PIF, and those with adequate vs inadequate inhalers.

We will analyse:

- Time to first/ risk of exacerbation using Cox regression.
- Rates of exacerbation using multivariate negative binomial regression.
- The variability of PIF measurements will be assessed with repeated measures

and coefficient of variation

- The correlation of PIF with other lung function measurements, CAT scores and blood biomarkers will be assessed using Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.

The analyses will control for the effects of age, sex, previous exacerbation history, ICS use, lung function, smoking status, time since last smoking and seasonality (month of the year).

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)

[Other](#)

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

Check completeness

Unknown

Check stability

Unknown

Check logical consistency

Unknown

Data characterisation

Data characterisation conducted

No