

# An Active Safety Surveillance Program To Monitor Selected Events In Patients With Long-Term Voriconazole Use

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### EU PAS number

EUPAS12624

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### Study ID

48463

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### DARWIN EU® study

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### Study countries

 Sweden

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### Study description

This is an observational cohort study examining the safety profile of Voriconazole in adults and pediatric patients, particularly those with long-term Voriconazole use ( $\geq 180$  days of treatment). The study will utilize data from Swedish National Registers including the Swedish Prescribed Drug Register (SPDR), the Swedish Cancer Register (SCR), the National Patient Register (NPR), the Causes of Death Register (CDR), and the Registers of Statistics Sweden.

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## Study status

Finalised

## Research institutions and networks

### Institutions

#### Centre for Pharmacoepidemiology, Karolinska Institutet (CPE-KI)

 Sweden

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**Institution**

**Educational Institution**

**Laboratory/Research/Testing facility**

**Not-for-profit**

**ENCePP partner**

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Actual: 21/01/2016

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### Study start date

Planned: 01/09/2016

Actual: 12/04/2016

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### Data analysis start date

Actual: 14/11/2016

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### Date of final study report

Planned: 30/06/2022

Actual: 29/04/2022

## Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector

## More details on funding

Pfizer Inc

# Study protocol

[Voriconazole\\_\\_NIS\\_Protocol\\_A1501103\\_ENCEPP SDPP 12624.pdf](#) (754.82 KB)

[Voriconazole\\_\\_NIS\\_Protocol\\_A1501103\\_Amend I\\_18June2015\\_EU PAS](#)

[Register\\_Final.pdf](#) (757.44 KB)

## Regulatory

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

No

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### **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

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#### **Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Assessment of risk minimisation measure implementation or effectiveness

Safety study (incl. comparative)

**Data collection methods:**

Secondary use of data

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**Main study objective:**

To estimate the incidence rate of hepatic disorders, phototoxicity, SCC of the skin, visual disorders and periostitis among adult and paediatric patients receiving voriconazole, particularly with long-term use.

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Cohort

Other

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**Non-interventional study design, other**

Observational, population-based study

## Study drug and medical condition

**Medicinal product name**

VFEND

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**Medical condition to be studied**

Candida sepsis

Aspergillus infection

## Population studied

## **Short description of the study population**

The study included patients with at least one filled prescription of voriconazole in the Swedish Prescribed Drug Register. The patients were identified from the population-based Swedish National Registers from 2006 to 2021 for the study period of 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2017.

Eligibility criteria:

- Patients with at least one filled prescription of voriconazole in the Swedish Prescribed Drug Register will be included in this study.
  - Note: Although the study will include patients with at least one filled prescription of voriconazole to be inclusive for safety reporting purposes, the analysis for the study objective will mainly focus on patients treated with long-term voriconazole use.
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## **Age groups**

- Adolescents (12 to < 18 years)
  - Children (2 to < 12 years)
  - Infants and toddlers (28 days - 23 months)
  - Preterm newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
  - Term newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
  - 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**

3660

## **Study design details**

## Outcomes

The primary study outcomes are hepatic disorders, phototoxicity, SCC of the skin, periostitis and visual disorders. Secondary outcomes include gastrointestinal disorders, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, abdominal discomfort, diarrhea, dyspepsia, flatulence, non-infective gastroenteritis, and death.

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## Data analysis plan

Descriptive statistics will be performed to describe patient demographic and clinical characteristics. Demographic characteristics include age, sex, geographic region, county of birth, and occupation. Clinical characteristics include co-morbid/underlying conditions, use of voriconazole for approved or non-approved indications, and concomitant medications. Main outcomes (safety events) will be analyzed using a piecewise exponential model that allows separate estimation of the hazard within voriconazole treatment intervals ( $\leq 3$  months,  $>3$  to  $\leq 6$  months,  $>6$  to  $\leq 9$  months,  $>9$  to  $\leq 12$  months, and  $> 12$  month). The following results will be presented by safety event: • Incidence rates and cumulative incidence rates with corresponding 95% CI, • Number of new events reported during follow-up, • Cumulative person-time at risk, and • Sub-group analyses of incidence rates across various demographic and baseline characteristics (i.e. age group, co-morbid/underlying conditions) when enough data exist

## Documents

### Study results

[A1501103\\_VFEND PASS FINAL REPORT \\_EU PAS REGISTER.pdf](#) (735.17 KB)

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## 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 source(s), other**

The Swedish prescribed drug register

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### **Data sources (types)**

[Administrative healthcare records \(e.g., claims\)](#)

[Disease registry](#)

[Drug dispensing/prescription data](#)

[Other](#)

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### **Data sources (types), other**

Death Register, Population Registers, Medical Charts

## 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