

An Observational Cohort Study to Investigate the Risk of Malignancies Among Patients Exposed to Baricitinib Using the Medical Data Vision (MDV) Database in Japan (I4V-JE-B020)

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Study

Ongoing

Administrative details

EU PAS number

EUPAS48903

Study ID

48904

DARWIN EU® study

No

Study countries

☐ Japan

Study description

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Study status

Ongoing

Research institutions and networks

Institutions

[Eli Lilly and Company](#)

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Study timelines

Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 17/12/2020

Actual: 17/12/2020

Study start date

Planned: 01/04/2008

Actual: 25/05/2021

Date of final study report

Planned: 30/06/2025

Sources of funding

- Pharmaceutical company and other private sector

More details on funding

Eli Lilly Japan K.K.

Regulatory

Was the study required by a regulatory body?

Yes

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

Non-EU RMP only

Methodological aspects

Study type

Study type list

Study type:

Non-interventional study

Scope of the study:

Assessment of risk minimisation measure implementation or effectiveness

Main study objective:

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Study Design

Non-interventional study design

Cohort

Study drug and medical condition

Name of medicine

OLUMIANT

Medical condition to be studied

Rheumatoid arthritis

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)

Estimated number of subjects

4500

Study design details

Outcomes

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baricitinib with those in the patients with rheumatoid arthritis who newly started any bDMARD. In addition to overall malignancies, evaluation of solid tumor and hematological cancer will be conducted. The secondary objectives of the study is to describe incidence of malignancies in elderly patients (aged ≥ 65 years).

Data analysis plan

For the primary objective, the analysis will be comparison of 2 hazards of incident malignancy cases in patients initiating baricitinib relative to a reference group of patients initiating bDMARDs using Cox proportional hazards regression models. The propensity score matching and IPTW method will be used in attempt to achieve the balance of potential confounding variables between 2 groups. The incidence rate of malignancy in elderly patients (aged ≥ 65 years) for both cohorts will be calculated. The adjusted analysis for confoundings among elderly patients (aged ≥ 65 years) will be conducted. The Kaplan-Meier method will be used to display the time until patients develop the first event (event-free period).

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

MDV Japan

Data sources (types)

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

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