

# An epidemiological investigation of high-risk children for Respiratory Syncytial Virus infections - RWE palivizumab utilization as a RSV preventive treatment in Lazio (Italy)

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Study

Ongoing

## Administrative details

### EU PAS number

EUPAS49568

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### Study ID

49569

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### DARWIN EU® study

No

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### Study countries

 Italy

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### Study description

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### Study status

Ongoing

## Research institutions and networks

### Institutions

Department of Epidemiology of the Regional Health Service - Lazio

 Italy

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Institution

Outdated

EU Institution/Body/Agency

ENCEPP partner

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Primary lead investigator

## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 23/06/2022

Actual: 23/06/2022

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### Study start date

Planned: 27/10/2022

Actual: 27/10/2022

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### Date of final study report

Planned: 31/12/2022

## Sources of funding

- Other

## More details on funding

IQVIA Solutions SPA

## Study protocol

[Protocol\\_RSV\\_Palivizumab.pdf](#) (505.02 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)?**

Not applicable

**Other study registration identification numbers and links**

Prot. N. 1133/CE Lazio 1

**Methodological aspects**

**Study type**

**Study type list**

**Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Disease epidemiology

Drug utilisation

**Main study objective:**

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procedures.

## Study Design

### **Non-interventional study design**

Cohort

## Study drug and medical condition

### **Medical condition to be studied**

Respiratory tract infection

## Population studied

### **Age groups**

- Preterm newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
- Term newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
- Infants and toddlers (28 days - 23 months)

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### **Estimated number of subjects**

8000

## Study design details

### **Outcomes**

1. Palivizumab utilization (presence or absence of palivizumab prophylaxis, number of prescriptions, adherence) 2. In children with Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia, Congenital Heart Disease and in preterm populations, describe the health-care resource utilization up to 24 months after birth: hospitalizations, related hospital procedures and drug consumption

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### **Data analysis plan**

Descriptive analysis will be performed on three different cohorts of high-risk children for RSV severe infection (children with BPD, children born with CHD and children born preterm ( $\leq 29$  and 30-35 WGA). All infants will be observed from index date (date of birth will be defined as index date) until the end of follow-up (maximum 24 months after birth day), end of study. Descriptive statistics will be defined by cohort and per year of birth and stratified by palivizumab use and WGA (according to data availability). Categorical variables will be presented as counts and percentages, while continuous variables will be presented as mean and standard deviation or median and interquartile range according to data distribution. Incidence and prevalence of hospitalizations for each RSV season will be calculated.

## 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)**

Drug claims information system

Hospital Information System

Healthcare Emergency Information System

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**Data source(s), other**

Lazio Administrative Database Italy

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**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

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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