# A 26- week Extension study of the safety and clinical effects of EVP-6124 in subjects with Alzheimer's disease currently or previously receiving an acetylcholinesterase inhibitor medication

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Primary ObjectivesTo assess the safety of 2 fixed doses of EVP-6124 (2 or 3 mg daily) for up to 52 weeks in subjects withAlzheimer\*s disease (AD) who complete (Day 182) studies EVP-6124-024 or EVP-6124-025Secondary ObjectivesTo assess the duration...

**Ethical review** Approved WMO

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type Neurological disorders NEC

**Study type** Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON41994

#### Source

**ToetsingOnline** 

**Brief title** 

EVP-6124-026

#### Condition

Neurological disorders NEC

#### **Synonym**

Dementia and Alzheimer's disease

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Forum Pharmaceuticals, Inc

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Envivo pharmaceuticals

#### Intervention

**Keyword:** Alzheimer's disease, EVP-6124, extension study, phase 3

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

52 weeks of EVP-6124

Safety Outcomes: Frequency of treatment-emergent AEs (TEAEs), serious TEAEs, related TEAEs, and

TEAEs that result in study drug discontinuation will be evaluated. Descriptive statistics for the change from

baseline in vital sign measurements, physical examinations, laboratory test results for hematology and

chemistry, 12-lead ECGs, C-SSRS and GDS will be assessed over time. An interim analysis for safety

reporting may be performed when a sufficient number of subjects have completed

treatment. Investigators and study staff will remain blinded to the dose assignment for the previous study.

Clinical Effects Outcomes: Descriptive statistics to assess the change from baseline in the MMSE, NPI, ZBI, and EQ-5D results over time will be presented; results of the RUD-Lite© 3.3 over time will also be presented.

A statistical analysis plan will be finalized before the database is locked to

document the detailed analysis

methods, data handling procedures, and other statistical analysis issues.

#### **Secondary outcome**

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# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Alzheimer\*s disease (AD) is the leading cause of dementia in the elderly. The prevalence of dementia in those >=65 years in North America is approximately 6 to 10%, with AD accounting for approximately 66% of these cases. This illness represents a steadily growing medical and social problem of our aging societies, with an overall prevalence rate of 8.3 million patients in 7 countries. As the population ages, the burden of AD is expected to grow substantially in upcoming decades.

Improvements for behavioral symptoms, which often are a major factor increasing caregiver burden, are rather low.

Therefore, more efficacious drugs are urgently needed to improve the treatment of cognitive deficits in patients with AD.

Studies in both neurochemical and animal-behavioral models indicate that nicotinic acetylcholine receptor agonists may

be useful for the treatment of cognitive deficiencies in subjects with mild to moderate dementia due to AD.

EVP-6124 is a potent agonist of the  $\alpha 7$  nicotinic acetylcholine receptor (nAChR), which is located in several brain areas

involved in cognition and memory, such as the cerebral cortex and the hippocampus.

Overall, this study design addresses key clinical and scientific areas of interest in cognitive impairments, activities of daily

living, psychiatric and behavioral symptoms, caregiver burden, quality of life, and pharmacoeconomic outcomes

associated with mild to moderate dementia due to AD and attempts to gain further understanding of the effects and safety of EVP6124 in the study population.

#### Study objective

**Primary Objectives** 

To assess the safety of 2 fixed doses of EVP-6124 (2 or 3 mg daily) for up to 52 weeks in subjects with

Alzheimer\*s disease (AD) who complete (Day 182) studies EVP-6124-024 or EVP-6124-025

Secondary Objectives

To assess the duration of clinical effects of EVP-6124 for up to 52 weeks on the following endpoints:

- Cognition using the Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE)
- Psychiatric and behavioral symptoms using the Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI)
- Quality of life using the EuroQol-5D\* (EQ-5D), pharmacoeconomic outcomes using the Resource

Utilization in Dementia (RUD-Lite©3.3), and caregiver perceived burden using the Zarit Burden Interview (ZBI)

#### Study design

This is a 26-week, randomized extension of the Phase 3 double-blind placebo-controlled studies, EVP-6124-024

and EVP-6124-025. In these studies, subjects diagnosed with mild to moderate dementia due to AD currently

or previously treated with an acetylcholinesterase inhibitor (AChEI)

(donepezil, rivastigmine, or galantamine)

received EVP-6124 (2 or 3 mg daily) or placebo for 26 weeks.

In this extension study, subjects who complete study EVP-6124-024 or

EVP-6124-025 (Day 182) and fulfill all

entry criteria will be randomized to receive EVP-6124 2 or 3 mg daily for 26 weeks (182 days). The term

\*randomized\* will refer to all subjects, including subjects previously treated with EVP-6124 who will receive

the same dose during this study as received in the previous study and subjects previously treated with placebo

who will be randomized to EVP-6124 2 or 3 mg daily (1:1 ratio). Subjects, investigators and study staff will

remain blinded to the EVP-6124 dose assignment for all subjects. Assessments performed at the final

double-blind study visit (Day 182) will serve as the baseline for this extension study for all subjects. Subjects

who do not immediately elect to enroll in the extension study on Day 182 must do so within 5 days to be

eligible for study entry.

During this extension, subjects receiving an AChEI may continue these medications and dose changes are

allowed, and subjects not receiving an AChEI may have AChEI treatment re-initiated.

Each subject is required to have a reliable and capable support person/caregiver who interacts with the subject

approximately 4 times per week and will be available to attend clinic visits in person when possible.

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subjects previously treated with EVP-6124 in the EVP-6124=-015 study,will receive the same dose during this study as received in the previous study (2 or 3 mg) and subjects previously treated with placebo will be randomized to EVP-6124 2 or 3 mg daily (1:1 ratio).

#### Study burden and risks

The patient will be in the study for 27 weeks which will involve a minimum of 6 visits to the site. Each visit will last between 1-3 hours. Also, the patient will be contacted by phone in between visits.

During the visits in the clinic, physical examinations will be done (6x) directed to constipation and other GI related AEs, vitals will be taken, weight will be measured. Blood draw (6 visits approx 12 ml per visit), and ECG will be done during 5 visits. Women of childbearing potential will have a urine pregnancy test(6x). A certified rater will perform the following tests: Colombia-Suicide Severity rating Scale (C-SSRS 6x) and Geriatric Depression scale (GDS 2x)

The following cognitive assessments will be done: Mini-mental state examination (MMSE 2x).

Funcional and behavioral assesments will be done: Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI 2x)

pharmaco-economics, caregiver perceived burden and quality of life will be measured through: Resource Utilization in Demetia (RUD-Lite© 3.3 2x), Zarit Burden Interview (ZBI 32x), EQ-5D 2x

During this extension stud, the patient will have weekly calls during the first 8 weeks to assess constipation and other GI-related events. These calls will be every other week after 8 weeks , as well as on day189 ( end of treatment) and 30 days after the last dose in case of an SAE.

Across completed studies, the most commonly experienced treatment emergency adverse events were constipation (6.8%, EVP-6124;0.9%, placebo) and headache (6.9%, EVP-6124;5.9%, placebo); these events were generally mild, transient, and usually resolved without treatment.

Mental function (thinking, concentration, memory) of an individual may or may not improve while participating in this study. Participation in this studywill provide scientific information on safety of EVP-6124, but also on the efficacy of EVP-6124 on the mental function in the human brain. This information is useful for a larger population where cognitive impairment could occur such as

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

#### Inclusion criteria

1. Informed consent form (ICF) for this extension study signed by the subject or legally acceptable

representative and an ICF signed by the support person/caregiver before initiation of any study-specific

extension procedures

- 2. Successful completion (Day 182) of study EVP-6124-024 or EVP-6124-025
- 3. No clinically significant change in the judgment of the investigator in the subject\*s medical status during study EVP-6124-024 or EVP-6124-025
- 4. In the judgment of the investigator, extension treatment is in the best interest of the
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subject

- 5. Fertile, sexually active subjects (men and women) must use an effective method of contraception during the study. Female subjects and the female partner of male subjects must be surgically sterile (hysterectomy or bilateral tubal ligation), postmenopausal for at least 1-year, or willing to practice adequate methods of contraception if of childbearing potential (defined as consistent use of combined effective methods of contraception [including at least 1 barrier method])
- 6. Reliable and capable support person/caregiver, who if not living in the same household, interacts with the subject approximately 4 times per week and will be available to attend clinic visits in person when possible

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Significant risk of suicidal or violent behavior in the judgment of the investigator
- 2. Adverse events (AEs) from the previous study (EVP-6124-024 or EVP-6124-025) that have not resolved, are moderate or severe, judged to be possibly related or related to study drug, and considered by the investigator to be a contraindication to extension study participation
- 3. Any condition that would make the subject in the judgment of the investigator unsuitable for the study
- 4. Female subjects who are pregnant, nursing, or planning to become pregnant during the extension study

# Study design

## Design

Study phase: 3

Study type: Interventional

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 04-02-2015

Enrollment: 40

Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: EVP-6124

Generic name: EVP-6124

## **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 21-08-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

Approved WMO

Date: 01-12-2014

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Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

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(Assen)

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Date: 03-11-2015

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

# **Study registrations**

# Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

EudraCT EUCTR2013-002654-75-NL

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