

# BOSSA Study: Bosentan for the treatment of Steroid-resistant Pulmonary Sarcoidosis

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## Plain English Summary

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## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

N/A

## Study information

Scientific Title

Randomised placebo-controlled, double-blind, exploratory trial of Bosentan for Steroid-resistant Pulmonary Sarcoidosis: the BOSSA Study

**Acronym**

BOSSA

**Study hypothesis**

To assess the safety and efficacy of a treatment with bosentan in steroid-resistant sarcoidosis.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

The Ethics Committee of University Hospital Basel approved on the 29th May 2007 (ref: Nr. 71 /07)

**Study design**

Randomised placebo controlled phase II study

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Secondary study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)**

Hospital

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

**Participant information sheet**

Not available in web format, please use contact details below to request a patient information sheet

**Condition**

Sarcoidosis with pulmonary involvement

**Interventions**

Patients will be randomised to receive

1. Bosentan
2. Placebo

62.5 mg Twice daily (BID) for 4 weeks followed by 125 mg BID for 11 months.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Phase II

## **Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Bosentan

## **Primary outcome measure**

1. Safety as measured by severe adverse events (SAEs) and necessity to stop bosentan due to increases liver enzymes
2. Efficacy at 12 months as measured by:
  - 2.1. Overall response rate as defined by a 10% improvement of either TLC, DLCO, VO2 peak, endurance time at 75% of VO2 peak or 6-min walk distance (6MWD)
  - or
  - 2.2. A decrease in the HRCT-score greater than or equal to and absence of worsening by at least 10% in any functional parameters and absence of an increase in the HRCT-score greater than or equal to 2

## **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Overall adverse events, reported during the regular visits of the patients at the centres
2. Changes in QoL, measured by SF-36 questionnaire
3. Decrease in expression of genes associated with fibroproliferation
4. Efficacy at 3, 6 and 9 months

## **Overall study start date**

01/10/2007

## **Overall study end date**

31/12/2012

## **Eligibility**

### **Participant inclusion criteria**

1. Biopsy-proven sarcoidosis with pulmonary involvement stages II, III, (IV) according to Silzbach
2. Persistent symptoms on long-term oral corticosteroids (greater than 2 months; 5 mg prednisone or equivalent and/or other immunosuppressive agents)
3. Aged greater than 18 years
4. Informed written consent
5. Impaired exercise capacity (oxygen uptake [VO2] peak less than 80%) or resting lung functions (forced expiratory volume in one second [FEV1], forced vital capacity [FVC] or diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide [DLCO] less than 80%)

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Lower age limit**

18 Years

### **Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

36

**Participant exclusion criteria**

1. Systemic illness other than sarcoidosis requiring immunosuppressive therapy
2. Honey combing greater than 10% on High Resolution Computed Tomography [HRCT] scan
3. Marked disturbance of liver enzymes at baseline
4. Pregnancy
5. Relevant psychiatric illness or addictive disorder
6. Previous or current treatment with bosentan
7. Therapy with cyclosporine A

**Recruitment start date**

01/10/2007

**Recruitment end date**

31/12/2012

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Switzerland

**Study participating centre**

University Hospital Basel

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

University Hospital Basel (Switzerland)

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Website**

<http://www.unispital-basel.ch/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/04k51q396>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Industry

**Funder Name**

Actelion Pharma Schweiz AG (Germany)

## Results and Publications

**Publication and dissemination plan**

Not provided at time of registration

**Intention to publish date**

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan**

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	28/10/2018		Yes	No