

Ocrelizumab in pregnancy and lactation

Overview



Pregnancy outcomes¹

- As of March 2021, 1,223 pregnancies had been reported in women with MS treated with OCR, an increase of approximately 100% relative to the previous data cut (n=608; March 2020)^{1,2}
- Updated data do not suggest an increased risk of adverse pregnancy outcomes with ocrelizumab use, with or without *in utero* exposure, and remain in line with previous reports and expected epidemiological ranges^{3,4}



MINORE study^{5,6}

- MINORE (NCT04998812) will evaluate placental transfer of OCR and the corresponding pharmacodynamic effects in the infants of women with CIS or MS whose last dose of OCR was administered at any time ≤6 months before the LMP until the end of the first trimester



SOPRANINO study^{7,8}

- SOPRANINO (NCT04998851) will evaluate the pharmacokinetics of OCR in the breast milk of lactating women with CIS or MS as well as the corresponding exposure and pharmacodynamic effects in the infant



Summary of pregnancy outcomes by exposure category^{*,1}

- Across exposure categories, data were in line with expected epidemiological ranges^{3,4}
- Five stillbirths (0.8%) were reported, of which three presented with comorbidities as potential confounders. All were retrospectively reported cases and no increase in rate was observed since the 2020 data cut²
- Seven major congenital anomalies (1.6%) were reported, of which four were potentially confounded by risk factors

Exposure based on last OCR dose	Not exposed <i>in utero</i> (n=307)			Exposed <i>in utero</i> (n=414)			Unknown timing of exposure (n=502)	Total cases (n=1,223)
	<6 months (n=69)	<3–6 months (n=238)	Total not exposed <i>in utero</i> (n=307)	0–3 months (n=265)	During pregnancy (n=142)	Total exposed <i>in utero</i> [†] (n=414)		
Known outcomes	45 (100.0)	134 (100.0)	179 (100.0)	158 (100.0)	75 (100.0)	236 (100.0)	189 (100.0)	604 (100.0)
Live births[§]	29 (64.4)	98 (73.1)	127 (70.9)	114 (72.2)	56 (74.7)	171 (72.5)	129 (68.3)	427 (70.7)
Full term (≥37 weeks)	21 (72.4)	54 (55.1)	75 (59.1)	65 (57.0)	28 (50.0)	94 (55.0)	33 (25.6)	202 (47.3)
Pre-term (<37 weeks)	2 (6.9)	11 (11.2)	13 (10.2)	18 (15.8)	8 (14.3)	26 (15.2)	8 (6.2)	47 (11.0)
Unknown Gwk	6 (20.7)	33 (33.7)	39 (30.7)	31 (27.2)	20 (35.7)	51 (29.8)	88 (68.2)	178 (41.7)
Live births with MCA	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.9)	4 (7.1)	5 (2.9)	2 (1.6)	7 (1.6)
Ectopic pregnancy	4 (8.9)	2 (1.5)	6 (3.4)	1 (0.6)	1 (1.3)	2 (0.8)	5 (2.6)	13 (2.2)
Therapeutic/elective abortion	1 (2.2)	11 (8.2)	12 (6.7)	23 (14.6)	7 (9.3)	30 (12.7)	12 (6.3)	54 (8.9)
Spontaneous abortion (≤22 weeks)	11 (24.4)	23 (17.2)	34 (19.0)	17 (10.8)	10 (13.3)	29 (12.3)	42 (22.2)	105 (17.4)
Stillbirth (>22 weeks)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (1.9)	1 (1.3)	4 (1.7)	1 (0.5)	5 (0.8)



MINORE^{5,6}

- Enrolment of ~44 women between Gwk 22–26, whose last OCR dose occurred at any time from 6 months before the LMP until the end of the first trimester
- Primary endpoint:** Proportion of infants with B-cell levels below LLN at Week 6 of life
- Key secondary endpoints:** serum OCR levels in umbilical cord blood, infant humoral immune responses to vaccinations
- More information is available at [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov)



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- Enrolment of at least 20 women who delivered a term infant and made the decision to breastfeed whilst receiving OCR (inclusion from 2–24 weeks post-partum)
- Co-primary endpoints:** Proportion of infants with B-cell levels below the LLN, measured 30 days after the mother's first postpartum OCR infusion; Estimated ADID over 60 days after the mother's first postpartum OCR infusion
- More information is available at [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov)

Do you have patients with MS receiving OCR who are pregnant? Please remember to report the pregnancy accordingly:

If you are in the United States, your patients may be able to take part in a global registry of women with MS who are pregnant and either have or have not received ocrelizumab during or within 6 months before their pregnancy. Click [here](#) for information
Outside the United States: Please report any occurrence of pregnancy in women receiving OCR [here](#)

Footnotes

Summary of pregnancy outcomes by exposure category

*An embryo/foetus was considered to have exposure to OCR *in utero* if the last infusion occurred within 3 months of conception, during pregnancy or *in utero* with timing unknown;

†Proportions of live births, ectopic pregnancies, therapeutic/elective abortions, spontaneous abortions and stillbirths were calculated using known outcomes of the respective exposure category as the denominator;

‡Total exposed *in utero* includes seven *in utero* exposure cases for which exact timing of exposure could not be determined;

§Proportions of live birth gestational age and anomalies were calculated using live births in the respective exposure category as the denominator.

Abbreviations

ADID, average daily oral infant dose; CIS, clinically isolated syndrome; GWk, gestation week;

LLN, lower limit of normal; LMP, last menstrual period; MCA, major congenital anomalies; OCR, ocrelizumab.

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