Risk Assessment through the Life Cycle of Medicinal Products

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OUTLINE





KISKS RELATED TO USE OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Any risk relating to the **Quality, Safety or Efficacy** of the Medicinal Product as regard patient's health or public health.

Safety and Efficacy (intrinsic)

- Safety : side effects which may occur is some patients
- *Efficacy* : extent to work as intended effect

Benefit-Risk balance should be assessed for each candidate.

Risk to Quality (extrinsic); deviations from GMP, failure to meet drug specifications, may affect the B-R balance and put patients at risk, should also be identified and controlled.

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LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

ICH – Based Regulations



Pre-Market Approvals





Do the benefits outweigh the risks?



Risk (Side Effects)

Probability that harm the patient



Benefit





Continuous B-R Assessment

Optimizing benefits throughout the lifecycle of a medicinal product



1. Do the benefits outweigh the risks?

Example 1 : Thalidomide

 Thalidomide was first marketed 1950s prescribed as a sedative or hypnotic etc. Afterwards, it was used against nausea and to alleviate morning sickness in pregnant women. Approx. 10 000 children affected with congenital anomalies e.g. phocomelia during late 50s and 60s leading to its withdrawal (1961)





2. Is the uncertainty around B - R acceptably low?

Example 1 : Thalidomide (continued)

Benefit

 Over the years some beneficial effects of thalidomide have been recognised and it has been used for treatment for <u>multiple myeloma</u>, erythema nodosum leprosum, aphthous ulcers in HIV-infected patients, chronic graft-versus-hostdisease and a variety of tumors.

Risk



• To minimize the risk of

Thalidomide exposure during pregnancy in women,

Risk management program including:

- Education
- Managed Distribution
- Registration of Physicians, Pharmacists, Patients
- Periodic Pregnancy Test
- Periodic Confirmation of Understanding
 ···etc



Is the uncertainty around B - R acceptably low?

Example 2 : Carbamazepine (CBZ)

Benefit

CBZ is an antiepileptic drug, first marketed in 1960s, is used to prevent and control seizures. This medication is known as an anticonvulsant or anti-epileptic drug. It is also used to relieve certain types of nerve pain (such as trigeminal neuralgia).





3rd cause of drug injury relief cases



Is the uncertainty around B - R acceptably low?

Example 2 : Carbamazepine (CBZ) (continued)



The risks and benefits of CBZ therapy should be weighed before considering CBZ in patients known to be positive for **HLA-B*1502** (Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) complex, encoded by the HLA gene family, plays a critical role in immunity). Carbamazepine-Induced Toxic Effects and **HLA-B*1502**

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Risk Management

- labeling revision, black boxed warning
 added...(2004 > 2007 > 2008 > 2010)
- HLA-B*1502 gene screening included in NHI(2010.06)
- Mandatory change labels, Pharmacists are required to remind the patients of potential side effects when fill out the prescriptions (2010.07)
- **RMP by pharmaceutical companies** (2011.09)



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Drug injury relief case of SJS/TNS caused by carbamazepine



Risk Management

Post-Marketing Safety and Quality Surveillance



Global Drug Quality Information Monitoring



Global Safety Information Monitoring

- Actively Monitor Global Safety Information and news daily.
- If there is a suspect safety signal, we will deliver risk communication letter and start drug safety re-evaluation.
- > 107 drug alerts in 2018



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