

# CLINUVEL

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## Preliminary results from SCENESSE® adolescent EPP study

*Consistent safety profile in adolescents*

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- First SCENESSE® study in adolescents EPP patients (CUV052) complete
  - Equivalent safety profile between adults and adolescents
  - Biochemical data in adolescents similar to historical range in healthy adult volunteers
  - All eligible patients request further treatment under special access
- Data to support SCENESSE® label extension filing 2H 2025

CLINUVEL today announced preliminary results from its post-authorisation study of SCENESSE® (afamelanotide) in adult and adolescent (12–17-year-old) erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP) patients (CUV052). SCENESSE® was well tolerated by all patients enrolled in the study, with the safety profile of the drug being consistent with that reported in long-term adult use. Biochemical analyses showed that the controlled-release profile of the SCENESSE® implant in adolescent patients was similar to that observed in earlier studies in adults.

Pending final analyses, data from the CUV052 study will form part of the regulatory package to be submitted to regulatory agencies in support of expanding the SCENESSE® indication to include treatment of adolescent patients.

### SCENESSE® for adolescent EPP patients

The first adolescent patients were treated with SCENESSE® in 2021, with strong support from expert physicians.

CLINUVEL committed to the CUV052 study following feedback from the European Medicines Agency (EMA) that pharmacological and safety data in adolescent patients could support the extension of the SCENESSE® label to adolescent EPP patients, who are currently deprived of treatment.

EPP is an inherited genetic disorder affecting an estimated 1:140,000 individuals

21 adolescent patients have now received SCENESSE® treatment

Approximately 60 EPP adolescent patients are known to reside in France, Germany, Italy and the Netherlands

### Results show consistent safety in adults and adolescents

CUV052 is the first study in adolescent patients evaluating SCENESSE®. A total of 28 EPP patients (14 adults and 14 adolescents) were assessed.

The study sought to analyse the pharmacology of SCENESSE®, comparing adolescents of 12 to 17 years of age with adults.

Consistent with conditions of use, SCENESSE® was well tolerated by all study participants. All treatment-related adverse events were mild in severity and resolved during the study, with no treatment-related serious adverse events reported.<sup>1</sup>

Preliminary biochemical analyses showed consistent readings among both adults and adolescents. Pharmacology measures, including the area under curve and maximum concentration, were determined. It was found that active drug detectable in blood samples was higher in adolescents compared to adults, although consistent with historical data captured in healthy volunteer studies.

Final analyses of data from CUV052 are expected in the second half of 2025, with a further submission to the EMA planned to seek expansion of the SCENESSE® label.

CLINUVEL is facilitating limited special access to SCENESSE® treatment for patients enrolled in the CUV052 study, with all eligible enrolled patients electing to receive further treatment in 2024 or 2025.

## Regulatory pathway SCENESSE® label expansion

CLINUVEL engaged the EMA in 2022, requesting an expansion of the SCENESSE® label to include adolescent patients. During review of preliminary data and an oral hearing in 2024, the EMA opined that it would not know whether a risk of SCENESSE® for adolescent EPP patients would be posed and recommended further data from CLINUVEL to support a label expansion.

CLINUVEL will incorporate data from CUV052 and seek label expansions in jurisdictions where the drug is approved.

## Commentary

“Over the last three years we have diligently collected and analysed data which support a positive risk-benefit profile of SCENESSE® in adolescent EPP patients, following demand from patients and physicians to broaden access to treatment,” CLINUVEL’s Chief Scientific Officer, Dr Dennis Wright said.

“As one could expect from our longer-term use, initial data from the CUV052 study demonstrate that the drug is well tolerated, consistent with that seen under conditions of use in adults.

“Adolescents seem to have slightly higher drug exposure in this study but these results are consistent with historical ranges in earlier adult studies.

“We understand from regulatory decision makers that pharmacology data can be used to support label expansion. It is hoped that the complete analyses of data from CUV052, now underway, will ultimately address regulatory hesitance and allow wider adolescent use,” Dr Wright said.

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<sup>1</sup> Preliminary data subject to final data analyses. All treatment related adverse events listed are reported as “common” (may affect up to 1 in 10 people receiving the drug) or “very common” (may affect >1 in 10 people) in the SCENESSE® Summary of Product Characteristics available from CLINUVEL’s website.

### CUV052 STUDY DESIGN

Study summary	A Study to Evaluate the Pharmacokinetics of Afamelanotide in Patients with Erythropoietic Protoporphyrin (EPP), CUV052
Patients enrolled (n=)	28: 14 adults / 14 adolescents
Age range	13-55
Study period	90 days
Objectives	Pharmacological objectives Safety (adverse events, drug tolerability)

<b>Changes in melanin density</b>	
<b>Sites</b>	Three European EPP Expert Centres
<b>Safety reports</b>	<p>22 treatment-related adverse events reported by 14 patients (8 adult/6 adolescent)</p> <p>Most common treatment related adverse events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• headache (5 patients – 3 adult/2 adolescent)</li> <li>• nausea (4 patients – 2/2)</li> <li>• flu-like symptoms (3 patients – 3/0)</li> <li>• diarrhea (3 patients – 2/1)</li> <li>• Implant site reaction (3 patients 1/2)</li> </ul>

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CLINUVEL's lead therapy, SCENESSE® (afamelanotide 16mg), is approved for commercial distribution in Europe, the USA, Israel, and Australia as the world's first systemic photoprotective drug for the prevention of phototoxicity (anaphylactoid reactions and burns) in adult patients with erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP). Headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, CLINUVEL has operations in Europe, Singapore, and the USA. For more information, please go to <https://www.clinuvel.com>.

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