



COVID-19 vaccines: Thromboembolic events with thrombocytopenia

CHM 4th April (data lock 31st March)



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Background

Ongoing, detailed review of reports of very rare events of thromboembolic events (including CVST and other events) with concurrent thrombocytopenia.

Assessment of Yellow Card Scheme reports against a case definition developed with independent expert advice.

Latest consideration at CHM and Vaccine Benefit Risk Expert Working Group (EWG) meetings

- 27 March: CHM meeting
- 31 March: Vaccine Benefit Risk EWG meeting
- 01 April: CHM meeting

Summary of case reports (DLP: 31 Mar 2021)

91 cases in total. 23 Fatalities including unlikely.

80 confirmed, probable or possible















Age range for all reports (including unlikely)















Age range (years)	Number of cases	Number of fatal cases
15-19	3	2
20-24	6	3
25-29	4	0
30-34	12	5
35-39	6	2
40-44	0	0
45-49	10	2
50-54	5	2
55-59	12	1
60-64	8	1
65-69	6	2
70-74	4	1
75-79	2	0
Unknown	13	2
	91	23

Lowest Platelet Counts stratified by age (excl. Unlikely)

Age range (years)	Lowest Platelet counts (no. fatal cases)					Total
	<50	50-99	<100*	100-150	Unknown	
15-19	1 (1)	-	-	-	2 (1)	3 (2)
20-24	2 (1)	1 (0)	-	-	2 (1)	5 (2)
25-29	2 (0)	1 (0)	-	1(0)	-	4 (0)
30-34	6 (3)	2 (1)	-	-	2 (0)	10 (4)
35-39	3 (1)	-	1 (0)	-	2 (1)	6 (2)
40-44	-	-	-	-	-	0
45-49	6 (1)	3 (1)	-	-	1(0)	10 (2)
50-54	2 (1)	1 (0)	-	-	-	3 (1)
55-59	7 (1)	1 (0)	-	-	1 (0)	9 (1)
60-64	3 (0)	1(1)	-	-	3 (0)	7 (1)
65-69	2 (1)	1 (0)	1 (1)	-	2 (0)	6 (2)
70-74	3 (0)	-	-	1 (1)	-	4 (1)
75-79	-	1 (0)	-	-	-	1(0)
Unknown	3 (0)	-	-	-	9 (2)	12(2)
	40 (10)	12 (3)	2 (1)	2 (1)	24 (5)	80 (20)

Comparative exposure data – AZ 1st doses

Age group	Estimated number of first AZ doses in UK (1,000,000s)	%
15-19 years		
20-24 years		
25-29 years		
30-34 years		
35-39 years		
40-44 years		
45-49 years		

Age group	Estimated number of first AZ doses in UK (1,000,000s)	%
50-54 years		
55-59 years		
60-64 years		
65-69 years		
70-74 years		
75-79 years		
80+ years		

Incidence rate – further analysis of CVST (and CVST + other TE)

Age group	Estimated number of first doses in UK (1,000,000s)	Total number of cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Exc. unlikely cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Number of fatal cases (inc. unlikely)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
Total	20.2	50*	2.5 (1.8,3.3)	45*	2.2 (1.6,3.0)	18**	0.9 (0.5,1.4)

* Includes 7 – unknown age

** Includes 2 – unknown age

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Total	20.2	89*	4.4 (3.5,5.4)	80*	4.0 (3.2,4.9)	23**	1.1 (0.,1.7)

* Includes 12 – unknown age

** Includes 2 – unknown age

Incidence rate – further analysis of CVST - <50 years

Age group	Estimated number of first doses in UK (1,000,000s)	Total number of cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Exc. unlikely cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Number of fatal cases (inc. unlikely)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
15-19 years	█	3	█	3	█	2	█
20-24 years	█	4	█	3	█	3	█
25-29 years	█	3	█	3	█	0	█
30-34 years	█	9	█	8	█	5	█
35-39 years	█	1	█	1	█	0	█
40-44 years	█	0	█	0	█	0	█
45-49 years	█	6	█	6	█	1	█

Incidence rate – further analysis of CVST – 50+ years

Age group	Estimated number of first doses in UK (1,000,000s)	Total number of cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Exc. unlikely cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Number of fatal cases (inc. unlikely)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
50-54 years	█	2	█	1	█	1	█
55-59 years	█	9	█	7	█	1	█
60-64 years	█	1	█	1	█	1	█
65-69 years	█	3	█	3	█	2	█
70-74 years	█	1	█	1	█	0	█
75-79 years	█	1	█	1	█	0	█

Incidence rate – further analysis of CVST + other TE - <50 years

Age group	Estimated number of first doses in UK (1,000,000s)	Total number of cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Exc. unlikely cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Number of fatal cases (inc. unlikely)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
15-19 years	█	3	█	3	█	1	█
20-24 years	█	6	█	5	█	3	█
25-29 years	█	4	█	4	█	0	█
30-34 years	█	12	█	10	█	5	█
35-39 years	█	6	█	6	█	2	█
40-44 years	█	0	█	0	█	0	█
45-49 years	█	10	█	10	█	2	█

Incidence rate – further analysis of CVST + other TE – 50+ years

Age group	Estimated number of first doses in UK (1,000,000s)	Total number of cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Exc. unlikely cases	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Number of fatal cases (inc. unlikely)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
50-54 years	█	5	█	3	█	2	█
55-59 years	█	11	█	9	█	1	█
60-64 years	█	8	█	7	█	1	█
65-69 years	█	6	█	6	█	2	█
70-74 years	█	4	█	4	█	1	█
75-79 years	█	2	█	1	█	0	█

Benefit calculations: approach

Vaccine effectiveness estimates:

- Against being a **case** (any case, and a long COVID case) = [REDACTED]
- Against **hospitalisation** = [REDACTED]
- Against **ICU/HDU admission** = [REDACTED]
- Against **death** = [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Cases and long COVID

Age band	NNV case (VE=60%)	NNV long COVID case* (VE=60%)	Cases prevented per million	Long COVID cases prevented per million
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Benefits and risks (CVST + other TE)

Age group	Hospitalisations prevented (per 1 million doses)	ICU/HDU prevented (per 1 million doses)	Case incidence rate (per 1 million doses)	Mortality prevented (per 1 million courses)	Fatal incidence rate (per 1 million doses)
15-19 years	■	■	■	■	■
20-24 years			■	■	■
25-29 years	■	■	■	■	■
30-34 years			■	■	■
35-39 years			■	■	■
40-44 years			■	■	■
45-49 years	■	■	■	■	■

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20-24 years			■	■	■
25-29 years	■	■	■	■	■
30-34 years			■	■	■
35-39 years			■	■	■
40-44 years	■	■	■	■	■
45-49 years			■	■	■

Modelling (



Questions to the CHM

1. Based on the evidence presented does the CHM consider the benefit:risk remains favourable for patients older than 40 years of age ?
2. Does the CHM consider there might be an increased risk for the second dose of the vaccine?
3. Does the CHM consider there to be sufficient evidence to advise on the risk in pregnant women?
4. Does the CHM consider there might be a risk in children associated with the vaccine with regards to the ongoing trials for AZ vaccine in patients aged 6 to less than 18 years?
5. Does the CHM have further comments on the benefit risk information to be provided to vaccine recipients ?