

DEPART- Duloxetine vs Pregabalin for opioid unresponsive cancer- related neuropathic pain

"Nerve pain can be debilitating and we are hoping to find the best treatment. We have a trial that looks at 2 different medication for nerve pain. Would like to know more about it?"

What does the study involve?

1) Patient are randomly assigned to a group who will receive either



Group 1
Duloxetine



Group 2
Pregabalin

2) AKPS 50.

3) Neuropathic pain on LANNS 12 or greater.

4) Taking stable regular analgesics and any type of regular adjuvant analgesic within 72 hours before commencing on the study. Short acting and rapid onset breakthrough-opioids as needed may be used up to 4 doses/day and still be considered "stable".

5) Not taking Gabapentinoids or Duloxetine for any reason within 2 weeks.

6) Study length - take medication for 2 weeks (Day 14).

7) Assessment in hospital on Day 3, Day 7, Day 14.

8) End of study treatment (Optional face to face, Zoom or by telephone).

9) Telephone follow-up on Day 21.

Further information

- CPC nurses to discuss, assess and identify patient.
- To refer to COMET team at 0403 210 478.
- COMET Team screen eligibility and discuss with patient, facilitate process to link to trial centres and further discussion on their eligibility with Clinical Trial Team (who will follow-up, if required).