

# 研究者手册中安全性参考信息撰写 技术指导原则

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## I. Overview

Reference Safety Information (RSI) is usually an expectation in the Investigator's Brochure (IB)

List of serious adverse reactions. Sponsors should evaluate clinical trial periods based on RSI

All suspected serious adverse reactions occurring during the period are expected.

This guiding principle is intended to guide the development of approved drugs (including traditional Chinese medicine, chemical drugs and biologics) clinical trials of RSI in IB. Apply these guidelines

If so, please also refer to the International Conference on Technical Coordination for the Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use.

International Council for Harmonisation of Technical

Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use, ICH E2A

Management of Clinical Safety Data: Expedited Reporting Definitions and Standards", "E2F: Research and Development "Period Security Update Report" guidelines, etc.

This guideline only represents the current views and understanding of the drug regulatory authorities and does not It is legally binding. With the progress of scientific research, this guideline

The relevant content in the rules will be continuously improved and updated. These guidelines provide guidance for writing safe

General considerations for sexual reference information do not cover all situations. If there is any failure to explain

If you have any clear and personalized questions, you can communicate with the Drug Evaluation Center.

## 2. Contents of safety reference information

### (1) Expected serious adverse reactions

Expected serious adverse reactions for completed and ongoing drug clinical trials

Serious adverse events that occurred at least once during the trial and were fully approved by the sponsor

and after comprehensive evaluation, there is reasonable evidence to confirm a causal relationship with the experimental drug,

For example, by comparing the frequency of serious adverse events in clinical trials, or comparing individual cases

An adequate assessment of reported causal relationships is carried out. It is expected based solely on pharmacological properties that

Adverse reactions that may occur but have not been observed with the investigational drug are not expected

Adverse reactions can be found in other sections of the IB (e.g. "Effects in Humans" or "Data").

Summary and Researcher's Guide").

In general, a single suspected serious adverse reaction is not sufficient

List RSI unless there is compelling evidence based on the sponsor's medical judgment that

In fact, there is a clear causal relationship with the experimental drug, and relevant supporting evidence must be provided.

according to. Furthermore, not all suspected serious adverse reactions that occur more than once can be

The inclusion of RSI as an expected serious adverse reaction requires full and complete conduct by the sponsor.

Comprehensive assessment, while increasing expected serious adverse reactions and providing relevant supporting evidence

according to.

Considering that there are currently multiple causal relationship evaluation methods, it is allowed to use one or

Various methods are used to evaluate the adverse events occurring in clinical trials and whether the experimental drugs

There is a causal relationship. According to ICH E2A, adverse drug reactions are

There is at least a reasonable possibility of an adverse event, i.e. a causal relationship cannot be ruled out. because

Therefore, "possibly unrelated" causal relationships should be evaluated with caution. If the researcher cannot determine

To determine whether the adverse event is related to the investigational drug (i.e., "unevaluable"), the sponsor should

Communicate with and encourage researchers to assess relevance. If the judgment result is still

However, as "unevaluable", the serious adverse event should be considered to be related to the investigational drug.

and reported as suspected and unexpected serious adverse reactions (Suspected Unexpected

Serious Adverse Reaction, SUSAR). However, if it does not support the "Unable to comment"

Serious adverse events that are "priced" are included in the RSI as expected serious adverse events.

(2) Fatal and/or life-threatening serious adverse reactions

In general, sponsors should not expect that an investigational drug will cause death and/or

Serious life-threatening adverse reactions. Therefore, even if there has been a previous fatality and/or

Serious life-threatening adverse reactions that are generally considered unexpected. But already

Serious adverse reactions that may lead to death are stated in the package inserts of marketed drugs as expected.

Serious adverse reactions. Therefore, for investigational drugs that are not yet on the market, the RSI does not

Serious adverse reactions leading to death should be included.

If the RSI contains expected serious adverse reactions that are fatal and/or life-threatening

Yes, the number and frequency of such serious adverse reactions should be listed separately in the list.

Rate. Other suspected serious adverse events that are considered unexpected and fatal and/or life-threatening

Responses can be found in the IB section "Effects in Humans" or "Data Summary and Guidance for Investigators"

chapter.

(3) Situations considered unexpected due to specificity and/or severity

The use of Common Terminology Standards for Adverse Events in RSI is not mandatory

Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events, CTCAE

Perform severity rating. However, if there are suspected serious adverse reactions in individual case reports,

The specificity and/or severity of the reaction is different from the serious adverse reactions expected in the RSI,

That is, suspected serious adverse reactions are more specific than expected serious adverse reactions in the RSI and/or are of higher severity, the suspected serious adverse reaction is considered unexpected (see Table 1).

Table 1 Examples of SUSAR and reasons for reporting

Strict values listed in RSI	in case reports	due to specificity and/or severity
Serious adverse reactions	Suspected serious adverse reactions	Unexpected
acute renal failure	interstitial nephritis	specificity
hepatitis	Fulminant hepatitis	severity
cerebrovascular accident	cerebral thromboembolism	specificity
Exfoliative dermatitis	Stevens-Johnson syndrome	Severity and specificity
Liver function test values	Liver function test values	severity
transient increase	Increases last for several months	
hypertension	hypertensive crisis	severity
Herpes Zoster Multiple	Skin Bands herpes	severity
sepsis	septic shock	severity
supraventricular arrhythmia	atrial fibrillation	specificity

NOTE: The examples above only illustrate more specific and/or severe situations.

Preferred Term, Preferred Term for expected serious adverse reactions other than RSI

PTyy

If a suspected serious adverse reaction occurs more frequently than expected in the RSI

The frequency of adverse reactions, suspected serious adverse reactions are considered unexpected.

It is recommended that trained professionals from the sponsor respond to suspected serious adverse reactions.

A medical and scientific evaluation should be conducted based on the specificity and/or severity.

(4) Safety information that should not be included in safety reference information

The following safety information should not be included in the RSI, but can be found in the IB "Personal In Vivo Actions" or "Data Summary and Guidance for Investigators" section.

For example:

(1) Adverse events that both the investigator and the sponsor believe are not related to the trial drug,

Includes serious adverse events and non-serious adverse events;

(2) Non-serious adverse reactions;

(3) Unexpected serious adverse reactions;

(4) Serious adverse reactions occurred only once, and medical-based treatment cannot be provided.

Strong evidence based on scientific judgment confirms a clear causal relationship with the experimental drug;

(5) In trial plans, death events and serious adverse events are often used as indicators of efficacy.

Endpoints, considered disease-related, are not reported as SUSAR. However, if

If the investigational drug enhances the severity of the adverse event or increases the risk of the adverse event

The frequency of occurrence should be carefully evaluated;

(6) Other drugs of the same type that are expected to occur based on pharmacological properties and have been developed

There are no serious adverse reactions that have been observed with this experimental drug.

3. Presentation form of safety reference information

(1) Location

The RSI is titled "Safety Reference Information" and is located under "Data Summary and Research  
"Researcher's Guide" chapter, or as a separate chapter in the "Data Summary and Researcher's Guide" chapter  
after.

The sponsor should clearly indicate that the RSI is for regulatory reporting purposes and summarize  
currently anticipated serious adverse effects of the investigational drug and the RSI does not provide a comprehensive overview  
Safety profile of the investigational drug.

(2) Presentation form

RSI should be presented in tabular form using the Medical Dictionary of Regulatory Activities  
"Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities, MedDRA"  
version of System Organ Class (SOC) and PT to describe  
Describe the nature of "expected serious adverse reactions". Summarize previously observed suspicious severity  
Adverse reactions, calculate their frequency. Please refer to the instruction manual for frequency of occurrence categories.  
Classification of frequency of adverse reactions (e.g. very common, common, rare, etc.). when  
The number of subjects exposed to the investigational drug is too small to classify or observe  
When the number of expected serious adverse reactions is small, each "expected serious adverse reaction" should be provided.  
number of adverse reactions" and the number of exposed subjects (see Table 2).

RSI can include serious adverse reactions observed after marketing, but they occur frequently.  
The rate should not be entered as "Unknown". Since it is impossible to know the true frequency of occurrence after listing  
category, therefore the number of reports for each serious adverse reaction should be provided, and may also be



Methods in the Guidelines for Spontaneously Reported Adverse Reactions provide frequency categories (see Table 1

2)

**Table 2** Expected serious adverse reactions of investigational drugs for safety reporting purposes

SOC	Number of subjects exposed to SARs (N) = 328	All SARs cause death		
		life threatening	SARs1	SARs1
		n (%)	n (%)	n (%)
Gastrointestinal system disease sick	Intestinal perforation	9 (2.7)	3 (0.9)	6 (1.8)
Various tests for alanine and ammonia base transferase rise	aspartate	12 (3.6)	THAT	THAT
	acid transamination Elevated transferase	9 (2.7)	THAT	THAT
heart disease sick	Myocarditis	33 (10.0)	NA	2 (0.6)
	Bradycardia (rare)	2	NA	THAT

Note: SOC system organ classification; SARs serious adverse reactions; n occurrence

Number of subjects for SAR; NA not applicable

Note 1: In special circumstances, if the investigational drug is considered to be lethal and/or

Expected serious adverse reactions that are life-threatening should be clearly listed in the table. other

Unexpected fatal and/or life-threatening serious adverse reactions (line), you can fill in "No

applicable" and indicate in a footnote unexpected fatal and/or life-threatening serious

Adverse reactions can be found in other chapters of the IB. If the trial drug is not considered fatal

and/or expected life-threatening serious adverse reactions, then the text portion of the RSI

Indicated separately, the corresponding columns do not need to be listed in the table.

Note 2: Bradycardia is derived from post-marketing safety information and is based on self-reported

Frequency categories are provided using methods in the Guidelines for Reporting Adverse Effects.

If the sponsor is testing the investigational drug for a different indication (e.g., oncology,

non-oncology diseases) or clinical development in different populations (e.g., adults, children), if

The expected serious adverse reactions are different, and the RSI should be listed separately by indication or population.

### (3) Terms for expected serious adverse reactions

Expected serious adverse reactions should not use broad medical terms or non-specific

terms such as "rash," "infection," or "arrhythmia." MedDRA should be used

PT, such as exfoliative dermatitis, urticaria, herpes zoster, infectious pneumonia, pus

Toxicity, atrial fibrillation. If the PT in the RSI contains multiple Lowest Level terms

Term, LLT), multiple LLTs are considered expected (such as RSI including PT Low Ph

acidemia, LLT hypophosphatemia is also expected). Known immunosuppression

drugs may cause infections, but all types of infections cannot be expected

of. Unless the RSI lists PT for a specific infection type, it should be considered non-preventive

Expect.

Synonymous medical terms refer to the same medical phenomenon if RSI contains a term slang, other synonymous medical terms are considered expected. But for the same medical phenomenon of different types, such as different types of rashes, namely common rash, maculopapular rash, pimple For exanthematous rash, pustular rash, etc., specific PT must be used.

(4) Safety reference information for expected serious adverse reactions has not yet been found

In some cases, the investigational drug may not be expected to cause any serious adverse effects adverse reactions (e.g., in the early stages of clinical development of an investigational drug, a relatively large number of subjects are exposed (less time), but there should still be a separate RSI section in the IB, which can be a paragraph A brief description explaining how to quickly report SUSAR to regulatory authorities and what is under development Development Safety Update Report, SUSAR is identified in the "Cumulative Summary Table of Serious Adverse Reactions" of DSUR, cut-off So far, the sponsor believes that no expected serious adverse reactions have been found.

#### 4. Applicable versions of security reference information

The current version of RSI when a suspected serious adverse reaction occurs should be used to judge its prognosis. Periodicity. Follow-up reports use the same version of the RSI as the initial report, and the sponsor does not SUSAR should be downgraded based on the updated RSI.

#### 5. Changes to security reference information

If the RSI changes during drug clinical trials, the sponsor shall follow the regulations determined, fully evaluated the impact on the safety of the subjects, and determined that the safety of the subjects would not be affected

, can be implemented directly and reported in the DSUR.

IB's RSI can be updated annually in accordance with the DSUR's annual reporting cycle.

To identify SUSAR in the "Cumulative Summary of Serious Adverse Reactions" in the DSUR,

Sponsors should use the current version of the RSI at the beginning of the annual reporting period.

In some circumstances, the sponsor or regulatory authority may deem urgent updates necessary

Safety information in the new IB can be found in other sections of the IB (such as

or "Data Summary and Guidance for Investigators") to provide urgent updates to safety information.

Changes in RSI may be considered when preparing and writing the DSUR (for SUSAR

analysis and evaluation) rather than multiple updates during the reporting cycle.

#### 6. Quality management system for safety reference information

The sponsor should clarify the implementation and change management procedures of RSI (including but not limited to

in clear change management and traceability processes, implementation time of RSI, etc.) and retain

Relevant documentation. In addition, the impact of updates to MedDRA versions on RSI products should be evaluated.

impact on life.

#### 7. For safety reference information, please refer to the adverse reactions in the drug inserts on the market.

corresponding situation

RSI of clinical trials of drugs marketed overseas and unmarketed domestically, if the indications

It is consistent with the indications approved overseas. Please refer to the strict instructions in the package inserts of the marketed drugs.

Serious adverse reactions. If the indications are different from those approved overseas or have been listed in China

If new indications are added to municipal drugs, if the sponsor still uses the approved indications

Serious adverse reactions in the book are regarded as RSI, and their rationality should be explained.

For generic drugs/biosimilar drugs, if there is evidence that they are similar to the reference drug,

For consistency/biosimilarity, please refer to the RSI of the reference drug.

#### 8. Safety reference information for combined medication

In combination clinical trials, the sponsor can base the same

Develop a new RSI based on experience with active drug combinations, or refer to the RSI of each single drug.

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Example: This example is only a presentation form of RSI, and the sponsor may adjust the relevant content and format as appropriate based on the guidelines.

Security reference information

This chapter/section only outlines the requirements for expeditiously reporting SUSAR to regulatory authorities and For the purpose of identifying SUSAR in the "Cumulative Summary Table of Serious Adverse Reactions" of the DSUR expected serious adverse reactions and did not provide a comprehensive overview of the safety profile of Investigational Drug Symptoms, see Chapter X for more safety information.

All fatal and life-threatening serious adverse reactions to Investigational Drug

If not expected, it will be submitted as SUSAR.

Table 1 Expected serious adverse reactions of investigational drug X for safety reporting purposes

answer

SOC	Frequency of SARs occurrence	Rate Category 1	Number of subjects exposed
			328
			All SARs
			n (%)
Gastrointestinal system systemic diseases	Intestinal perforation	common	9 (2.7)
Various inspections check	Alanine transamination	common	12 (3.6)
	Elevated enzymes		
	aspartate amino Elevated transferase	common	9 (2.7)
Cardiac myocarditis is very common	33 (10.0)		

organ disease		See	
	Bradycardia is rare		(rare) 3

SOC system organ classification; SARs serious adverse reactions; n occurrence

Number of subjects with SAR

Note 1: Occurrence frequency category: very common ( $\geq 1/10$ ); common ( $\geq 1/100$  to  $< 1/10$ ); occasionally ( $\geq 1/1,000$  to  $< 1/100$ ); rare ( $\geq 1/10,000$  to  $< 1/1,000$ ); very rare ( $< 1/10,000$ ).

2: Includes Study 1, Study 2....

3: Bradycardia is derived from post-marketing safety information and is not based on spontaneous reports.

Methods in the Adverse Reaction Guidelines provide frequency of occurrence categories.

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Based on global security database.