

Lupus: Peptide P140/Lupuzor™ effectiveness confirmed

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A clinical trial with 149 patients suffering from the very disabling autoimmune disease systemic lupus erythematosus, has shown the effectiveness of a synthetic peptide developed by a team of researchers led by CNRS biologist Sylviane Muller at the Institut de Biologie Moleculaire (IBMC) in Strasbourg, France.

The peptide, known as P140/Lupuzor™, is well tolerated by patients and leads to regression of the disease.

Under the CNRS patent, ImmuPharma-France, which funded the trial, has an exclusive license to use the peptide.

Now the final phase of clinical tests should soon confirm these results and contribute to the development of a drug without the side effects of existing treatments, which use cortico-steroids and immunosuppressants.

These results are published online in the [Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases](#).

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