

# UKOSS

UK Obstetric Surveillance System

## Haemophagocytic Lymphohistiocytosis (HLH) or Macrophage Activation Syndrome (MAS)

02/24

Data Collection Form - CASE

Please report any woman delivering on or after the  
01/10/2024 and before 01/10/2029

### Case Definition:

Any pregnant or recently pregnant (< 6 weeks since delivery) woman with a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of haemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis (HLH) or macrophage activation syndrome (MAS).

Case ID Number:



Royal College of  
Obstetricians  
and Gynaecologists

Bringing to life the best  
in women's health care

Please return the completed form to:

[ukoss@npeu.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ukoss@npeu.ox.ac.uk)

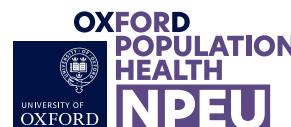
**UKOSS**

National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit  
University of Oxford, Old Road Campus, Oxford, OX3 7LF

Phone: 01865 617764 / 617774

Reporting Month: \_\_\_\_\_

Reporting Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_



## Instructions

1. Please do not enter any personally identifiable information (e.g. name, address or hospital number) on this form.
2. Please record the ID number from the front of this form against the woman's name for your own reference on the 'UKOSS - Reported cases' document.
3. Fill in the form using the information available in the woman's case notes.
4. Tick the boxes as appropriate. If you require any additional space to answer a question please use the space provided in section 7.
5. Please complete all dates in the format DD/MM/YY, and all times using the 24hr clock e.g. 18.37
6. If codes or examples are required, some lists (not exhaustive) are included on the back page of the form.
7. If the woman has not yet delivered, please complete the form as far as you are able, excluding delivery and outcome information, and return to the UKOSS Administrator. We will send these sections again for you to complete two weeks after the woman's expected date of delivery.
8. **If you do not know the answers to some questions, please indicate this in section 7.**
9. If you encounter any problems with completing the form please contact the UKOSS Administrator or use the space in section 7 to describe the problem.

### Section 1: Woman's details

- 1.1 Year of birth**
- 1.2 Ethnic group<sup>1\*</sup>** (enter code, please see back cover for guidance)
- 1.3 Was the woman in paid employment at booking?** Yes  No   
If Yes, what is her occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
If No, what is her partner's (if any) occupation \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.4 Height at booking**    cm
- 1.5 Weight at booking**    .  kg
- 1.6 Smoking status** never  gave up prior to pregnancy   
current  gave up during pregnancy
- 1.7 Vaping status** never  gave up prior to pregnancy   
current  gave up during pregnancy

FOR  
OFFICE USE  
ONLY

### Section 2: Previous Obstetric History

- 2.1 Gravity**  
Number of completed pregnancies beyond 24 weeks    
Number of pregnancies less than 24 weeks    
If no previous pregnancies, please go to section 3.
- 2.2 Did the woman have any previous pregnancy problems?\*** Yes  No   
If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.3 Are the woman's parents first degree relatives?** Yes  No

FOR  
OFFICE USE  
ONLY

\*For guidance please see back cover

### Section 3: Previous Medical History

#### 3.1 Has the woman ever had any of the following diagnoses/conditions?

Malignancy Yes  No

If Yes, please specify type(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Severe infection and/or Sepsis Yes  No

If Yes, please specify principal infection site \_\_\_\_\_

**AND**

Organism \_\_\_\_\_

Autoimmune rheumatic disease Yes  No

(eg. systemic lupus erythematosus, adult onset Still's disease, juvenile idiopathic arthritis)

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Previous admission to critical care Yes  No

If Yes, what was the reason for admission? \_\_\_\_\_

HLH or MAS? Yes  No

#### 3.2 Did the woman have any other pre-existing medical problems?<sup>3\*</sup> Yes No

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 4: This Pregnancy

#### 4.1 Final Estimated Date of Birth (EDB)?<sup>4\*</sup>

/   /

4.2 Was this a multiple pregnancy? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify number of fetuses

4.3 Were there any problems in this pregnancy?<sup>2\*</sup> Yes  No

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4.4 Were any of the following conditions felt to have contributed to the woman's HLH and/or noted to be active during the pregnancy?

Malignancy Yes  No

If Yes, please specify type(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Severe infection and/or Sepsis Yes  No

If Yes, please specify principal infection site \_\_\_\_\_

**AND**

Organism \_\_\_\_\_

Autoimmune rheumatic disease Yes  No

(eg. systemic lupus erythematosus, adult onset Still's disease, juvenile idiopathic arthritis)

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

HIV Yes  No

Other Yes  No

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

4.5 What date and time did the woman present with symptoms?

DD / MM / YY hh : mm  
24hr

4.6 What date and time was the diagnosis of HLH/MAS made?

DD / MM / YY hh : mm  
24hr

4.7 Which of the following diagnostic criteria for HLH/MAS did the woman have at time of diagnosis?

**Criteria**

**Known underlying immunosuppression** (e.g., HIV positive, or receiving long-term immunosuppressive therapy)

Yes  No

**Maximum temperature**

< 38.4 °C

38.4-39.4 °C

> 39.4 °C

Not known

**Organomegaly**

No organomegaly

Hepatomegaly or splenomegaly

Hepatomegaly and splenomegaly

Not known

**Number of cytopaenias**

(i.e., Hb  $\leq$  92 g/L, platelets  $\leq$  110 x 10<sup>9</sup> /L, white cell count  $\leq$  5)

1 lineage

2 lineages

3 lineages

Not known

**Ferritin**

< 2000  $\mu$ g/L

2000-6000  $\mu$ g/L

> 6000  $\mu$ g/L

Not known

**Triglycerides**

< 1.5 mmol/L

1.5-4 mmol/L

> 4 mmol/L

Not known

**Fibrinogen**

$\leq$  2.5g/L

> 2.5 g/L

Not known

continues overleaf

**Criteria**

**Serum aspartate aminotransferase (AST) or serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT)**

< 30 IU/L

≥ 30 IU/L

Not known

**Haemophagocytosis features on bone marrow aspirate**

Yes  No

Not known

**4.8 Was the woman assigned an HScore (a diagnostic score derived from diagnostic criteria<sup>8</sup>) when making the diagnosis?**

Yes  No

If Yes, please give the score:

**4.9 Did any of the following symptoms, physical signs or organ defects affect the woman during the course of her illness with HLH/MAS? (please tick all that apply)**

Fever <input type="checkbox"/>	Skin rash <input type="checkbox"/>	Lymphadenopathy <input type="checkbox"/>
Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/>	Diarrhoea <input type="checkbox"/>	Hypotension (blood pressure <90/60mmHg) <input type="checkbox"/>
Confusion and/or delirium <input type="checkbox"/>	Hypoxia (oxygen saturation <94%) <input type="checkbox"/>	Tachycardia (heart rate >100bpm) <input type="checkbox"/>
Kidney failure support (eg. Haemodialysis, haemofiltration) <input type="checkbox"/>	Respiratory failure support (eg. O <sub>2</sub> , intubation, NIV) <input type="checkbox"/>	None <input type="checkbox"/>

**4.10 Please provide the following levels during the course of the woman's illness (from symptom onset) with HLH/MAS (indicate if not tested)**

Test	Result	Date	Not tested
Haemoglobin (lowest level)	_____ g/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creatinine (highest level)	_____ mmol/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C-reactive protein (highest level)	_____ mg/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Procalcitonin (highest level)	_____ ng/mL	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urea (highest level)	_____ mmol/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Platelet count (lowest level)	_____ x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neutrophil (lowest level)	_____ x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neutrophil (highest level)	_____ x10 <sup>9</sup> /L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

continues overleaf

Test	Result	Date	Not tested
Fibrinogen (lowest level)	_____ g/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soluble CD25 (highest level)	_____ U/ml	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rheumatoid factor (give titer)	_____	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serum triglycerides (highest level)	_____ mmol/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serum ferritin (highest level)	_____ ng/mL	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serum ALT or AST or SGOT (highest level)	_____ iu/L	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anti-nuclear antibodies (state if positive or negative and titres)	_____ / _____	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any positive autoantibodies (eg. Positive anti-Ro, anti-La, anti-RNO, anti-Sm, anti-dsDNA, anti-Jo1, anti-centromere, anti-cardiolipin IgG/IgM, anti-beta2glycoprotein 1 IgM/IgG, lupus anticoagulant)	List positive results: _____ _____ _____ _____	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Microbiology

4.11 Were there any microbiologically confirmed infections? Yes  No

If Yes, please indicate

**Microbiologically confirmed infections**

**If Yes, please specify organism and site**

Bacterial	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Organism: _____ Site: _____
-----------	--	--------------------------------

Viral	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Organism: _____ Site: _____
-------	--	--------------------------------

Fungal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Organism: _____ Site: _____
--------	--	--------------------------------

4.12 Did the woman have any imaging? Yes  No

If Yes, what was the type of scan? (please tick all that apply)

CT scan  MRI scan  Echocardiogram

If Yes, were there any abnormal findings on imaging?

If Yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**4.13 Was a bone marrow aspirate performed?** Yes  No

**If Yes,** was there evidence of another condition from the bone marrow biopsy? Yes  No

**If Yes,** please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**4.14 Were genetic studies performed?** Yes  No

**If Yes,** was there an identified gene mutation? Yes  No

**If Yes,** please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**4.15 Please indicate which of the following treatments the woman received from symptom onset**

**Anti-infective drugs**

**Steroids**

Antibiotics Yes  No

Dexamethasone Yes  No

Antifungal Yes  No

Hydrocortisone Yes  No

Antivirals Yes  No

Prednisolone (inc methylprednisolone) Yes  No

**Cytotoxics**

**Others**

Cyclophosphamide Yes  No

Anakinra Yes  No

Cyclosporin Yes  No

Immunoglobulins Yes  No

Doxorubicin Yes  No

Rituximab Yes  No

Etoposide Yes  No

Tocilizumab Yes  No

Methotrexate Yes  No

Vincristine Yes  No

**4.16 Were any other drugs or agents used to treat the HLH/MAS?** Yes  No

**If Yes,** please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**4.17 Was the woman referred for bone marrow transplantation?** Yes  No

## Section 5: Delivery

5.1 Did this woman have a miscarriage?

Yes  No 

If Yes, please specify date

D D / M M / Y Y

5.2 Did this woman have a termination of pregnancy?

Yes  No 

If Yes, please specify date

D D / M M / Y Y

*If Yes to 5.1 or 5.2, please now complete sections 6a, 7 and 8.*

5.3 Is this woman still undelivered?

Yes  No 

If Yes, will she be receiving the rest of her antenatal care from your hospital?

Yes  No 

If No, please indicate name of hospital providing future care:

---

Will she be delivered at your hospital?

Yes  No 

If No, please indicate name of delivery hospital, then go to Section 7

---

5.4 Was delivery induced?

Yes  No 

If Yes, please state indication

Was vaginal prostaglandin used?

Yes  No 

5.5 Did the woman labour?

Yes  No 

If Yes, please provide date of onset of labour

D D / M M / Y Y

5.6 Was delivery by caesarean section?

Yes  No 

If Yes, please state

Grade of urgency<sup>5\*</sup>

Indication for caesarean section

Method of anaesthesia:

Regional General anaesthetic 

5.7 What was the date and time of childbirth?

D D / M M / Y Y h h : m m  
24hr

5.8 Mode of birth

Spontaneous vaginal  Ventouse  Forceps  Breech Pre-labour caesarean section  Caesarean section after onset of labour



## Section 6: Outcomes

## Section 6a: Woman

6a.1 Was the woman admitted to ITU (critical care level 3)? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify:

Duration of stay   days

Or Tick if woman is still in ITU (critical care level 3)

Or Tick if woman was transferred to another hospital

6a.2 Did any other major maternal morbidity occur?<sup>6\*</sup> Yes  No

If Yes, please specify

6a.3 Did the woman die? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date of death   /   /

What was the primary cause of death as stated on the death certificate?

(Please state if not known)

Was a post mortem examination undertaken? Yes  No  Not known

If Yes, did the examination confirm the certified cause of death/diagnosis? Yes  No  Not known

## Section 6b: Infant 1

**NB:** If more than one infant, for each additional infant, please photocopy the infant section of the form (**before filling it in**) and attach extra sheet(s) or download extra copies of the form.

6b.1 Birthweight     g

6b.3 Sex of infant Male  Female  Indeterminate

6b.4 Was the infant stillborn? Yes  No

If Yes, was this Ante-partum  OR Intra-partum

If Yes, go to section 7

6b.5 5 min Apgar

6b.6 Was the infant admitted to the neonatal unit? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify details

6b.7 Did any other major infant complications occur?<sup>7\*</sup> Yes  No

If Yes, please specify details

6b.8 Did this infant die? Yes  No

If Yes, please specify date of death   /   /

What was the primary cause of death as stated on the death certificate?

(Please state if not known)



## Definitions

### 1. UK Census Coding for ethnic group

#### WHITE

01. English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British
02. Irish
03. Gypsy or Irish Traveller
04. Roma
05. Any other white background

#### MIXED

06. White and black Caribbean
07. White and black African
08. White and Asian
09. Any other mixed or multiple ethnic background

#### ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH

10. Indian
11. Pakistani
12. Bangladeshi
13. Chinese
14. Any other Asian background

#### BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH

15. Caribbean
16. African
17. Any other black, black British or Caribbean background

#### OTHER ETHNIC GROUP

18. Arab
19. Any other ethnic group

### 2. Previous or current pregnancy problems, including:

- 3 or more miscarriages
- Amniocentesis
- Baby with a major congenital abnormality
- Gestational diabetes
- Haemorrhage
- Hyperemesis requiring admission
- Infant requiring intensive care
- Neonatal death
- Placenta praevia
- Placental abruption
- Post-partum haemorrhage requiring transfusion
- Pre-eclampsia (hypertension and proteinuria)
- Premature rupture of membranes
- Preterm birth or mid trimester loss
- Puerperal psychosis
- Thrombotic event
- Severe infection e.g. pyelonephritis
- Stillbirth
- Surgical procedure in pregnancy

### 3. Previous or pre-existing maternal medical problems, including:

- Cardiac disease (congenital or acquired)
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy
- Endocrine disorders e.g. hypo or hyperthyroidism
- Essential hypertension

- Haematological disorders e.g. sickle cell disease, diagnosed thrombophilia
- Inflammatory disorders e.g. inflammatory bowel disease
- Psychiatric disorders
- Renal disease

### 4. Estimated date of birth (EDB):

Use the best estimate (ultrasound scan or date of last menstrual period) based on a 40 week gestation

### 5. RCA/RCOG/CEMACH/CNST Classification for urgency of caesarean section:

1. Immediate threat to life of woman or fetus
2. Maternal or fetal compromise which is not immediately life-threatening
3. Needing early delivery but no maternal or fetal compromise
4. At a time to suit the woman and maternity team

### 6. Major maternal morbidity, including:

- Adult respiratory distress syndrome
- Cardiac arrest
- Cerebrovascular accident
- Disseminated intravascular coagulopathy
- HELLP
- Mendelson's syndrome
- Persistent vegetative state
- Renal failure
- Required ventilation
- Septicaemia
- Thrombotic event

### 7. Fetal/infant complications, including:

- Chronic lung disease
- Exchange transfusion
- Intraventricular haemorrhage
- Jaundice requiring phototherapy
- Major congenital anomaly
- Necrotising enterocolitis
- Neonatal encephalopathy
- Respiratory distress syndrome
- Severe infection e.g. septicaemia, meningitis

### 8. HLH Diagnostic Criteria/HScore:

- Fever >38.5 deg C
- Splenomegaly
- Peripheral blood cytopaenia affecting >2 of 3 lineages:
  - Hb <90g/L; Platelet <100x10<sup>9</sup>, Neutropaenia <1x10<sup>9</sup> micro/L
- Hypertriglyceridaemia and/or hypofibrinogenaemia
  - fasting triglycerides >3.0 mmol/L (>265 mg/dl) OR fibrinogen <1.5 g.L
- Haemophagocytosis in bone marrow, spleen or lymph nodes
- Low or absent NK activity (using local laboratory reference ranges)
- Ferritin >500 ug/L
- Soluble CD25 (ie. soluble 1L-2 receptor) >2,400 U/ml