

# Pre-operative oral supplementation in colorectal cancer patients

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<http://cancerhelp.cancerresearchuk.org/trials/a-trial-looking-food-supplement-drinks-people-bowel-cancer-related-weight-loss-posicc>

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## Additional identifiers

### Protocol serial number

101

# Study information

## Scientific Title

A randomised controlled trial for Pre-operative Oral Supplementation in Colorectal Cancer patients

## Acronym

POSiCC

## Study objectives

Do oral nutritional supplements and dietary advice compared to dietary advice alone improve clinical outcomes in weight losing colorectal cancer patients?

Are oral supplements and dietary advice cost effective for weight losing colorectal cancer patients compared to dietary advice alone?

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

NRES Committee- North West Liverpool East, 15 March 2012, ref: 12/NM/0208

## Study design

Pragmatic randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Colorectal cancer

## Interventions

The intervention will be in the form of an oral supplement, if patients can tolerate milky drinks Fortisip Compact® (Nutricia Clinical Care) will be used. Patients will be offered a minimum of 250mls of supplement daily (2.4Kcals or 10.1KJ and 0.096g of protein per ml).

If patients cannot tolerate milky drinks they will be offered Fortijuce® as an alternative (Nutricia Clinical Care) and asked to consume 400mls of supplement per day (1.5Kcals or 6.3KJ and 0.04g protein per ml, Fortijuce®).

Patients will be started on the sip feed at the point of diagnosis of a colorectal tumour and when surgery is considered likely to be the treatment option. It is anticipated that the patients will receive the oral supplement for a minimum of two weeks and a maximum of 12 weeks. Patients will be asked to take the supplement up until they are placed on the preoperative carbohydrate drinks prior to surgery.

Patients randomised will either be given dietary advice or oral supplements and dietary advice. The dietary advice will be to increase calories and protein in the diet. Patients will be given a diet sheet on increasing energy and protein in the diet. This advice is appropriate for weight losing patients preoperatively.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Fortisip Compact® , Fortijuice®

**Primary outcome(s)**

Number of postoperative chest and surgical site infections after CRC surgery, measured from patient medical records reviewed within 30 days after surgery.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

As of 17/03/2016:

1. Total complications measured up to 30 days postoperatively

2. Anthropometry

3. Body composition and dietary intake

Measured at baseline, 2-3 days preoperatively (where possible) and 7-10 days postoperatively (where possible).

Initial

1. Anthropometry height, weight, body mass index, mid arm circumference (MAC) and skin fold thickness

2. Hand grip strength

3. Co-morbidities

4. 24 hour recalls to assess energy and protein

5. Hospital anxiety and depression score

Measured at baseline, 24 hours preoperatively, 7 days post-operatively and at 3 months

**Completion date**

30/12/2013

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

1. Reported weight loss over the previous 6 months

2. Primary colorectal tumour, eligible for curative surgery

3. Informed consent gained

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Pregnant or enrolled in another trial
2. Pacemaker and any metallic implant will preclude individuals from bioelectrical impedance monitoring
3. Cannot give informed consent

**Date of first enrolment**

10/10/2012

**Date of final enrolment**

22/01/2015

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

**Study participating centre**

Room 6.308

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**

University of Manchester (UK)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/027m9bs27>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Charity

**Funder Name**

Macmillan Cancer Care (UK)

## Results and Publications

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan****IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/06/2017		Yes	No
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes
<a href="#">Plain English results</a>				No	Yes