

# The influence of venous impulse foot pumps on pin tract infections: A prospective randomised controlled trial

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**Recruitment status**  
No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☐ Protocol

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**Overall study status**  
Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☐ Results

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Infections and Infestations

☐ Individual participant data

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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### Type(s)

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

## Study information

### Scientific Title

The influence of venous impulse foot pumps on pin tract infections: A prospective randomised controlled trial

### Study objectives

Does the use of foot pumps reduce:

1. The incidence of pin tract sepsis?
2. The morbidity of established infection?

### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

### Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

### Study design

A prospective randomised controlled trial

### Primary study design

Interventional

### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Hospital

### Study type(s)

Quality of life

### Participant information sheet

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

Infections and Infestations: Pin tract infections

### Interventions

A prospective randomised controlled trial/case note review. Randomise patients with external fixators to two groups - 1. with and 2. without foot pump. A minimum period of 72 h of foot pump usage is aimed at to see any changes. As well as this, both groups will have the normal routine of treatment and prevention of infection at the pin sites. This is already in place. They are followed up till their usual first clinic visit to observe effect on the pin site.

### Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure**

Establishment of status of pin site as infected or not infected on clinical examination both at discharge and first clinic visit.

**Secondary outcome measures**

Not provided at time of registration

**Overall study start date**

27/05/2002

**Completion date**

27/05/2003

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

All adult patients admitted to the orthopaedic wards with an external fixator to the lower limb. Patients would have to have had a fresh procedure and should have had the external fixator applied during the current admission.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

Not provided at time of registration

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

27/05/2002

**Date of final enrolment**

27/05/2003

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

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**Sponsor type**  
Government

**Website**  
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## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**  
Industry

**Funder Name**  
Huntleigh Healthcare (UK)

## **Results and Publications**

**Publication and dissemination plan**  
Not provided at time of registration

**Intention to publish date**

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

**IPD sharing plan summary**  
Not provided at time of registration