

# The role of exercise in metabolism and quality of life after pancreatectomy

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## Plain English summary of protocol

### Background and study aims

There are no studies that provide sufficient information on how exercise can influence the quality of patient's life after resection (removal) of the pancreas due to pancreatic disease, such as cancer. The aim of this study is to find out whether exercise can help in controlling blood glucose levels and oxidative stress after pancreatectomy (surgery to remove the pancreas).

### Who can participate?

Adult patients with pancreatic cancer that are fit for surgery.

### What does the study involve?

The participants are randomly allocated into one of two groups. All participants have a pancreatectomy. The participants in the exercise group exercise using a static bicycle for 12 weeks. The participants in the control group do not exercise. Blood glucose, HBA1c (glycated haemoglobin, which is a form of haemoglobin that is measured to identify average plasma glucose concentrations in the blood), albumin and the uric acid levels for all participants in both groups are measured every 4 weeks for the duration of the study.

### What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

There are no risks for the participants.

### Where is the study run from?

Agios Dimitrios General Hospital (under the control of Aristotle University Thessaloniki)

### When is study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

May 2014 to June 2016

### Who is funding the study?

Agios Dimitrios General Hospital (Greece)

### Who is the main contact?

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

02/pancreas/05.2014

# Study information

## Scientific Title

The influence of exercise on blood glucose control and the anti-oxidative ability of the blood in patients after pancreatectomy: a randomized controlled trial

## Acronym

EQAP (Exercise and Quality of life After Pancreatectomy)

## Study objectives

The aim of this study is to investigate whether pancreatectomy helps to control blood glucose after exercise, improves the anti-oxidative ability of the blood in patients and improves patient quality of life.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

**Study design**

Interventional single-centre, randomized 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**

Not available in web format, please use contact details to request a participant information sheet

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

Pancreatic disease, mainly neoplastic tumors of the pancreas

**Interventions**

Participants are randomly allocated to one of two groups, the intervention group and the control group.

Both groups will undergo a pancreatectomy. The surgical procedure will be open and according to the location of the tumor the patient will undergo a Longmire Traverso/Whipple operation (pancreatoduodenectomy) or distal pancreatectomy with or without preservation of the spleen. Four weeks after the operation the participants in the intervention group will start to exercise, which involves 30 minutes on a static bicycle (60% of maximum heart rate) for 12 weeks. The participants in the control group do not start to exercise.

**Intervention Type**

Mixed

**Primary outcome measure**

Measurement of blood glucose levels, HBA1c, albumin and uric acid, 12 weeks after the initiation of exercise (once every 4 weeks interval)

**Secondary outcome measures**

Evaluation of the quality of life (QoL) in both groups 12 weeks after the initiation of exercise

**Overall study start date**

28/05/2014

**Completion date**

30/06/2016

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

Adult patients with pancreatic neoplasms that are fit for surgery

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Age group

Adult

## Sex

Both

## Target number of participants

40 patients

## Total final enrolment

43

## Key exclusion criteria

1. Age >75 years old
2. ASA >2
3. Non resectable pancreatic tumor (according to the guidelines)
4. Pregnancy

## Date of first enrolment

30/05/2014

## Date of final enrolment

30/06/2016

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

Greece

## Study participating centre

Agios Dimitrios General Hospital of Greece

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# Sponsor information

**Organisation**

Agios Dimitrios General Hospital scientific committee and Aristotle University Thessaloniki

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/02j61yw88>

**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**

Agios Dimitrios General Hospital

**Results and Publications****Publication and dissemination plan**

The trialists intend to publish the results immediately after the recruitment of a statistically significant number of patients and about 2 weeks later after the statistical analysis.

**Intention to publish date**

01/11/2017

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

The datasets generated during and/or analysed during the current study are/will be available upon request from Tasos Katsourakis (tasoskatsourakis@hotmail.com). Type of data that will be shared: all data will be available. When the data will be available: starting 01/10/2017. For how long: no limit. What type of analyses: demographic and surgical details, repeated measures ANOVA for the results. Consent was obtained from all participants, no ethical or legal restrictions.

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Available on request

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2019	11/01/2019	Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2020	10/06/2019	Yes	No