

# Investigating the effect of intra-operative infiltration with local anaesthesia on the development of chronic postoperative pain after inguinal hernia repair

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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NCT00484731

## Secondary identifying numbers

585

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Effect of intraoperative infiltration with local anaesthesia on the development of chronic pain after inguinal hernia repair: a randomized, triple-blinded, placebo-controlled trial.

## Study objectives

We hypothesize that intra-operative infiltration with local anaesthesia (bupivacain) will lead to 50% reduction of the occurrence of chronic postoperative pain after inguinal hernia repair.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Local Ethical Committee of the Canton Lucerne, approved on 1 May 2006, amended on 26 February 2007 (ref: 585)

## Study design

A randomized, placebo-controlled, triple-blinded and group sequential study.

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Not specified

## Study type(s)

Not Specified

## Participant information sheet

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

Inguinal hernia

## Interventions

Intervention group: Intraoperative injection of 20 ml bupivacain (0.25%) during inguinal hernia repair

Control group: Intraoperative injection of saline during inguinal hernia repair

## Intervention Type

Other

## Phase

Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure**

Occurrence of chronic pain (persistent pain at three-month follow-up measured by Visual Analogue Scale and Pain Matcher®) in the operated groin region.

**Secondary outcome measures**

The following will be measured at 1-, 3- and 12-month follow-up:

1. Level of pain: Pain Matcher®, VAS, areas of hyperalgesia, hypaesthesia
2. Hospitalization: Length of stay (days), American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Classification, beginning of mobilisation (days)
3. Function: Return to work or normal activity (days and %), Quality of life (36-item Short Form health survey [SF-36])

**Overall study start date**

01/07/2006

**Completion date**

01/08/2008

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

1. 18 years or older
2. Primary or recurrent single or double sided symptomatic but not incarcerated inguinal hernias with an elective hernia repair
3. Written informed consent

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

264

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients with legal incompetence
2. Pregnant and nursing women
3. Presence or history of active malignancy or systemic diseases
4. Under immunosuppressive treatment
5. Systemic or severe local inflammation or infection
6. Wound healing disorders
7. Physical or mental incapacity, which makes it impossible to obtain informed consent
8. Patients with pacemakers or other implanted electrical devices (as pacemakers interfere with

the electrical stimulation of the Pain Matcher® and vice versa)

9. Other types of hernia (e.g. umbilical hernia)

**Date of first enrolment**

01/07/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

01/08/2008

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Switzerland

**Study participating centre**

**Spitalstrasse**

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**Organisation**

Lucerne Cantonal Hospital (Switzerland)

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

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<http://www.ksl.ch/GSD/KSL/Web/KSLwww.nsf/web/default>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/02zk3am42>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**

Lucerne Cantonal Hospital (Kantonsspital Luzern) (Switzerland)

## 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

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	06/11/2007	01/02/2019	Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2015	01/02/2019	Yes	No