

# Evaluate - can magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) pick up early tumour spread in pancreatic cancer?

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-study-looking-at-whether-an-mri-scan-can-pick-up-early-spread-of-pancreatic-cancer>

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### Protocol serial number

2.0

## Study information

### Scientific Title

Evaluation of multi-parametric magnetic resonance imaging for characterising lymph node status, peritoneal and liver metastasis in pancreatic cancer

## **Acronym**

Evaluate

## **Study objectives**

The overall study aim is to determine whether multi parametric MRI can identify lymph node, peritoneal and liver metastasis in patients referred for pancreaticoduodenectomy (surgery for pancreatic cancer), and to determine whether MRI can 'diagnose' resectability (i.e. identifies patients in whom the surgery should not go ahead).

## **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

## **Ethics approval(s)**

South West - Central Bristol Research Ethics Committee, 20/06/2016, re: 16/SW/0105

## **Study design**

Single-centre proof-of-principle diagnostic accuracy study

## **Primary study design**

Observational

## **Study type(s)**

Diagnostic

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

Pancreatic cancer

## **Interventions**

All patients will attend the CRIC for a multi-parametric MRI scan roughly 2 weeks before their surgery (index test); the MRI scan will not be reported and the images will not be made available to the care team. During surgery (usual care), a visual examination, intraoperative ultrasound and /or frozen section intraoperative biopsy with histopathology assessment will be carried out and the operating team will decide whether to resect or not (without inspecting the MRI scan).

The MRI will be assessed after the patients have had their surgical treatment (either the Whipple's procedure or not) and the doctors reporting the scans will not know what treatment the patient has had or the results of any other tests. The doctors will attempt to identify from the MRI scan whether the cancer has spread to lymph nodes, the liver and abdomen, and make a decision based on the MRI as to whether the patient should have been referred for surgery or not. The decision to proceed with the surgery or not based on the MRI scan will then be compared with the same decision made by the surgeon at surgery.

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Primary outcome(s)**

Proportion of patients correctly identified by MRI as being 'resectable' (no lymph node, peritoneal or liver metastases) as determined by sensitivity and positive predictive values (PPV). Data collected at surgery (whether resection for pancreatic cancer goes ahead or not) and the preoperative MRI scan (whether metastases are identified or not).

## **Key secondary outcome(s)**

Data collected at surgery and the preoperative MRI scan:

1. Proportion of patients correctly identified by MRI to have lymph node, peritoneal or liver metastases. Position of 'pathological' lymph nodes on MRI is correlated with the final histology
2. Intra- and inter-observer reliability of MRI
3. Optimal combination of MRI parameters to detect metastasis
4. Safety of MRI in this patient population
5. Feasibility parameters (recruitment)
6. Resource use and costs for a preliminary economic evaluation, collected during the patient's hospital stay
7. Vital status of participants for 5 years after the last patient is recruited

## **Completion date**

01/09/2019

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patient  $\geq$  18 years
2. Confirmed or suspected pancreatic cancer referred for pancreaticoduodenectomy
3. Fit for general anaesthesia
4. Signed informed consent

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Lower age limit**

18 years

### **Sex**

All

### **Key exclusion criteria**

1. Prisoners and adults lacking capacity to consent
2. Patients undergoing distal or total pancreatectomy
3. Contraindications to MR (implanted electronic devices, metallic foreign bodies, claustrophobia, body weight >140 kg or waist perimeter exceeding manufacturer's recommendations and others according to manufacturer's recommendations and generally accepted guidelines)

### **Date of first enrolment**

01/09/2016

### **Date of final enrolment**

01/09/2019

## Locations

### Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

### Study participating centre

University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust  
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## Sponsor information

### Organisation

University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Charity

### Funder Name

David Telling Charitable Trust

## Results and Publications

### Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Anonymised individual patient data can be made available for secondary research (please contact [maria.pufulete@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:maria.pufulete@bristol.ac.uk)) when the study is complete and analysed (June 2020), conditional on assurance from the secondary researcher that the proposed use of the data is compliant with the MRC Policy on Data Preservation and Sharing regarding scientific quality, ethical requirements and value for money.

### IPD sharing plan summary

Available on request

### Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">HRA research summary</a>			28/06/2023	No	No