# Effect of intravenous fluid restriction on hospital stay and complications after abdominal surgery: a randomised triple-blinded clinical trial

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# Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

#### Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number N/A

# Study information

Scientific Title

#### Study objectives

A restrictive fluid regimen is beneficial for postoperative recovery after abdominal surgery, as to hospital stay and postoperative complications.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Received from the local medical ethics committee

#### Study design

Randomised triple-blinded clinical trial

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Abdominal surgery

#### **Interventions**

1.5 l intravenous fluid/24 hours versus 2.5 l/24 hours.

Trial was stopped prematurely because of protocol violations due to patient deterioration, with significantly increased postoperative hospital stay (12.3 vs. 8.3 days; p=0.049) and significantly more major complications (12 in 30 (40%) vs. 5 in 32 (16%) patients) in the group with the restricted regime. (detailed in pub 07/07/09)

#### Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

#### Phase

Not Specified

#### Primary outcome(s)

Length of hospital stay.

#### Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Postoperative complications
- 2. Time to restoration of gastric functions and normal diet

#### Completion date

01/07/2005

## Reason abandoned (if study stopped)

Objectives no longer viable

# **Eligibility**

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Abdominal surgery
- 2. Age >18
- 3. American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) I-III
- 4. Understanding the Dutch language
- 5. 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. Cardiac diseases (New York Hearth Association [NYHA] >III and CCS >III)
- 2. Contraindications for epidural analgesia
- 3. Presence of diabetes mellitus
- 4. Planned for liver or oesophageal surgery
- 5. Participating in another trial
- 6. Anticipated postoperative stay in the Intensive Care Unit

#### Date of first enrolment

01/05/2004

#### Date of final enrolment

01/07/2005

#### Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

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# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Academic Medical Center (AMC), Department of Surgery (Netherlands)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/03t4gr691

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

University/education

#### **Funder Name**

Center for Clinical Practice Guidelines, Academic Medical Center (AMC) (Netherlands)

#### Funder Name

Dutch Health Care Insurance Board (CVZ, independent government organisation) (Netherlands)

# **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?
Results article	results	07/07/2009		Yes	No