# Effect of local anesthesia on pain sensation during colposcopy

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Traditionally colposcopy [is a procedure where the surface of the cervix is closely examined using a magnifying instrument called a colposcope] with punch biopsies [a biopsy that is performed by using a punch, an instrument for cutting and removing a disk of tissue] is performed without any local anesthesia in Finland. We have observed that using local anesthesia reduces pain and discomfort during this treatment.

#### Who can participate?

Any woman who have been referred to diagnostic colposcopy in Helsinki University Hospital. Only if they have allergy to anesthetic agent, if they are pregnant, or if there is a suspicion of cancer they are not asked to participate in this study.

#### What does the study involve?

Half of the participants will be randomly allocated to receive local anesthesia before punch biopsies. Other half will be treated without local anesthesia. Pain will be measured by visual analogue scale (VAS). Participants from both groups will be asked to fill in a questionnaire, Beck's anxiety inventory before the treatment.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

The possible benefit is probably less pain during the punch biopsies.

The only additional risk for participating in the study is possible allergy to anaesthetic agent that the subject is not aware of. All the subjects would be treated the same way despite of participating in the study or not.

#### Where is the study run from?

The study takes place in Helsinki University Hospital, Department of Obsterics and Gynaecology.

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? The study started in November, 2012 and will last until May 2013.

#### Who is funding the study?

This study has received funding from Helsinki University Research Foundation.

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## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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## **EudraCT/CTIS** number

2012-005106-21

**IRAS** number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

## Secondary identifying numbers

2012-005106-21

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

Effect of local anesthesia on pain sensation during colposcopy: a randomized trial

## **Study objectives**

The main objective is to measure pain by using visual analogy scale (VAS) during colposcopy and biopsies. We hypothesize that local anesthesia will reduce pain and discomfort.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Helsinki University Institutional Review Board, 2.10.2012, ref: (292/13/03/03/2012)

## Study design

Randomized controlled trial

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

#### Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

#### Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet (in Finnish only)

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

Colposcopy: pain during punch biopsies

#### **Interventions**

Woman referred to colposcopy will be randomized into two groups

- 1. Colposcopy with local anesthesia
- 2. Colposcopy without local anesthesia

Pain will be measured by VAS scale after biopsies. We will also ask Beck's anxiety inventory for both groups before the treatment.

#### **Intervention Type**

Procedure/Surgery

#### **Phase**

Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome measure

Pain, measured using the Visual Analogue Scale (VAS) score (0 = no pain, 10 = unbearable pain) after punch biopsies.

#### Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Abnormal bleeding after colposcopy
- 2. Beck's anxiety inventory score

#### Overall study start date

12/11/2012

#### Completion date

30/05/2013

## **Eligibility**

## Key inclusion criteria

All eligible women who have been referred to diagnostic colposcopy for any cytological abnormality

## Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Age group

Adult

#### Sex

Female

## Target number of participants

200

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Allergy to local anesthesia (prilocain + felypressin)
- 2. Pregnancy
- 3. Suspicion of cancer

#### Date of first enrolment

12/11/2012

#### Date of final enrolment

30/05/2013

## Locations

## Countries of recruitment

Finland

## Study participating centre Helsinki University Hospital Helsinki

Finland 00029

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Helsinki University Hospital (Finland)

## Sponsor details

Bo-BOX 140 Helsinki Finland 00029

## Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

#### Website

http://www.med.helsinki.fi

#### ROR

https://ror.org/02e8hzf44

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

University/education

#### **Funder Name**

Helsinki University Research Foundation (Finland)

## **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?
Results article	results	01/04/2017	24/01/2019	Yes	No