

# VenUS III: Ultrasound for venous leg ulcers

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**  
HTA 02/37/03

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

**Acronym**  
VenUS III

**Study objectives**

Low dose ultrasound will accelerate the healing of 'hard to heal' venous leg ulcers used in addition to compression bandaging

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Added 21 August 2008: Favourable ethics review provided by York Research Ethics Committee (UK) on 04/02/2005 (Ref 05/Q1108/3).

**Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Venous ulcers

**Interventions**

Low dose ultrasound administered weekly for 12 weeks, for between 5 and 10 minutes using in conjunction with compression therapy versus compression therapy alone.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

Time to complete healing of all ulcers.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Proportion of patients with all ulcers healed at 24 weeks
2. Costs of healing ulcers
3. Health related quality of life
4. 12 month recurrence rate

**Completion date**

30/10/2009

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

People with venous ulcers treated in community or hospital out-patients with venous ulcers defined as hard to heal based on their being larger than 5 cm<sup>2</sup> or of greater than 6 months

duration (or both).

Able and willing to give informed written consent.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

Active infection in the ulcer, presence of shrapnel or joint replacements near ulcerated area; allergy to ultrasound transmission gel.

**Date of first enrolment**

01/05/2005

**Date of final enrolment**

30/10/2009

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

**Study participating centre**

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

Department of Health (UK)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/03sbpja79>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Government

## Funder Name

NIHR Health Technology Assessment Programme - HTA (UK)

# 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/05/2009		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/03/2011		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	08/03/2011		Yes	No
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	01/01/2006		Yes	No
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes
<a href="#">Study website</a>	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes