

# The effect of post-operative nasal packing on mucociliary activity

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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**Protocol serial number**  
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## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
The effect of post-operative nasal packing on mucociliary activity

**Study objectives**

We expect that nasal packs disrupt the nasal mucosal membrane for up to 3 months causing increased morbidity.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study design**

Prospective randomised controlled pilot study

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Ear, Nose and Throat: Post-operative nasal packing

**Interventions**

Patients will be randomised to receive either Merocel, Vasolene gauze or no packs. The effect on the mucociliary transport will be assessed by performing a saccharin clearance test pre-operatively, after removal of packs prior to discharge and at subsequent clinic follow-up. It is envisaged that the packs will significantly alter the mucociliary transport time, leading to increased post-operative morbidity. This will lead to an alteration in departmental policy and fewer patients will be packed as a result. Data analysis of the results to assess the mucociliary transport rates will be done.

**Intervention Type**

Procedure/Surgery

**Primary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Key secondary outcome(s))**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

01/06/2003

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

Not provided at time of registration

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Not Specified

**Sex**

Not Specified

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

01/09/2001

**Date of final enrolment**

01/06/2003

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

Department of Health (UK)

**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**

Aintree Hospitals NHS Trust (UK)

**Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration