The use of cervical collars following anterior cervical discectomy for radiculopathy or myelopathy

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
06/01/2003	No longer recruiting	Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
06/01/2003	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	☐ Individual participant data
31/07/2012	Surgery	[] Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Protocol serial number M0617

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Aim of the study was to determine the effect, if any, of wearing a hard collar following Anterior Cervical Discectomy (+/- Grafting) on pain, range of movement and function. No statistically or clinically significant differences were found between collar and no collar wearing groups on any outcomes, although patient compliance was a problem due to the inconvenience of wearing a collar. The need for providing patients with information and reassurance to mitigate the need for collars is highlighted.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Other

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Cervical spondylosis

Interventions

Randomised pre-operatively to either collar-wearing or no collar-wearing group (collars to be worn continuously for 6 weeks following surgery)

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

Neck pain and Disability Scale (NPAD)

Key secondary outcome(s))

Range of Active Cervical Flexion/Extension Movement (degrees) and Function (SF-36)

Completion date

31/10/2003

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Patients undergoing single-level anterior cervical discectomy, with or without inter-body grafting, for either radiculopathy or myelopathy, or a combination of both, caused by predominately single-level degenerative disease. This had been confirmed by magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

Female

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Under 16 years of age
- 2. Acute whiplash or other acute traumatic injury
- 3. Malignant disease or tumour
- 4. Concomitant disease (e.g. rheumatoid arthritis) which could influence their recovery
- 5. Posterior or instrumented surgery unable to consent to the trial for any reason

Date of first enrolment

01/06/2001

Date of final enrolment

31/10/2003

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Arthritis Research Campaign (ARC) (UK)

ROR

https://ror.org/02jkpm469

Funder(s)

Funder type

Charity

Funder Name

Arthritis Research Campaign (ARC) (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration