

United Kingdom Familial Ovarian Cancer Screening Study

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Registration date 29/04/2010	Overall study status Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> Statistical analysis plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results
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Plain English summary of protocol

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-study-looking-at-ovarian-cancer-screening-for-women-at-high-risk-the-united-kingdom-familial-ovarian-cancer-screening-study>

Study website

<http://ukfocss.org.uk/>

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Type(s)

Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

NCT00033488

Secondary identifying numbers

1069; Current Version 10.0

Study information

Scientific Title

A non-randomised interventional screening trial for women at high risk of ovarian/fallopian tube cancer

Acronym

UK FOCSS

Study objectives

5,000 women at high risk of ovarian/fallopian tube cancer due to a strong family history or known mutation in predisposing genes are being screened annually with transvaginal ultrasound and every four months with the serum tumour marker CA125. CA125 levels are processed using a Risk of Ovarian Cancer Algorithm (ROCA), which stratifies women according to their age, menopausal status and pattern of CA125 over time. Women with intermediate ROCA results have a repeat ultrasound. Women with suspicious scans or highly elevated ROCA results are referred to a gynaecologist for consideration of surgical investigation. Screening is coordinated from University College London via an online database accessible by collaborating national centres. All CA125 tests are processed centrally at UCL. The aims of the research are to develop an optimised screening procedure for ovarian cancer in high-risk women, to determine the physical morbidity, resource implications and feasibility of screening this high-risk population and to establish a serum bank for future assessment of novel tumour markers.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Cambridgeshire 4 REC, 11/12/2001, ref: 97/5/007

Study design

Non-randomised interventional screening trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Non randomised study

Study setting(s)

GP practice

Study type(s)

Screening

Participant information sheet

Can be found at http://www.instituteforwomenshealth.ucl.ac.uk/academic_research/gynaecologicalcancer/gcrc/ukfocss/pis.pdf

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Topic: National Cancer Research Network, Primary Care Research Network for England, Congenital Disorders; Subtopic: Gynaecological Cancer, Not Assigned, Congenital Disorders (all Subtopics); Disease: Ovary, Clinical Genetics, All Diseases

Interventions

Intervention comprised of two screening tests:

1. 4-monthly CA125 blood tests
2. An annual transvaginal ultrasound scan

Study entry: registration only

Updated 23/10/2018:

Phase 1: Annual screening

Phase 2: Four-monthly screening

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Phase I

Primary outcome measure

Diagnosis/stage/grade of primary invasive epithelial ovarian/fallopian tube cancer, measured during and one year after the end of active screening (June 2012)

Secondary outcome measures

No secondary outcome measures

Overall study start date

05/06/2002

Completion date

31/12/2020

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Inclusion in the study will be on the basis of a family history of cancer confirmed by histopathology report or death certification or a documented mutation of an OC causing gene. The UK FOCSS inclusion criteria have been devised to include all women who have a greater than or equal to 10% life time risk of ovarian cancer. This corresponds to a BRCA carrier probability of greater than or equal to 25% in the volunteer or greater than or equal to 50% in a FDR (first degree relative) of the volunteer including:

1. Families with ovarian or ovarian and breast cancer
2. Families with a known gene mutation
3. Families with colorectal cancer (HNPCC or Lynch syndrome)

4. Families with only breast cancer
5. Families with Ashkenazi Jewish ethnicity (additional criteria). Full details available from co-ordinating centre.
6. Female, aged between 35 and 75 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Female

Target number of participants

Planned Sample Size: 5000; UK Sample Size: 5000

Key exclusion criteria

1. Past history of bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy (N.B. Women who have undergone bilateral oophorectomy but who still have one or more Fallopian Tube in situ are eligible as they may be at increased risk of Fallopian Tube Cancer)
2. Less than 35 years of age
3. Women participating in other OC screening trials

Date of first enrolment

05/06/2002

Date of final enrolment

30/04/2018

Locations**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre

UCL Faculty of Biomedical Sciences

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Sponsor information

Organisation

University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (UK)

Sponsor details

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Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

Website

<http://www.ucl.ac.uk/joint-rd-unit/>

ROR

<https://ror.org/042fqyp44>

Funder(s)**Funder type**

Charity

Funder Name

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK) (ref: C1005/A6383)

Alternative Name(s)

CR_UK, Cancer Research UK - London, CRUK

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Other non-profit organizations

Location

United Kingdom

Funder Name

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) (UK)

Alternative Name(s)

National Institute for Health Research, NIHR Research, NIHRresearch, NIHR - National Institute for Health Research, NIHR (The National Institute for Health and Care Research), NIHR

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

National government

Location

United Kingdom

Funder Name

The Eve Appeal (UK)

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

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	01/01/2012		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/12/2012		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/01/2013		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/03/2013		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/11/2013		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/11/2013		Yes	No
Results article	results	27/08/2015		Yes	No
Results article	results	09/09/2015		Yes	No
Results article	results	10/09/2015		Yes	No
	results				

Results article		17/01/2017		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/05/2017		Yes	No
Plain English results			31/03/2022	No	Yes