# Simply Capecitabine in rectal cancer after irradiation plus total mesorectal excision (TME)

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

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## Additional identifiers

## Protocol serial number

NTR552; CKTO 2003 - 16

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

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A Multicenter Phase III Randomised Trial comparing Total Mesorectal Excision with Pre-

operative Radiotherapy with or without Post-operative Oral Capecitabine in the Treatment of Operable Primary Rectal Cancer.

#### Acronym

**SCRIPT** 

#### **Study objectives**

The overall survival in the arm treated without chemotherapy (TNM-stage II or III tumours) is expected to be approximately 60%. Assuming an improvement in overall survival from 60% to 70% in the arm treated with chemotherapy (TNM-stage II or III tumours), 840 patients are needed; 420 in each arm (alpha 0.05, two sided; power 0.90).

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Received from local medical ethics committee

#### Study design

Multicentre randomised open label active controlled parallel group trial

#### Primary study design

Interventional

### Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Rectal cancer, tumour

#### **Interventions**

Subjects will be randomised 1:1 to receive either 24 weeks of post-operative treatment (8 courses) with oral capecitabine twice daily, given on days 1-14 every 21 days versus no post-operative treatment (observation).

#### Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

Phase III

#### Primary outcome(s)

To investigate in rectal cancer patients, in a randomised fashion, whether post-operative chemotherapy leads to a substantial improvement in overall survival, when standardised TME-surgery and pre-operative radiotherapy and pathology are applied.

#### Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. To investigate in a randomised fashion whether post-operative chemotherapy leads to a substantial improvement in local and distant tumour control, when standardised TME-surgery, pre-operative radiotherapy and pathology are applied
- 2. Standardisation and quality control of TME-surgery and pathology

#### Completion date

01/09/2007

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Rectal adenocarcinoma confirmed by histological examination of the biopsy specimen, located below the level of S1/S2 on a barium enema, computed tomography (CT) scan or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scan, or located within 15 cm of the anal verge, measured during withdrawal of the flexible scope
- 2. Preoperative short term hypofractioned radiotherapy (5  $\times$  5 Gy)
- 3. TME-surgery performed
- 4. TNM-stage II (T3-T4, N0) or III (any T, N+) as defined by postoperative examination of the resected specimen
- 5. Start of chemotherapy treatment is possible within 6 weeks after surgery
- 6. WHO performance score =/< 2
- 7. Patient is considered to be mentally and physically fit for chemotherapy as judged by the medical oncologist
- 8. Age >/= 18 years
- 9. Written informed consent
- 10. Adequate potential for follow-up

#### Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

#### Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 years

#### Sex

**Not Specified** 

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Evidence of macroscopic residual disease (R2)
- 2. T1 or T2 tumour with the presence of micrometastasis without the presence of macrometastasis
- 3. Contraindications to chemotherapy, including adequate blood counts (measured after recovery from surgery):
- 3.1. White blood count  $>/= 4.0 \times 10^9/l$
- 3.2. Platelet count  $>/= 100 \times 10^9/l$
- 3.3. Clinically acceptable haemoglobin levels
- 3.4. Creatinine levels indicating renal clearance of >/= 60 ml/min
- 3.5. Bilirubin <25 µmol/l
- 4. Familial Adenomatosis Polyposis coli (FAP), Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer

(HNPCC), active Crohns disease or active ulcerative colitis

- 5. Concomitant malignancies, except for adequately treated basocellular carcinoma of the skin or in situ carcinoma of the cervix uteri. Subjects with prior malignancies must be disease-free for at least 10 years.
- 6. Known DPD deficiency

Date of first enrolment 01/10/2004

Date of final enrolment 01/09/2007

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**Netherlands

Study participating centre Leiden University Medical Centre Leiden Netherlands 2300 RC

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Dutch Colorectal Cancer Group (DCCG), University Medical Centre St Radboud (Netherlands)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/00nsb1162

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Charity

#### **Funder Name**

National Cancer Fund (Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds [KWF]) (Netherlands)

#### **Funder Name**

# **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?
Results article	results	01/04/2015	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025 11/11/2025	No	Yes