

# Phase III adjuvant trial in pancreatic cancer comparing 5-Fluorouracil (5FU) and D-L-folinic acid versus gemcitabine versus no adjuvant treatment

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| <b>Last Edited</b><br>28/10/2021       | <b>Condition category</b><br>Cancer               | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual participant data  |

## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

### ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)

NCT00058201

### Protocol serial number

ESPAC-3

# Study information

## Scientific Title

Phase III adjuvant trial in pancreatic cancer comparing 5-Fluorouracil (5FU) and D-L-folinic acid versus gemcitabine versus no adjuvant treatment

## Acronym

ESPAC-3

## Study objectives

Not provided at time of registration

Please note that as of 03/09/09 the ethics and primary outcomes of this trial were updated. The end date of this trial was also extended from 01/12/2005 to 07/05/2008

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Added 03/09/09: Received from local medical ethics committee (MREC ref: 99/8/74)

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Pancreatic cancer

## Interventions

1. 5-FU and Folinic Acid: Folinic Acid D-L form: 20 mg/m<sup>2</sup> iv bolus injection followed by 5-FU: 425 mg/m<sup>2</sup> iv bolus injection given on 5 consecutive days every 28 days for six cycles (24 weeks)
2. Gemcitabine: 1000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> given as iv infusion over 30 min once a week for 3 of every 4 weeks for six cycles (24 weeks)
3. No adjuvant

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Phase III

## Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

5-Fluorouracil (5FU), D-L-folinic acid, gemcitabine

## Primary outcome(s)

Added 03/09/09:

1. Survival at 2 and 5 years
2. Toxicity
3. Quality of life
4. Relapse free survival

**Key secondary outcome(s))**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

07/05/2008

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

- 1.1. Patients who have undergone complete macroscopic resection for ductal adenocarcinoma of the pancreas
- 1.2. Patients with other cancer may be included who have had complete macroscopic resection for unusual malignancies of the pancreas; cancer of the periampullary region; cancer of the intra-pancreatic bile duct; periampullary cancer of uncertain origin
2. Histological confirmation of the primary diagnosis
3. Histological examination of all resection margins
4. No evidence of malignant ascites, liver metastases, spread to other distant abdominal organs, peritoneal metastases, spread to extra-abdominal regions
5. A World Health Organisation (WHO) performance status  $\leq 2$
6. Fully recovered from surgery and fit to take part in the trial. Life expectancy of more than 3 months
7. Able to attend for administration of adjuvant therapy
8. Able to attend for long-term follow-up
9. No previous or concurrent malignancy diagnoses
10. No serious medical or psychological condition precluding adjuvant treatment
11. Fully informed written consent given

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

Does not match inclusion criteria

**Date of first enrolment**

03/07/2000

**Date of final enrolment**

07/05/2008

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

**Study participating centre**

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London

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/054225q67>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Charity

**Funder Name**

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK)

**Alternative Name(s)**

CR\_UK, Cancer Research UK - London, Cancer Research UK (CRUK), CRUK

**Funding Body Type**

Private sector organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

Other non-profit organizations

**Location**

## Results and Publications

### Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

### IPD sharing plan summary

#### Study outputs

| Output type                           | Details | Date created | Date added | Peer reviewed? | Patient-facing? |
|---------------------------------------|---------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <a href="#">Results article</a>       | results | 08/09/2010   |            | Yes            | No              |
| <a href="#">Results article</a>       | results | 11/07/2012   |            | Yes            | No              |
| <a href="#">Results article</a>       | results | 01/01/2014   |            | Yes            | No              |
| <a href="#">Results article</a>       | results | 20/02/2014   |            | Yes            | No              |
| <a href="#">Plain English results</a> |         |              | 28/10/2021 | No             | Yes             |