

# Breast cancer biomarkers and treatment targets

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## Plain English summary of protocol

### Background and study aims

Breast cancer is now the most common cancer in the United Kingdom. More than 45,500 women per year are now diagnosed with breast cancer and this continues to increase. However, new targeted treatments such as herceptin have led to successful therapies. This project aims to study and investigate new targets for treating breast cancer.

### Who can participate?

Patients with breast cancer

### What does the study involve?

This study observes and investigates extra samples of breast cancer tissue that is not required for diagnosing the patient, or tissue that already exists in a tumour bank. Patients will have received normal clinical care.

### What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

Benefits of the study are that new treatments may be developed for breast cancer. There are no known risks associated with this study as patients are not directly involved.

### Where is the study run from?

Southampton General Hospital (UK)

### When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

November 2010 to October 2025

### Who is funding the study?

Cancer Research UK

### Who is the main contact?

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Type(s)

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## **Additional identifiers**

**EudraCT/CTIS number**

**IRAS number**

**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

**Secondary identifying numbers**

RHMCAN0738 (Protocol version 1.3 )

## **Study information**

**Scientific Title**

Breast cancer biomarkers translational research and validation study

**Study objectives**

The aim of this study is to identify, further understand, validate and characterise breast cancer molecules and biomarkers with a view to designing novel molecular rational therapies for breast cancer.

The study is laboratory based using human tissue samples and is hypothesis generating rather than a definitive trial. We will explore the potential of candidate proteins as future biomarkers or therapeutic targets.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Southampton and South West Hampshire Regional Ethics Committee, 09/11/2010, ref: 10/H0504 /73

**Study design**

Open-label non-randomised retrospective study

**Primary study design**

Observational

**Secondary study design**

Non randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)**

Hospital

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

**Participant information sheet**

Patient confidentiality will be maintained by removing patient identifiable labels other than an assigned study specific number to create linked anonymised samples. No personally identifying information will be released in any report or publication relating to this work.

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

Breast cancer

**Interventions**

The study is non-interventional and laboratory-based. This research is hypothesis-generating rather than a clinical trial.

Biomarker identification, validation and therapeutic targets.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Primary outcome measure**

Anticipated outcomes from this study are expression levels of candidate biomarkers in breast cancer. The expression levels will be evaluated by various means, but of this study is to determine the optimum methods of biomarker validation.

Validate BAG-1 as a biomarker in breast cancer

**Secondary outcome measures**

Identify other proteins related to BAG-1 as possible biomarkers in breast cancer and therapeutic targets

**Overall study start date**

10/11/2010

**Completion date**

01/10/2025

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

All tissue will be obtained from pre-existing sources (tissue bank, archival material surplus to diagnostic requirements, tissue microarrays generated for research purpose). There will be no active patient participation.

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Age group

Adult

## Sex

Female

## Target number of participants

Over 500 samples are currently held in the tissue bank at present

## Key exclusion criteria

All tissue will be obtained from pre-existing sources (tissue bank, archival material surplus to diagnostic requirements, tissue microarrays generated for research purpose). There will be no active patient participation.

## Date of first enrolment

10/11/2010

## Date of final enrolment

01/10/2025

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

## Study participating centre

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/0485axj58>

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

Charity

**Funder Name**

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK)

**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

**Results and Publications**

Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

**Intention to publish date**

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan**

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration