

# Diagnostic efficacy and effectiveness of primary whole-body computed tomography (Pan-CT) in severe and multiple trauma

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**Recruitment status**  
No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☐ Protocol

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**Overall study status**  
Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☒ Results

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Injury, Occupational Diseases, Poisoning

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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### Protocol serial number

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## Study information

Scientific Title

Primary whole-body computed tomography (Pan-CT) for Trauma Resuscitation Evaluation: a prospective diagnostic effectiveness trial with a retrospective diagnostic accuracy study

## **Acronym**

PATRES

## **Study objectives**

Hypotheses (formulated as clinical rather than null-hypotheses):

1. Primary whole-body computed tomography (Pan-CT) is highly sensitive to exclude and highly specific to recognise life-threatening injuries in multiple trauma
2. Pan-CT significantly affects the clinical pre-test probability of certain injuries and influences clinical decision making

## **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

## **Ethics approval(s)**

Approved by the Charité University Medical Centre in February 2009

## **Study design**

PATRES-1: Retrospective diagnostic accuracy study

PATRES-2: Prospective observational diagnostic effectiveness study

## **Primary study design**

Observational

## **Study type(s)**

Diagnostic

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

Blunt and penetrating multiple trauma

## **Interventions**

PATRES-1: Hospital charts and RIS/PACS data of the patients will be studied retrospectively to determine diagnostic accuracy of Pan-CT.

PATRES-2: Prospective observational study of patients undergoing Pan-CT. The diagnostic results will be assessed by comparing the initial clinical judgement, pre-test probability, and therapeutic plan of the trauma leader (an experienced trauma and orthopaedic surgeon who considers injury mechanism, clinical and ultrasound findings) immediately before Pan-CT, and after Pan-CT results.

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Applicable

## **Primary outcome(s)**

PATRES-1: Accuracy of Pan-CT (i.e. sensitivity, specificity, area under the ROC curve) for diagnosing i) multiple trauma, ii) individual injuries. A synopsis of all diagnoses obtained during

the hospital stay (e.g. CT-scans, clinical, intra-operative, and autopsy findings) will serve as the reference standard. All images will be re-read by experienced trauma radiologists, and hospital charts will independently be evaluated by trauma surgeons.

**PATRES-2:**

1. Shift in the pre-test probability of the prevalence and severity of injuries as judged by trauma surgeons prior to and after Pan-CT
2. Related changes in clinical decision making (e.g., emergency surgery, transfer to intensive care unit [ICU])

**Key secondary outcome(s))**

**PATRES-1:**

1. Rate of unnecessary CT-scans
2. Discrepancy between first and second readings

PATRES-2: Perceived value and effectiveness of CT-scans by trauma leaders (immediately after availability of CT-scans [i.e. at the trauma bay])

**Completion date**

31/12/2009

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

PATRES-1: Hospital charts and Radiology Information System/Picture Archiving and Communication System (RIS/PACS) data from consecutive male and female patients (no age limits) who i) had been admitted to the emergency department of a metropolitan trauma centre between 01/2008 and 06/2009 and ii) were referred to Pan-CT because of suspected multiple trauma by the physician on charge

PATRES-2: Trauma leaders caring for consecutive male and female patients (no age limits) who are admitted to the emergency department of a metropolitan trauma centre and are referred to Pan-CT because of suspected multiple trauma

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Other

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

Does not meet inclusion criteria

**Date of first enrolment**

01/09/2009

**Date of final enrolment**

31/12/2009

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

Germany

**Study participating centre**

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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**

Unfallkrankenhaus Berlin Trauma Centre, Centre for Clinical Research (Germany)

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/011zjcv36>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Other

**Funder Name**

Investigator-initiated trial without commercial funding. Study logistics and personnel will be provided by the Centre for Clinical Research of the Unfallkrankenhaus Berlin (Germany), and related costs will be covered by the investigator.

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	retrospective cohort study results	09/12/2011		Yes	No
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes