

# National breast cancer study of Epirubicin plus CMF versus classical CMF Adjuvant Therapy

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<http://www.cancerhelp.org.uk/trials/national-breast-cancer-study-of-epirubicin-as-adjuvant-therapy>

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

NCT00003577

Secondary identifying numbers

BR3014

# Study information

## Scientific Title

National breast cancer study of Epirubicin plus CMF versus classical CMF Adjuvant Therapy

## Acronym

NEAT

## Study objectives

In women with early breast cancer, adjuvant combination chemotherapy which schedules 4 cycles of epirubicin, followed by 4 cycles of classical CMF, is significantly superior to classical CMF for 6 cycles, in terms of disease-free and overall survival.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Hospital

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

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

Breast

## Interventions

1. Group A: Chemotherapy, cyclophosphamide, methotrexate and 5-fluorouracil (CMF) repeated every 3 weeks for six cycles.
2. Group B: Chemotherapy, epirubicin repeated every 3 weeks for four cycles followed by CMF repeated every 3 weeks for four cycles.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Phase III

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

Epirubicin plus CMF versus classical CMF Adjuvant Therapy

**Primary outcome measure**

1. 5 year disease-free survival
2. 5 year overall survival

**Secondary outcome measures**

1. Acute toxicity comparison between the two study arms
2. Quality of life and limited health economic comparisons between the two study arms, in a subset of 300 patients from designated centres

**Overall study start date**

30/04/1996

**Completion date**

31/07/2001

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

1. Histological diagnosis of invasive breast cancer
2. Clinically early stage disease
3. Definitive surgery (either wide local excision or mastectomy) to the breast with complete excision of tumour
4. In the opinion of the clinician there is a definite indication for adjuvant chemotherapy, or the patient has been randomised to receive chemotherapy in the ABC study
5. Fit to receive chemotherapy in either of the two arms
6. No previous radiotherapy or chemotherapy
7. Adequate renal, hepatic and bone marrow function
8. Randomisation within 6 weeks of surgery, ideally within 1 month
9. No previous malignancy except, basal cell carcinoma or in situ carcinoma of the cervix

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Female

**Target number of participants**

Target: 2000 patients. Recruited: 2028

**Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

30/04/1996

**Date of final enrolment**

31/07/2001

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre**

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University of Birmingham (UK)

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<http://www.bham.ac.uk/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/03angcq70>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Industry

**Funder Name**

Cancer Research 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

**Funder Name**

Pharmacia and Upjohn

## 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

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Plain English results</a>				No	Yes
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	02/11/2006		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	21/10/2008	25/01/2019	Yes	No