# Randomised controlled trial of fissurectomy and botulinum toxin injection versus island flap in the management of chronic anal fissure

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29/09/2006	Stopped	[] Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
29/09/2006	Stopped	[_] Results
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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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# Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

N0213168035

## Study information

Scientific Title

#### **Study objectives**

To determine whether fissurectomy and botox injection or island advancement flap is superior in the surgical management of chronic anal fissure.

**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)** Not specified

**Study type(s)** Not Specified

Participant information sheet

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

Surgery: Fissurectomy

#### Interventions

Anal fissure is a painful type of ulcer around the anal canal. It often does not respond to topical therapy and surgery has to be considered. Current treatment has a risk of incontinence after surgery. We wish to look at two different kinds of surgery which do not have any risk of disturbing continence, and decide which is superior in managing anal fissure. The first is surgical removal of the fissure together with an injection of botox. The second is surgical removal of the fissure to cover the wound. Both techniques avoid cutting of the 'sphincter' and so do not disturb continence.

Added 28 August 2008: trial stopped due to poor recruitment.

Intervention Type Procedure/Surgery

### Phase

Not Specified

#### Primary outcome measure

Healing rates of anal fissure at 4, 12 and 24 weeks post surgery.

#### Secondary outcome measures

1. Pain on defecation as assessed by Visual analogue score for 10 days post surgery

2. Patient's general health as assessed by SF-12 questionnaire at 24 weeks

3. Continence at 4, 12 and 24 weeks post surgery as assessed by the Cleveland incontinence score

## Overall study start date

01/08/2005

Completion date 06/04/2007

## Reason abandoned (if study stopped)

Poor recruitment

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Chronic anal fissure resistant to 6 weeks GTN therapy
- 2. Features of fissure chronicity (skin tag, induration)
- 3. Suitable for day case surgery

## Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group Not Specified

**Sex** Not Specified

**Target number of participants** 35 patients in each arm.

### Key exclusion criteria

Concurrent peri-anal disease
Previous fissure surgery

# Date of first enrolment 01/08/2005

Date of final enrolment 06/04/2007

# Locations

**Countries of recruitment** England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre Royal West Sussex NHS Trust** Chichester United Kingdom PO19 6SE

# Sponsor information

**Organisation** Record Provided by the NHSTCT Register - 2006 Update - Department of Health

**Sponsor details** The Department of Health, Richmond House, 79 Whitehall London United Kingdom SW1A 2NL +44 (0)20 7307 2622 dhmail@doh.gsi.org.uk

## Sponsor type

Government

**Website** http://www.dh.gov.uk/Home/fs/en

# Funder(s)

**Funder type** Government

**Funder Name** Royal West Sussex NHS Trust (UK), NHS R&D Support Funding

# **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