

Serial Membrane Sweeping at term in planned Vaginal Birth After Caesarean

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601.12

Study information

Scientific Title

Serial weekly membrane sweeping at term in women who planned vaginal birth after one caesarean delivery: a randomised trial

Acronym

SMS_VBAC Trial

Study objectives

That serial weekly stretching of the cervix and stripping of the membrane from the lower segment of the uterus at term will facilitate the onset of spontaneous labour.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

University of Malaya Medical Centre Medical Ethics Committee gave approval on the 25th July 2007 (ref: 601.12)

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

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Planned vaginal birth after caesarean

Interventions

Weekly cervical stretching and membrane stripping (membrane sweeping) from greater than 36 weeks gestation versus weekly gentle vaginal examination (control).

Random allocation to membrane sweeping or gentle vaginal examination. Allocated treatment conducted as an outpatient procedure in the antenatal clinic. The treatment continues on a weekly basis until delivery has occurred. Standard management of pregnancy and delivery applies.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome measure

Spontaneous labour, defined as:

1. Regular painful contractions that had resulted in at least 3 cm of cervical dilation, or
2. Confirmed pre-labour rupture of membranes

Secondary outcome measures

1. Caesarean delivery
2. Formal labour induction
3. Recruitment to delivery interval
4. Gestational age at delivery
5. Number of membrane sweep or control sessions conducted
6. Bishop score at each session
7. Unscheduled hospitalisation
8. Significant antepartum haemorrhage
9. Prostaglandin and oxytocin use
10. Duration of hospitalisation at birth
11. Epidural analgesia
12. Neonatal outcomes of umbilical artery blood pH, Apgar score at 5 minutes and birth weight

All obtained by the time of discharge from hospital after birth, i.e., no later than 6 weeks after enrolment.

Overall study start date

07/09/2007

Completion date

06/11/2008

Eligibility**Key inclusion criteria**

Pregnant women with the following characteristics:

1. One previous transverse lower segment caesarean scar
2. Singleton pregnancy
3. Foetus in cephalic presentation
4. Intact membranes
5. Gestational age greater than 36 week
6. Agreed to a trial of vaginal birth
7. Passed physician screening for a trial of vaginal birth

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Female

Target number of participants

At least 211

Key exclusion criteria

Otherwise eligible women with the following are excluded:

1. Placenta praevia
2. Suspected foetal macrosomia
3. Suspected cephalopelvic disproportion
4. Abnormal foetal lie
5. Obstructive pelvic masses

Date of first enrolment

07/09/2007

Date of final enrolment

06/11/2008

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Malaysia

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Organisation

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Sponsor type

University/education

Website

<http://www.um.edu.my/>

ROR

<https://ror.org/00rzspn62>

Funder(s)

Funder type

University/education

Funder Name

University of Malaya (Malaysia)

Alternative Name(s)

University of Malaya, University Malaya, Malayan University, UM

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Universities (academic only)

Location

Malaysia

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?
Results article	results	01/10/2009		Yes	No