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# Does the use of a simple portable ultrasound machine increase the success rate for femoral venous access in children and decrease complications?

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**Plain English summary of protocol**
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**
N0045126775

## Study information

## Scientific Title
Does the use of a simple portable ultrasound machine increase the success rate for femoral venous access in children and decrease complications?

## Study objectives
Does the use of a simple portable ultrasound machine increase the success rate for femoral venous access in children and decrease complications?

## 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

## Study type(s)
Treatment

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

## Interventions
Children undergoing cardiac catheterisation under general anaesthesia who require femoral venous access for that procedure will be randomised to either femoral venous access under ultrasound guidance or by the landmark method (palpation of the femoral artery). Children who are known to have thrombosed or abnormal venous anatomy will be excluded because these children will require specialised techniques of vascular access. A history of latex allergy will also be an exclusion criterion. The femoral venous puncture will be performed by a cardiologist trained in both techniques.

## Intervention Type
Procedure/Surgery

## Phase
Not Specified

## Primary outcome(s)
The number of attempts to successful venous access, time taken and complications (arterial puncture, failure, haematoma) will be recorded. If after 15 minutes the vein has not been accessed, then this will be recorded as a failure of that technique and an alternative method of access used.

## Key secondary outcome(s))
Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**
31/03/2005

# Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**
Children undergoing cardiac catheterisation under general anaesthesia who require femoral venous access for the procedure

**Participant type(s)**
Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**
No

**Age group**
Child

**Sex**
All

**Key exclusion criteria**
Does not meet inclusion criteria

**Date of first enrolment**
19/04/2004

**Date of final enrolment**
31/03/2005

# Locations

**Countries of recruitment**
United Kingdom

England

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**Birmingham Children's Hospital**
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# Sponsor information

**Organisation**
Department of Health

# Funder(s)

**Funder type**
Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**
Birmingham Children's Hospital NHS Trust (UK)

# 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? |
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