# A comparison of patient warming versus prophylactic antibiotics on the reduction of wound infection after breast surgery

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02/12/2004		☐ Protocol		
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan		
24/02/2005	Completed	[X] Results		
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# Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

# Contact information

#### Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number AP0978

# Study information

Scientific Title

Patient warming versus prophylactic antibiotics on the reduction of wound infection after breast surgery: a randomised controlled trial

#### **Study objectives**

The principle objective is to compare the effect of local warming applied before and after surgery with prophylactic antibiotics on the rate of infection after breast surgery.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

South East Wales Research Ethics Committee

#### Study design

Prospective randomised single-blinded controlled trial

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Study type(s)

**Treatment** 

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

Breast surgery wound healing

#### **Interventions**

Group A: patients receive treatment with a standardised prophylactic antibiotic

Group B: patients receive treatment of warming to the chest area using an exothermic warming pad

Group C: patients receive both prophylactic antibiotic treatment and patient warming

#### Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

#### Phase

Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome(s)

The rate of wound infection during the 30-day follow-up period.

# Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Overall wound healing
- 2. Pain
- 3. Quality of life

### Completion date

31/12/2005

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Female patients greater than or equal to 18 years
- 2. Having clean, non-implant, breast surgery

#### Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

#### Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 years

#### Sex

Female

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Under 18 years
- 2. Pregnant
- 3. Current infection
- 4. Fine wire biopsy
- 5. Implant surgery
- 6. Diabetic

#### Date of first enrolment

01/01/2004

#### Date of final enrolment

31/12/2005

# Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

# Study participating centre North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust

Stockton-on-Tees United Kingdom TS19 8PE

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust (UK)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/04zzrht05

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Charity

#### **Funder Name**

Action Medical Research (UK)

#### Alternative Name(s)

action medical research for children, actionmedres, The National Fund for Research into Crippling Diseases, AMR

#### Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

#### **Funding Body Subtype**

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

#### Location

**United Kingdom** 

# **Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

## IPD sharing plan summary

#### **Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	01/12/2011		Yes	No
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes