

# A randomised controlled trial of pain experienced during the injection of intralesional steroid with or without prior cryoanalgesia

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| 30/09/2004               | No longer recruiting                | <input type="checkbox"/> Protocol                    |
| <b>Registration date</b> | <b>Overall study status</b>         | <input type="checkbox"/> Statistical analysis plan   |
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| 25/04/2012               | Skin and Connective Tissue Diseases |  |

## 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

N0205134575

## Study information

### Scientific Title

**Study objectives**

Does cryoanalgesia reduce the pain associated with intralesional steroid injection? Cryoanalgesia is a well-documented technique for reducing pain preceding local anaesthetics by many years. However, the introduction of new anaesthetics and techniques, has reduced its use. Patients worry about steroid injections and one possibility is that of the pain caused by the injections. The aim of our study is to compare the pain experienced on steroid injection of the keloid scar, with and without prior cryoanalgesia.

**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**

Skin and Connective Tissue Diseases: Keloid scars

**Interventions**

A randomised prospective clinical trial.

Subjects: patients who are scheduled for intralesional injection of their keloid scars

Methods: patients to be randomised into two groups to either receive application of ice pack or not, prior to steroid injection

Results: does cryoanalgesia reduce the pain experienced on administration of the steroid injection?

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

A visual analogue scale will be completed to and after the steroid injection and the subjects will be asked to rate the pain experienced. Pain scores will then be compared between the groups.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

01/04/2004

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

Patients over the age of 18 who are scheduled to receive intralesional steroid injections as part of their treatment for keloid scarring. This will include patients within the Greater London Area.

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Adult

## Lower age limit

18 years

## Sex

Not Specified

## Key exclusion criteria

Does not match inclusion criteria

## Date of first enrolment

01/10/2003

## Date of final enrolment

01/04/2004

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

## Study participating centre

Plastic Surgery

London

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# Sponsor information

**Organisation**  
Department of Health

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**  
Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name**  
Barts and The London 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? |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <a href="#">Results article</a>               | results                       | 01/12/2003   |            | Yes            | No              |
| <a href="#">Participant information sheet</a> | Participant information sheet | 11/11/2025   | 11/11/2025 | No             | Yes             |