# Female fertility after laparoscopic pouch surgery

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

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EudraCT/CTIS number

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ClinicalTrials.gov number

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# Study information

#### Scientific Title

Is postoperative first pregnancy rate higher after laparoscopic restorative proctocolectomy than after open restorative proctocolectomy?

#### **Study objectives**

Adhesions to the fallopian tubes are thought to be the main cause of infertility after ileal pouchanal anastomosis (IPAA) surgery, a so-called 'tubal factor infertility'. Recent studies demonstrated a significant decrease in adhesion formation after laparoscopic abdominal surgery. Based on those study results, our hypothesis is that a higher pregnancy rate will be observed after laparoscopic IPAA compared to open IPAA, due to a reduction in adhesions of the Fallopian tubes

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

The study protocol was approved by the ethics committee of the University Hospitals of the Catholic University in Leuven, Belgium on 30 November 2010, (B32220109939)

In the Netherlands ethics approval is not required for this study design.

#### Study design

Observational multicentre cross-sectional design

**Primary study design** Observational

**Secondary study design** Non randomised controlled trial

#### Study setting(s)

Hospital

### Study type(s)

Screening

#### 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

Restorative proctocolectomy and pregnancy

#### Interventions

1. All potential participants will be contacted for consent and thereupon a questionnaire will be sent

2. The questionnaire is developed by the departments of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and the department of Surgery at the Academic Medical Centre and it addresses patients general medical history and their desire for children both before and after IPAA

3. If patients report that there ever was a desire for children, fertility and obstetric history will be inquired after in detail

4. All self-reported patient data will subsequently be verified and completed by checking the available medical records at the hospital of the IPAA

5. Pregnancy is defined as a clinical pregnancy i.e. the presence of a fetus with a heartbeat demonstrated by ultrasound

6. Time to pregnancy is defined as the number of cycles or months between stopping contraceptives until pregnancy occurred, defined as the first day of the last menstrual period 7. Most likely, several patients will report more than one pregnancy, these pregnancies however cannot be considered as independent and therefore only the time to first pregnancy will be used in this study

8. Kaplan-Meier survival curves will be plotted for time to first pregnancy after laparoscopic or open IPAA and will be compared with a log-rank test

#### Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

#### Phase

Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome measure

Time (months) to first natural pregnancy after IPAA

#### Secondary outcome measures

1. Time (months) to any first pregnancy after IPAA, including pregnancies after fertility treatment

2. Subgroup analyses are planned for UC and FAP patients separately, since previous studies have shown different fertility outcomes after IPAA for these groups of patients

#### Overall study start date

01/02/2010

#### **Completion date**

01/04/2011

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

1. All living females who had IPAA between 1993 - 2009

- 2. IPAA in one of three tertiary referral centres in Belgium and the Netherlands
- 3. IPAA could be single- or two-stage and laparoscopic or open
- 4. At the time of IPAA patients had to be under 41 years of age

5. At the time of the study patients had to be 18 years or older

**Participant type(s)** Patient

**Age group** Adult

**Lower age limit** 18 Years **Sex** Female

**Target number of participants** A prestudy survey of all 570 IPAAs carried out between 1993 and 2009 in the 3 centres, showed 179 eligible patients.

#### Key exclusion criteria

Refusal to participate
Does not meet inclusion criteria

Date of first enrolment 01/02/2010

Date of final enrolment 01/04/2011

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment** Belgium

Netherlands

**Study participating centre Academic Medical Centre** Amsterdam Netherlands 1105 AZ

## Sponsor information

**Organisation** Academic Medical Centre (Netherlands)

**Sponsor details** Department of Surgery Meibergdreef 9 Amsterdam Netherlands 1105 AZ

**Sponsor type** Hospital/treatment centre Website http://www.amc.nl/

ROR https://ror.org/03t4gr691

## Funder(s)

**Funder type** University/education

**Funder Name** Academic Medical Centre (Netherlands)

## **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	cross sectional study results	01/12/2012		Yes	No