

# A randomised study to compare the effectiveness of hyoscine hydrobromide (Hyoscine) and glycopyrronium (Robinul) in the management of noisy breathing/retained secretions in cancer patients

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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

N0258107515

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

A randomised study to compare the effectiveness of hyoscine hydrobromide (Hyoscine) and glycopyrronium (Robinul) in the management of noisy breathing/retained secretions in cancer patients

**Study objectives**

1. To compare the effectiveness of both hyoscine hydrobromide and glycopyrronium at relieving retained secretions at the time of death.
2. To test feasibility of the advanced 'consent process'.

**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)**

Other

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

Cancer: Noisy breathing, retained secretions

**Interventions**

Randomised test intervention versus standardised intervention, non-blinded (Phase 3).

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Phase III

**Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Hyoscine hydrobromide, glycopyrronium

**Primary outcome(s)**

1. Provide an evidence base for common practice
2. Provide a means of obtaining consent for research in dying patients

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

28/02/2005

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

Total number of Royal Marsden Hospital patients 205

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Not Specified

## Sex

Not Specified

## Key exclusion criteria

Does not match inclusion criteria

## Date of first enrolment

28/02/2002

## Date of final enrolment

28/02/2005

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

Australia

## Study participating centre

Mater Adult Hospital

South Brisbane

Australia

Qld 4101

# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Department of Health (UK)

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Charity

## Funder Name

The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust (UK) Charitable Funds

# 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="#">Participant information sheet</a>	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes