# Stapled mesh stoma reinforcement technique (SMART) to prevent parastomal herniation

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# Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

A stoma is an opening on the outer surface of the abdomen that is surgically created after removal of part of the bowel or urinary system to divert urine or feces into an external pouch. A parastomal hernia occurs when a weakness in the abdominal wall muscles allows tissue to protrude out, creating a bulge around the stoma. The aim of this study is to find out whether creation of the stoma trephine by a stapling technique together with mesh reinforcement can simplify the reinforcement procedure and reduce the incidence of parastomal herniation compared to standard techniques, whether the stoma is constructed by open or laparoscopic (keyhole) techniques.

Who can participate?

Patients aged 18 and over who require a permanent stoma due to bowel disease

## What does the study involve?

Participants are randomly allocated into two groups. One group undergoes standard stoma formation with no reinforcement. The other group receives a stapled trephine with mesh reinforcement. This involves use of a circular stapling device to form and simultaneously reinforce the abdominal wall stoma with mesh. The rate of parastomal herniation is assessed at 24 months after surgery.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating? Not provided at time of registration

Where is the study run from?

- 1. The Royal London Hospital (UK)
- 2. Whipps Cross University Hospital (UK)
- 3. The Royal Free NHS Foundation Trust (UK)
- 4. The Royal United Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (UK)
- 5. Hospital de Sagunto (Spain)
- 6. Klinikum Chemnitz (Germany)
- 7. Diakoniekrankenhaus Chemnitzer Land (Germany)
- 8. Rotkreuzklinikum München (Germany)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? April 2011 to September 2020

Who is funding the study? 1. Ileostomy and Internal Pouch Support Group (UK) 2. Enteric Healthcare Technology Co-operative

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# **Contact information**

**Type(s)** Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

**Secondary identifying numbers** Protocol Number 4.0

# Study information

# Scientific Title

A randomised controlled trial of Stapled Mesh stomA Reinforcement Technique (SMART) versus standard technique to assess effect on parastomal herniation

#### Acronym

#### SMART

#### **Study objectives**

Creation of the stoma trephine by a stapling technique together with mesh reinforcement can simplify the reinforcement procedure and reduce the incidence of parastomal herniation compared to standard techniques, irrespective whether the stoma is constructed by open or laparoscopic techniques.

# Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)** West London Research Ethics Committee, 19/01/2011, ref: 10/H0706/92

**Study design** Randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design** Interventional

**Secondary study design** Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s) Hospital

**Study type(s)** Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details to request a patient information sheet

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

Parastomal herniation

#### Interventions

Patients who require permanent colostomy or ileostomy will be randomised into two groups: 1. Standard stoma formation, no reinforcement

2. Stapled trephine with mesh reinforcement. This involves use of a circular stapling device (Compact , Frankenman) to form and simultaneously reinforce the abdominal wall stoma with mesh

## Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

## Primary outcome measure

Current primary outcome measures:

The rate of clinically evident parastomal herniation at 24 months post operatively, as assessed by a local investigator blinded to treatment allocation

Previous primary outcome measures:

1. The rate of clinical herniation evaluated clinically at discharge and at 1, 12, 24 and 60 months post operatively

2. The radiological incidence of herniation detected by computerised tomography (CT) scan at

12, 24 and 60 months after surgery

## Secondary outcome measures

Current secondary outcome measures:

1. The rate of clinically evident parastomal herniation evaluated at all other time points (annually up to a maximum of 5 years), as assessed by a local investigator blinded to treatment allocation 2. The rate of herniation as detected by computerised tomography (CT) scan or other radiological examinations of the abdomen, evaluated at 12 and 24 months after surgery

3. Harms including perioperative morbidity (assessed clinically at hospital discharge and at 6 weeks), 30-day mortality and long-term complications

4. The ease of the technique compared with the standard technique, evaluated by bespoke surgeon questionnaire at surgery

5. Quality of life assessed using EuroQol EQ-5D-3L questionnaires preoperatively and at 12 and 24 months post-operatively

Previous secondary outcome measures:

1. Complications associated with the techniques used for the procedures, evaluated at discharge and at 1, 12, 24 and 60 months post operatively

2. The ease of the technique compared with the standard technique

3. Cost/benefit analysis comparing the cost of the stapled reinforcement technique with Vypro® mesh to the standard technique

4. Quality of life assessed using SF36 version 2 and EuroQol EQ-5D questionnaires preoperatively and at 1, 12, 24 and 60 months post-operatively

# Overall study start date

02/04/2011

## **Completion date**

30/09/2020

# Reason abandoned (if study stopped)

Protocol violations

# Eligibility

# Key inclusion criteria

Current inclusion criteria as of 20/09/2017:

- 1. Require an elective permanent stoma due to benign or malignant bowel disease
- 2. Have given written informed consent
- 3. Be aged 18 and over
- 4. Able to read and understand English (or language of country of research site)
- 5. Agree to the randomised procedure
- 6. If of childbearing potential, must have given a negative pregnancy test
- 7. Negative Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) screening test

Previous inclusion criteria:

1. Require an elective permanent stoma due to bowel disease

- 2. Have given written informed consent
- 3. Be aged 18 (or be of the age of consent in the country applicable) and over
- 4. Agree to the randomised procedure
- 5. If of childbearing potential, must have given a negative pregnancy test

#### Participant type(s)

Patient

#### Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Both

# Target number of participants

116

## Key exclusion criteria

Current exclusion criteria as of 20/09/2017:

- 1. Is taking part in another clinical study which directly relates to this study
- 2. Stoma re-siting
- 3. Has a history of parastomal herniation.
- 4. Is suffering from an uncontrolled metabolic or systemic illness (e.g. diabetes or rheumatoid arthritis or any immunological disease) as determined by their responsible physician/surgeon.
- 5. A diagnosis of mentally limiting conditions such as Alzheimer's or intellectual disabilty
- 6. Has clostridium difficile infection resulting in pseudomembraneous colitis
- 7. Has abdominal wall sepsis

Previous exclusion criteria:

1. Is taking part in another clinical study which directly relates to this study

2. If a patient is taking part in a non-related study, the investigator should discuss with the management team

3. Has a history of parastomal herniation. Such patients will not be randomised but will be offered stoma resiting and mesh reinforcement and followed-up prospectively according to this protocol.

4. Is suffering from an untreated metabolic or systemic illness (e.g. diabetes or rheumatoid arthritis or any immunological disease)

5. A diagnosis of mentally limiting conditions such as Alzheimer's or mental retardation or is unable to understand all study requirements

6. Has Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) or Clostridium difficile infection

7. Has abdominal wall sepsis

8. Pregnant

## Date of first enrolment

02/04/2011

Date of final enrolment 01/02/2018

# Locations

**Countries of recruitment** England

Germany

Spain

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre Academic Surgical Unit** The Royal London Hospital Whitechapel Road London

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**Sponsor type** University/education

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# Funder(s)

**Funder type** Charity

**Funder Name** Ileostomy and Internal Pouch Support Group (UK)

**Funder Name** Enteric Healthcare Technology Co-operative

# **Results and Publications**

**Publication and dissemination plan** Planned publication in a high-impact peer reviewed journal

Intention to publish date 30/09/2021

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

**IPD sharing plan summary** Not provided at time of registration