

Surgery versus Active Monitoring for LOW RISK Ductal Carcinoma in Situ (DCIS)

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Registration date 22/05/2014	Overall study status Ongoing	☐ Statistical analysis plan ☐ Results
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Plain English summary of protocol

<http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/trials/a-trial-comparing-surgery-with-active-monitoring-for-low-risk-dcis-loris>

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Scientific

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16736

Study information

Scientific Title

A Phase III Trial of Surgery versus Active Monitoring for LOW RiSk Ductal Carcinoma in Situ (DCIS)

Acronym

LORIS

Study objectives

The LORIS Trial aims to establish whether patients with newly diagnosed low risk DCIS can safely avoid surgery without detriment to their wellbeing (psychological and physical) and whether those patients who do require surgery can be identified by pathological and radiological means.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

14/WM/0083; First MREC approval date 28/04/2014

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Phase III multicentre two-arm study with a built-in 2-year feasibility phase

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Ductal carcinoma in situ

Interventions

Comprehensive site training will be complimented by a patient-friendly DVD designed to ensure consistent and appropriate use of terminology. Patients will be randomised between standard surgery and active monitoring with annual mammography. Follow-up will be for a minimum of 10 years. Active Monitoring, Patients will be actively monitored by annual mammography.; Follow Up Length: 120 month(s); Study Entry : Registration and One or More Randomisations

Intervention Type

Other

Primary outcome(s)

Ipsilateral invasive breast cancer free survival rate; Timepoint(s): 5 years

Key secondary outcome(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

31/03/2030

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Current inclusion criteria as of 16/06/2026:

1. Female, aged 46 years or above
2. Screendetected or incidental microcalcification
3. Histologically confirmed diagnosis of non-high-grade DCIS confirmed by local pathologist (for both breasts if bilateral disease) by:
Small volume core biopsy and vacuum-assisted core biopsy (VACB)
Or
VACB alone as a first-line diagnostic approach
Or
Small volume biopsy or VACB plus open diagnostic surgical biopsy (without clear margins)
Or
Open diagnostic surgical biopsy (without clear margins)
(in accordance with the current NHSBSP Guidelines for Pathology Reporting in Breast Cancer Screening)
4. DCIS diagnosed ≤ 90 days before registration
5. Bilateral disease is permitted if both sides are confirmed to be non-high-grade DCIS by local pathologist and the diagnosis is made within the same treatment episode
6. Able to give informed consent and comply with the trial schedule
6. Patient fit and willing to undergo surgery
7. Written informed consent obtained

Previous inclusion criteria:

1. Female, aged 46 years or above
2. Screendetected or incidental microcalcification (unilateral or bilateral)
3. Histologically confirmed diagnosis of nonhigh grade DCIS confirmed by local pathologist on either small volume core biopsy or VACB (in accordance with the current NHSBSP Guidelines for Pathology Reporting in Breast Cancer Screening)
4. DCIS diagnosed ≤ 90 days before registration
5. Able to give informed consent and comply with the trial schedule and completion of Patient Reported Outcome questionnaires
6. Patient fit to undergo surgery
7. Written informed consent obtained

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Mixed

Lower age limit

46 Years

Upper age limit

100 Years

Sex

Female

Total final enrolment

181

Key exclusion criteria

Current exclusion criteria as of 16/06/2026:

1. Previous or current diagnosis of invasive cancer or previous ipsilateral DCIS (previous surgically treated contralateral DCIS is permitted)
2. A mass lesion clinically or on imaging which has not been proven on biopsy to be a specific benign lesion
3. Surgical procedure with curative intent (even if clear margins have not been achieved)
4. Unequivocal comedo necrosis observed
5. Any serious and/or unstable pre-existing condition that would prevent compliance with the trial or the consent process
6. Recent-onset ipsilateral bloodstained nipple discharge without benign explanation
7. High-risk group for developing breast cancer (as defined in current NICE guidelines for familial breast cancer, or due to prior exposure to mantle field radiotherapy)

Previous exclusion criteria:

1. Previous diagnosis of invasive cancer or ipsilateral DCIS (previous surgically treated contralateral DCIS is permitted)
2. A mass lesion clinically on mammogram or on ultrasound scan (if performed) at the site of the microcalcification before biopsy
3. Any serious and/or unstable preexisting medical, psychiatric, or other condition that would prevent compliance with the trial or consent process
4. Recent onset ipsilateral bloodstained nipple discharge, unless cytology and/or Ultrasound Scan (USS) confirmed concomitant duct ectasia
5. High risk group for developing breast cancer (as defined in current NICE guidelines for familial breast cancer, or due to prior exposure to mantle field radiotherapy)

Date of first enrolment

06/06/2014

Date of final enrolment

31/03/2020

Locations**Countries of recruitment**

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Organisation
University of Birmingham (UK)

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<https://ror.org/03angcq70>

Funder(s)

Funder type
Government

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Health Technology Assessment Programme; Grant Codes: 11/36/16

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NIHR Health Technology Assessment Programme, Health Technology Assessment (HTA), HTA

Funding Body Type
Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype
National government

Location
United Kingdom

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not expected to be made available

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
HRA research summary			28/06/2023	No	No
Other publications		14/10/2023	16/10/2023	Yes	No
Plain English results	Early results		20/08/2026	No	Yes