

# The Peri-Operative Epidural Trial pilot study

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

**ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)**  
NCT00221260

**Protocol serial number**  
MCT-73644

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

Peri-operative epidural in patients with moderate or high risk for cardiorespiratory events who are undergoing non-cardiothoracic surgery: a randomised controlled trial

## **Acronym**

POET

## **Study objectives**

Enrolling patients into the above study is still feasible in the current clinical setting.

## **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

## **Ethics approval(s)**

Ethics approval received from the Clinical Research Ethics Board of the University of British Columbia on the 31st March 2005.

## **Primary study design**

Interventional

## **Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

## **Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Postoperative cardio-respiratory complications

## **Interventions**

Control:

Intraoperative general anesthesia and postoperative intravenous narcotic analgesia.

Intervention:

Intraoperative neuraxial (epidural or spinal) ± general anesthesia and postoperative epidural analgesia.

Trial details received: 12 September 2005

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Specified

## **Primary outcome(s)**

Rates of enrolment, follow-up, and crossover.

## **Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Combined 30-day outcome of all-cause mortality, nonfatal myocardial infarction, cardiac arrest, postoperative pneumonia, and respiratory failure
2. Other clinical outcomes: deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolism, transient ischemic

attacks, stroke, and congestive heart failure during first 30 post-operative days

3. Safety outcomes: clinically significant bradycardia or hypotension

**Completion date**

30/04/2006

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

Any patient undergoing non-cardiopulmonary surgery who:

1. Is greater than or equal to 45 years old, either sex
2. Has an expected length of stay greater than or equal to 48 hours
3. Is undergoing a procedure amenable to postoperative epidural analgesia
4. Fulfils any six criteria for moderate to high cardiorespiratory risk

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Is pregnant or planning to become pregnant before surgery
2. Has a contraindication to epidural analgesia
3. Had a prior adverse reaction to local anesthetics or narcotics
4. Had coronary artery bypass graft surgery with complete revascularisation in the preceding 5 years and has no evidence of cardiac ischemia since the procedure
5. Has pneumonia in the preoperative period
6. Is intubated or mechanically ventilated prior to surgery
7. Has concomitant life-threatening disease likely to limit life expectancy to less than 30 days

**Date of first enrolment**

01/05/2005

**Date of final enrolment**

30/04/2006

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

Canada

**Study participating centre**  
**University of British Columbia**  
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## Sponsor information

### Organisation

Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute, University of British Columbia (Canada)

### ROR

<https://ror.org/03rmrcq20>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Research organisation

### Funder Name

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) (Canada) - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca> (ref: MCT-73644)

## 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	01/06/2009		Yes	No
<a href="#">Study website</a>	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes