

# The CReST2 Trial: Are uncovered or covered stents more effective in relieving bowel obstruction in people with colorectal cancer

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-study-looking-at-different-types-of-stent-to-treat-bowel-obstruction-in-people-with-bowel-cancer>

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## Study information

**Scientific Title**

CReST2: Colorectal Stenting Trial 2: uncovered vs covered endoluminal stenting in the acute management of obstructing colorectal cancer in the palliative setting

**Acronym**

CReST2

**Study objectives**

The aim of this study is to assess whether covered stents used for palliative patients with obstructing colorectal cancer, will result in an improved Quality of Life when compared to uncovered stents.

**Ethics approval required**

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**Ethics approval(s)**

approved 01/02/2017, North East - Tyne & Wear South Research Ethics Committee (HRA Jarrow, Rolling Mill Road, Jarrow, NE323DT, United Kingdom; +44 (0)2071048084; hra.studyregistration@nhs.net), ref: 17/NE/0027

**Study design**

Randomised; Interventional; Design type: Treatment, Device, Complex Intervention, Surgery

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Colorectal cancer

**Interventions**

The trial will compare covered with uncovered colonic stents. The trial is blinded and only the person inserting the stent will know the allocation. Randomisation will be provided by a secure online randomisation system at the coordinating centre (BCTU) and the allocation will be sent to the person inserting the stent.

The stents used in the trial are existing, commercially available products which are licensed and CE marked. Participating sites can use the stent of their choice. Stents will be inserted as a joint endoscopic/fluoroscopic procedure by individuals experienced in performing colonic stenting.

The target population are patients treated with palliative intent. Therefore, the stents will remain in-situ, unless there are complications requiring further interventions. Following stent insertion the site's standard care pathways will be followed and patients will be treated symptomatically.

Patients will be followed-up at their usual out-patient appointments and data collected for a total of 24 months.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Primary outcome(s)**

1. Quality of Life is measured using the EORTC QLQ C30 at baseline and 3 months post-stenting (30 days for patients dying before 3 months)
2. Stent patency is measured using Stent Follow Up Form (completed by site) at 6 months post-stenting

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Secondary outcome measures as of 01/10/2018:

1. Stenting success rate is measured by Stent Insertion Form (completed by site) at the time of stent insertion
2. Time to onset of stent related complications in the short term, intermediate term and long term is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (completed by site) at 30 days post stenting, 1-3 months post stenting and 3-12 months post stenting
3. Stent related complication rates of patients on chemotherapy is measured by Stent Follow Up Form at 12 months
4. Cumulative frequency and duration of stoma formation is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (as above), Intraoperative Form up to 12 months
5. Overall survival is measured by ONS data at 12 months. Stent Follow Up Forms record date of death (if applicable). However, we also obtain mortality data from ONS.
6. Cost effectiveness (cost per QALY) is measured by EQ-5D-5L; trial specific forms also collect some data which will be used to assess resource use
7. Quality of Life at 3 months measured using the QLQ-CR29 Disease Specific Module for Colorectal Cancer

Secondary outcome measures as of 12/01/2018:

1. Stenting success rate is measured by Stent Insertion Form (completed by site) at the time of stent insertion
2. Time to onset of stent related complications in the short term, intermediate term and long term is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (completed by site) at 30 days post stenting, 1-3 months post stenting and 3-12 months post stenting
3. Stent related complication rates of patients on chemotherapy is measured by Stent Follow Up Form at 12 months
4. Cumulative frequency and duration of stoma formation is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (as above), Intraoperative Form up to 12 months
5. Overall survival is measured by ONS data at 12 months. Stent Follow Up Forms record date of death (if applicable). However, we also obtain mortality data from ONS.
6. Cost effectiveness (cost per QALY) is measured by EQ-5D-5L; trial specific forms also collect some data which will be used to assess resource use

Previous secondary outcome measures:

1. Stenting success rate is measured by Stent Insertion Form (completed by site) at the time of stent insertion
2. Time to onset of stent related complications in the short term, intermediate term and long term is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (completed by site) at 30 days post stenting, 1-3 months post stenting and 3-12 months post stenting
3. Stent related complication rates of patients on chemotherapy is measured by Stent Follow Up Form at 12 months
4. Cumulative frequency and duration of stoma formation is measured by Stent Follow Up Forms (as above), Intraoperative Form up to 12 months

5. Overall survival is measured by ONS data at 12 months. Stent Follow Up Forms record date of death (if applicable). However, we also obtain mortality data from ONS.
6. Cost effectiveness (cost per QALY) is measured by all trial specific forms collect some data to be used to assess resource use (i.e. Stent Insertion, Hospital Discharge Form, Follow Up Forms, Intraoperative Form) at 24 months

**Completion date**

30/04/2025

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patients aged 16 year and over
2. Patients presenting with obstructing colorectal cancer, which is to be treated with palliative intent
3. Patients able and willing to give written informed consent

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

All

**Total final enrolment**

377

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Patients with impending or established perforation of the colon
2. Patients with low rectal cancer, i.e. a carcinoma in the lower third of the rectum
3. Patients being treated or considered for treatment with antiangiogenic drugs (e.g. bevacizumab)
4. Pregnant patients

**Date of first enrolment**

16/06/2017

**Date of final enrolment**

30/04/2022

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

Northern Ireland

Scotland

Wales

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**ROR**

<https://ror.org/00he80998>

**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Government

### Funder Name

National Institute for Health Research

### Alternative Name(s)

National Institute for Health Research, NIHR Research, NIHRresearch, NIHR - National Institute for Health Research, NIHR (The National Institute for Health and Care Research), NIHR

### Funding Body Type

Government organisation

### Funding Body Subtype

National government

### Location

United Kingdom

## Results and Publications

### Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The current data sharing plans for the current study are unknown and will be made available at a later date.

### IPD sharing plan summary

Data sharing statement to be made available at a later date

### Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>		02/09/2025	23/09/2025	Yes	No
<a href="#">HRA research summary</a>			28/06/2023	No	No
<a href="#">Participant information sheet</a>	version V1	19/12/2016	20/03/2017	No	Yes
<a href="#">Study website</a>	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes