

# Early External Cephalic Version (ECV) 2 trial

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

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## Additional identifiers

**ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)**  
NCT00141687

**Protocol serial number**  
MCT-65630

## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
Early External Cephalic Version (ECV) 2 trial

**Acronym**

EECV2

**Study objectives**

1. For women with a foetus in breech presentation, does early External Cephalic Version (ECV) (at 34<sup>0/7</sup> - 35<sup>6/7</sup> weeks) versus delayed ECV (not before 37<sup>0/7</sup> weeks) increase or decrease the likelihood of Caesarean Section (CS)?
2. Is the risk of preterm birth (less than 37<sup>0/7</sup> weeks) lower or higher with early versus delayed ECV?

Protocol can be found at: [http://sunnybrook.ca/uploads/sri\\_cmicr\\_eecv2\\_protocol\\_en.pdf](http://sunnybrook.ca/uploads/sri_cmicr_eecv2_protocol_en.pdf)

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

1. The University of British Columbia Clinical Research Ethics Board, 18/08/2004, ref. no.: C04-0348, amendment 06/10/2004
2. Research Ethics Board of Hamilton Health Sciences Research Ethics Board, 20/03/2007, ref: 07-122

**Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Prevention

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

Pregnancies with a foetus in breech presentation

**Interventions**

Women will be randomised to have either an early ECV at 34 - 35 weeks gestation, or a delayed ECV at or after 37 weeks gestation

On 01/01/2007 the sponsor changed from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) to the current sponsor, the McMaster University Medical Centre (see below).

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Primary outcome(s)**

Rate of CS.

Outcomes will be measured at two planned interim analyses:

1. After 500 participants were recruited (analysis complete 02/2007)
2. After 900 participants were recruited (analysis expected to be complete 01/2008)
3. After the full sample of 1460 participants have been recruited

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

1. Rate of preterm birth
2. Other outcomes include admission to neonatal intensive care unit more than or equal to 24 hours, perinatal or neonatal mortality or serious neonatal morbidity, serious foetal complications, maternal death or serious maternal morbidity, non-cephalic presentation at birth, women's views, and health care costs

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2. After 900 participants were recruited (analysis expected to be complete 01/2008)
3. After the full sample of 1460 participants have been recruited

### **Completion date**

31/12/2008

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Women with any breech presentation, aged 18 - 49 years old
2. A live singleton foetus
3. Gestational age of 33<sup>0/7</sup> - 35<sup>6/7</sup> weeks

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Lower age limit**

18 years

### **Sex**

Female

### **Key exclusion criteria**

1. Any contraindication to ECV
2. Previous participation in the EECV2 Trial
3. Any contraindication to early ECV
4. Women who wish a vaginal delivery if the foetus remains breech

5. Any contraindication to labour or vaginal birth
6. Women who wish to deliver by Caesarean Section (CS) if the foetus turns to cephalic
7. Women at increased risk of unstable lie

Please note that the following exclusion criteria was removed from this list on 06/11/2007:

8. Women who plan to move to a non-trial centre prior to delivery

**Date of first enrolment**

01/12/2004

**Date of final enrolment**

01/07/2008

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Argentina

Australia

Brazil

Canada

Chile

Egypt

Germany

Hungary

Ireland

Israel

Jordan

Netherlands

Poland

United States of America

**Study participating centre**

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

McMaster University Medical Centre (Canada)

## ROR

<https://ror.org/05jyrng31>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Research organisation

## Funder Name

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) (Canada), ref: MCT-65630

## Alternative Name(s)

Instituts de Recherche en Santé du Canada, The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Canadian Institutes of Health Research | Ottawa ON, CIHR - Welcome to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, CIHR, IRSC

## Funding Body Type

Government organisation

## Funding Body Subtype

National government

## Location

Canada

# Results and Publications

## Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

### IPD sharing plan summary

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/04/2011		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	26/09/2014		Yes	No

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