

# A multicentre trial to evaluate the use of serial carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA) assay as the prime indicator for second-look surgery in recurrent colorectal cancer

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<b>Registration date</b> 01/07/2001	<b>Overall study status</b> Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> Protocol
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results
		<input type="checkbox"/> Individual participant data

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

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**  
CRCGICEA

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

**Study objectives**

Not provided at time of registration

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

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

Colon, rectum

**Interventions**

All patients receive primary potentially curative surgery. Patients are randomised if a significant rise in serum CEA is detected to either:

1. Conventional Arm: Observation only. The patient is monitored until there is clinical evidence of recurrent disease. The clinician is not informed of the rise in serum CEA.
2. Aggressive Arm : The surgeon is informed of the rise in serum CEA, and in the absence of objective evidence either of a non-malignant cause for the CEA rise or of incurable distant metastases, second-look laparotomy is carried out to locate and remove treatable recurrence.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

31/12/2000

**Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Aged 75 or under
2. Potentially curative resection performed for colorectal adenocarcinoma
3. No evidence of distant incurable spread (clinically or at surgery)
4. No evidence of hepatic, renal, pancreatic or infective disease
5. Willing to attend regular CEA monitoring in addition to clinical follow-up for 5 years

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex****Key exclusion criteria**

Not provided at time of registration

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/1998

**Date of final enrolment**

31/12/2000

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

Cancer Research UK (CRUK) (UK)

ROR

<https://ror.org/054225q67>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Charity

### Funder Name

Cancer Research UK

### Alternative Name(s)

CR\_UK, Cancer Research UK - London, Cancer Research UK (CRUK), CRUK

### Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

### Funding Body Subtype

Other non-profit organizations

### Location

United Kingdom

## 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	13/05/2014		Yes	No