

Partial prostate Ablation versus Radical prosTatectomy

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Plain English summary of protocol

<http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-trial-looking-at-high-intensity-focused-ultrasound-or-surgery-treat-prostate-cancer-contained-one-part-prostate-gland-part>

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Study information

Scientific Title

A randomised controlled trial of Partial prostate Ablation versus Radical prostatectomy (PART) in intermediate risk unilateral clinically localised prostate cancer - a feasibility study

Acronym

PART

Study objectives

The findings of an HTA systematic review 10/136/01: Ablative therapy for men with localised prostate cancer, which is due to publish shortly, conclude that the role of focal therapies in the management of men with localised prostate cancer should be investigated. It may be desirable to incorporate the focal approach into a multicentre RCT, with long-term follow-up and would include predefined assessment of cancer specific, dysfunction and health-related quality of life measures.

Our hypothesis is that a significant proportion of these patients would benefit from focal therapy with minimally invasive rather than radical procedures, with less morbidity, improved QoL, and reduced cost without compromising treatment effectiveness. If this can be established, ablative procedures could eventually replace conventional radical treatments in suitable patients and reduce the burden of treating the disease for the patients and the NHS.

More details can be found at <http://www.nets.nihr.ac.uk/projects/hta/123554>

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

South Central - Berkshire, 22/12/2014

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Prospective multi-centre parallel-group randomised controlled trial

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Prostate cancer

Interventions

Partial Ablation (PA) versus Radical prostatectomy (RP). Randomization is on a 1:1 basis and follow-up will be over 3 years:

In patients randomised to RP:

1. Routine removal of catheter at 10-14 days
2. Follow up in the clinic at six weeks post-surgery as per routine NHS care. This will include a

PSA blood test and the following questionnaires will be presented to the patient:-

- 2.1. IIEF-15 Questionnaire
- 2.2. IPSS Questionnaire
- 2.3. UCLA-EPIC urinary continence and Bowel Questionnaire
- 2.4. EQ-5D-5L
- 2.5. FACT-P Version 4
- 2.6. The Modified 18-term Memorial Anxiety Scale for Prostate Cancer
- 2.7. Resource Utilisation Questionnaire

3. Followed up in the clinic every three months post-surgery in the first year and then every 6 months as per routine NHS care. PSA blood tests will be carried out every 3 months of 2 years. The following questionnaires will be presented to them at 3, 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 30 and 36 months follow-up:

- 3.1. IIEF-15 Questionnaire
- 3.2. IPSS Questionnaire
- 3.3. UCLA-EPIC urinary continence and Bowel Questionnaire
- 3.4. EQ-5D-5L
- 3.5. FACT-P Version 4
- 3.6. The Modified 18-term Memorial Anxiety Scale for Prostate Cancer
- 3.7. Resource Utilisation Questionnaire

If at any point disease progression is suspected (rising PSA ≥ 0.2) the patient will be restaged.

In patients randomised to PA:

1. Routine removal of catheter at 7 days
2. Study specific care includes an mpMRI at two weeks
3. Followed up routinely at six weeks post-surgery as per routine NHS care. This will include a PSA blood test and the following questionnaires will be presented to the patient:-

- 3.1. IIEF-15 Questionnaire
- 3.2. IPSS Questionnaire
- 3.3. UCLA-EPIC urinary continence and Bowel Questionnaire
- 3.4. EQ-5D-5L
- 3.5. FACT-P Version 4
- 3.6. The Modified 18-term Memorial Anxiety Scale for Prostate Cancer
- 3.7. Resource Utilisation Questionnaire

4. Followed up in the clinic every three months post-surgery for the first year and then every 6 months as per routine NHS care. PSA blood tests will be carried out every 3 months of 2 years. The following questionnaires will be presented to them at 3, 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 30 and 36 months follow-up:

- 4.1. IIEF-15 Questionnaire
 - 4.2. IPSS Questionnaire
 - 4.3. UCLA-EPIC urinary continence and Bowel Questionnaire
 - 4.4. EQ-5D-5L
 - 4.5. FACT-P Version 4
 - 4.6. The Modified 18-term Memorial Anxiety Scale for Prostate Cancer
 - 4.7. Resource Utilisation Questionnaire
5. Study specific care includes an mpMRI at twelve months
 6. Study specific care includes transrectal biopsies at twelve months
 7. Study specific care includes an mpMRI at three years
 8. Study specific care includes transrectal biopsies at three years

Intervention Type

Procedure/Surgery

Primary outcome(s)

Current primary outcome measures as of 20/09/2016:

1. Randomisation of 80 participants within the proposed timelines
2. Uptake of randomisation of 50% among eligible and invited patients

Previous primary outcome measures:

1. Randomisation of 100 participants within the proposed timelines
2. Uptake of randomisation of 50% among eligible and invited patients

Key secondary outcome(s)

Added 07/03/2016:

Findings of the Qualitative Recruitment Investigation (QRI)

Completion date

01/01/2020

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Current inclusion criteria as of 11/02/2016:

1. Men with unilateral clinically significant intermediate risk prostate cancer or dominant unilateral clinically significant intermediate risk & small contralateral low-risk disease:
 - 1.1. Gleason grade score 7 (3+4 or 4+3)
 - 1.2. High volume Gleason grade score 6 (> 4mm cancer core length)
 - 1.3. PSA $\leq$ 20 ng/ml
 - 1.4. Clinical $\leq$ T2b disease
2. Life expectancy of $\geq$ 10 years
3. Fit, eligible and normally destined for radical surgery
4. No concomitant cancer
5. No previous treatment of their prostate cancer
6. An understanding of the English language sufficient to understand written and verbal information about the trial, its consent process and the study questionnaires

Previous inclusion criteria:

1. Men with unilateral clinically significant intermediate risk prostate cancer:
 - 1.1. Gleason grade score 7 (3+4 or 4+3)
 - 1.2. And/or > 4mm cancer core length
 - 1.3. PSA $\leq$ 20 ng/ml
 - 1.4. - $\leq$ T2b disease
2. Fit and eligible for radical surgery
3. No concomitant cancer
4. No previous treatment of their prostate cancer

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

Male

Key exclusion criteria

Current exclusion criteria as of 11/02/2016:

1. Unfit for radical surgery
2. Significant bilateral disease
3. Low risk disease [Gleason score 6 or less, PSA 10ng/ml]
4. High risk disease [Gleason score 8 or greater, PSA >20ng/ml]
5. Clinical T3 disease
6. Men who have received previous active therapy for prostate cancer
7. Men with evidence of extra prostate disease
8. Men with an inability to tolerate a transrectal ultrasound
9. Men with latex allergy
10. Men who have undergone a Transurethral Resection of the Prostate (TURP) for symptomatic lower urinary tract symptoms within 6 months.
11. Metal implants/stents in the urethra
12. Prostatic calcification and cysts which interfere with effective delivery of HIFU
13. Men with renal impairment and a GFR <35ml/min
14. Unable to give consent to participate in the trial as judged by the attending clinicians

Previous exclusion criteria:

1. Unfit for radical surgery as assessed by Consultant Anaesthetist
2. Significant bilateral disease
3. Low risk disease [Gleason score 6 or less, PSA 10ng/ml or less, less than 4mm total cancer on biopsy]
4. High risk disease [Gleason score 8 or greater, PSA >20ng/ml, T2c stage or higher]
5. Men who have had previous radiation therapy
6. Men who have had androgen suppression/hormone treatment within the previous 12 months for their prostate cancer
7. Men who have had previous HIFU, cryosurgery, thermal or microwave therapy to the prostate.
8. Men with evidence of metastatic disease or nodal disease outside the prostate on bone scan or cross-sectional imaging
9. Men with an inability to tolerate a transrectal ultrasound or men with latex allergies as the HIFU probe is covered with a latex condom sheath prior to insertion into the back passage
10. Men who have undergone prior significant rectal surgery preventing insertion of trans-rectal HIFU probe (decided on the type of surgery in individual cases)
11. Men who have undergone a Transurethral Resection of the Prostate (TURP) for symptomatic lower urinary tract symptoms within 6 months. These patients may be included within the trial if deferred from consenting and screening until at least 6 months following the TURP.
12. Presence of metal implants/stents in the urethra
13. Presence of prostatic calcification and cysts (on transrectal ultrasound) whose location will interfere with effective delivery of HIFU therapy
14. Men with renal impairment with a GFR of <35ml/min (unable to tolerate Gadolinium dynamic contrast enhanced MRI)
15. Unable to provide informed consent (eg because of cognitive impairment)

Date of first enrolment

01/01/2015

Date of final enrolment

31/03/2017

Locations**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

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Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

National government

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?
Results article	results	01/09/2018		Yes	No
Plain English results			11/05/2023	No	Yes
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes