

# Stereotactic body radiation therapy pre-operatively for borderline resectable pancreatic cancer

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## Plain English summary of protocol

<http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/find-a-clinical-trial/a-trial-looking-at-stereotactic-body-radiotherapy-before-surgery-for-pancreatic-cancer-sparc>

## Study website

<https://www.oncology.ox.ac.uk/clinical-trials/oncology-clinical-trials-office-octo/completed-trials/SPARC>

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IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number  
NCT02308722

Secondary identifying numbers  
OCTO\_054; 18496

**Study information****Scientific Title**

A phase I trial of pre-operative, margin intensive, stereotactic body radiation therapy for pancreatic cancer

**Acronym**

SPARC: SBRT pre-operatively for pancreatic cancer

**Study objectives**

This study aims to test the safety and efficacy of pre-operative stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT), and to establish the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) of margin-intensive SBRT delivered pre-operatively in the surgical management of pancreatic cancer.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

NRES Committee South Central Oxford B, ref: 15/SC/0059

**Study design**

Non-randomised; Interventional; Design type: Treatment

**Primary study design**

Interventional

## **Secondary study design**

Non randomised study

## **Study setting(s)**

Hospital

## **Study type(s)**

Treatment

## **Participant information sheet**

Not available in web format, please use contact details to request a patient information sheet

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

Topic: Cancer; Subtopic: Upper Gastro-Intestinal Cancer; Disease: Pancreas

## **Interventions**

Current interventions as of 10/05/2018:

This is a single-arm prospective phase I dose escalation radiation study investigating 5-fraction stereotactic radiotherapy prior to planned surgical resection in borderline resectable or resectable pancreatic cancer. If we achieve the MTD then we will recruit up to 24 patients from 5 UK centres (Oxford, Leeds, Glasgow, Nottingham and Newcastle). Eligible patients will receive 5 fractions of stereotactic radiotherapy over 5-8 days, and surgery, if appropriate, will take place 5-6 weeks after radiotherapy. Patients will be on the study for approximately 36 weeks from registration on the study to the end of treatment visit (last protocol visit).

Previous interventions:

This is a single-arm prospective phase I dose escalation radiation study investigating 5-fraction stereotactic radiotherapy prior to planned surgical resection in borderline resectable pancreatic cancer.

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## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Phase I

## **Primary outcome measure**

Current primary outcome measure as of 10/05/2018:

Maximum Tolerated Dose (MTD); Timepoint(s): 30 days post-surgery for patients proceeding to surgery or 3 months post SBRT for patients not proceeding to surgery.

Previous primary outcome measure:

Maximum Tolerated Dose (MTD); Timepoint(s): 30 days post-surgery

## Secondary outcome measures

Current secondary outcome measures as of 10/05/2018:

1. Resection rates: Definitive resection rate. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - surgery
2. Resection margin status: R0/R1/R2 resection margin rates. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - pathological specimen evaluated at surgery
3. Response rates: Rate of pathological complete response. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - pathological specimen evaluation post operation
4. Late SBRT toxicity (>1 month to 6 months post-surgery or to 6 months post SBRT for patients not proceeding to surgery): Any Late GI AE/other AE > grade 2 CTCAE v4.03. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - post-surgery visits >1 month, 3 months and 6 months or 3 and 6 months post-SBRT for patients not proceeding to surgery
5. Efficacy and long term safety of SBRT delivered pre-operatively in the management of pancreatic cancer: Overall survival and progression free survival at 12 and 24 months post D1 SBRT. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point -12 and 24m FU
6. To investigate if a relationship between imaging and pathology can be established: Differences between R0 as predicted by CT + MRI + PET pre-SBRT, post-SBRT and pathology findings. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - post-surgery
7. To explore possible immune-related responses to SBRT in pancreatic cancer: Changes in levels of interferon-related RNA and cytological markers of the innate and adaptive immune response before and during SBRT in pancreatic cancer. Timepoint(s) of evaluation of this end point - before, during and after SBRT

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## Overall study start date

01/11/2014

## Completion date

01/03/2019

## Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

Current participant inclusion criteria as of 10/05/2018:

1. Borderline resectable localised tumour of the pancreatic head/uncinate process/body as per NCCN Guidelines (tumours of the tail of pancreas are not eligible for inclusion) or operable tumour in contact with or operable tumour in contact with, as defined by CT +/-MRI +/-PET criteria within 28+/-7 days prior to trial entry de novo or following chemotherapy.
2. Histologically proven pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma or cytological proven pancreatic malignancy
3. Able to undergo biliary drainage using a stent
4. Deemed fit and suitable for surgical resection
5. No overt metastases or uncertain status with investigations suspicious of possible metastatic disease (e.g. small equivocal pulmonary nodule(s)).
6. Male or female, Age = 16 years
7. Life expectancy of at least 6 months
7. ECOG performance status 0-1
8. The patient is willing and able to comply with the protocol for the duration of the study, and scheduled followup visits and examinations
9. Written (signed and dated) informed consent and be capable of cooperating with protocol
10. Haematological and biochemical indices within given ranges

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

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Lower age limit**

18 Years

### **Sex**

Both

### **Target number of participants**

Planned Sample Size: 24; UK Sample Size: 24

### **Total final enrolment**

**Key exclusion criteria**

Current participant exclusion criteria as of 10/05/2018:

1. Definite metastatic disease or local disease that cannot be encompassed in the SBRT field
2. History of previous or concurrent malignancy diagnoses for which the expected prognosis is likely to be worse than that of the current diagnosis of pancreatic cancer (excludes for example: e.g. localised prostate cancer, early colorectal cancer, early breast cancer, curatively-treated basal cell carcinoma of skin, carcinoma in situ of cervix; curatively treated cancer of other sites who are recurrence free for >3 years)
3. Serious medical or psychological condition precluding trial intervention
4. Previous upper abdominal or chest wall radiotherapy
5. Pregnancy. Pregnant or breastfeeding women or women of childbearing potential unless effective methods of contraception are used.
6. Any other psychological, social or medical condition, physical examination finding or laboratory abnormality that the Investigator considers makes the patient a poor trial candidate or could interfere with protocol compliance or the interpretation of the trial results.

Previous participant exclusion criteria:

1. Distant metastatic disease or local disease that cannot be encompassed in the SBRT field
2. History of previous or concurrent malignancy diagnoses (except curatively-treated basal cell carcinoma of skin, carcinoma in situ of cervix; curatively treated cancer of other sites who are recurrence free for  $\geq 3$  years)
3. Serious medical or psychological condition precluding neoadjuvant treatment and surgical resection
4. Previous upper abdominal or chest wall radiotherapy
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6. Any other psychological, social or medical condition, physical examination finding or laboratory abnormality that the Investigator considers makes the patient a poor trial candidate or could interfere with protocol compliance or the interpretation of the trial results.

**Date of first enrolment**

17/04/2015

**Date of final enrolment**

22/03/2018

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

England

Scotland

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre**

**Churchill Hospital**  
Oxford  
United Kingdom  
OX3 9DU

**Study participating centre**  
**The Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre**  
Glasgow  
United Kingdom  
G12 0YN

**Study participating centre**  
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**Study participating centre**  
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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/ctrq/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/052gg0110>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

Cancer Research UK

**Alternative Name(s)**

CR\_UK, Cancer Research UK - London, CRUK

**Funding Body Type**

Private sector organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

Other non-profit organizations

**Location**

United Kingdom

## **Results and Publications**

**Publication and dissemination plan**

Data from all sites will be analysed together and published as soon as possible. Individual participating PIs may not publish data concerning their participants which are directly relevant to questions posed by the trial until the TMG has published its report. The TMG will form the basis of the writing committee and advise on the nature of publications, subject to the Sponsor's requirements.

**Intention to publish date**

31/01/2019

## Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

## 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="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	13/09/2016		Yes	No
<a href="#">Abstract results</a>	abstract	01/02/2018		No	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/02/2021	29/09/2021	Yes	No
<a href="#">Plain English results</a>		01/03/2022	02/03/2022	No	Yes
<a href="#">HRA research summary</a>			28/06/2023	No	No