

Examples of activities undertaken by 2018 UK DCTN Trainee Groups

Group	Illustrative Examples of Activities
<p>Does cleansing with 4% chlorhexidine wash for 3 consecutive days prior to, or following an excision with primary closure reduce the incidence of post-operative surgical site infection (SSI) compared to placebo, with a follow up period of 6 weeks post-procedure?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinician surveys to BSDS and UK DCTN membership • Literature reviews • Development of outline application to UK DCTN • Development of microbiology aspects of the project to further inform a potential RCT
<p>In patients who have had skin surgery, are superficial absorbable sutures equivalent to superficial non-absorbable sutures with regards to patient and physician reported outcomes of the surgical scar, frequency of post operative complications and health economics?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey to BSDS • Literature review • The study has been moved forward by some team members to a full application to the UK DCTN and is being progressed as the CANVAS trial • CANVAS service evaluation project
<p>Does the use of oral nicotinamide result in a reduction in the incidence of SCC in immunosuppressed solid-organ transplant recipients, compared with oral acitretin or placebo?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinician surveys • Patient surveys • Presentation at BSCII 2019 Annual meeting • Feasibility work published in BJD • The study has been moved forward by some team members to a full application to the UK DCTN and is being progressed as the COUNT trial
<p>Petroleum jelly vs. none applied to excision wounds after dressing removal post-op.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature reviews • Patient involvement work • Poster presentations at BAD Annual meeting 2019 <p><i>Do topical antibiotics or plain petroleum jelly reduce the risk of surgical site infection versus no intervention in patients undergoing skin lesion</i></p>

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	<p><i>excision with primary wound closure? (patient perspective)</i></p> <p><i>Full-thickness skin graft fixation techniques. What is the evidence? A review of the literature</i></p>
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