

Who is running the study?

Doctors and scientists from hospitals around the UK are running this study. All the information is gathered at the University of Oxford. It is a big study with lots of children all over the UK taking part. It is also quite expensive to take all these pictures of bones. Fortunately, we have been given some money from the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR). The NIHR wants to give the best care to all children in the UK.

**Thanks
for
reading**

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Patient Information

8-11 years old



**A study about bugs in bones and how
to find them**

What is the PIC Bone Study?

It is a study all about taking pictures of bones. When you have a sore arm or leg, it could be because little bugs are in your bones. We are looking at how to find these little bugs. One way is to take pictures of your bones using scanners.



We can use special scanners to see inside your body. There are two types of scanners doctors use: one uses jelly and one uses magnets.

We want to know which scan is best, the jelly one or the magnet one.

Then we can find the bugs and get rid of them. This means your bones won't hurt anymore.

We want to find out which scan to do and when. We want to get you better quickly.

We would like to ask you and your family if you could help us help children like you in the future who also have a painful limb.

Why is this study important?

If we don't find bugs in bones and get rid of them people can get sick.

The bugs can damage bones and joints. That's why it's so important to find the bugs in bones as soon as we can. We can kill bugs and save bones.

**This study does
NOT involve any
extra tests!**



What do I have to do?

All you have to do is say yes. We will ask your mum or dad or the person who looks after you most how you are getting on a few months later. We will also ask them if we can see the results of all your hospital tests.



Do I have to take part?

It is up to you whether you want to be part of the PICBone Study. If you don't want to, that's OK. The doctors will still do everything they can to help you get better. They may still need to take pictures of your bones.

What do I have to do if I say yes?

Ask the person looking after you to speak to the doctors or nurses

They will need to sign a form to say they are happy for you to join the PIC Bone study. This will allow us to see all the tests you have in hospital and which medicines help get you better. You can sign the form too if you want!

Only the hospital team treating you will have access to your medical record.

You will be given a special PIC Bone number. All information you give us will be linked to this number. Your name and other information will be stored safely at the University of Oxford. This means that only the people who are treating you, or who need to contact you, will know who you really are. The research team will keep it safe and secure so no one else can see information about you.

If you change your mind at any time, just let us know and we won't use any of your results.