

## **Selection criteria**



High-grade smear

High-grade colposcopic opinion

High-grade biopsy result

**Patient choice** 

Persistent low-grade disease

Glandular abnormality

Previous treatment

## **Treatment methods**



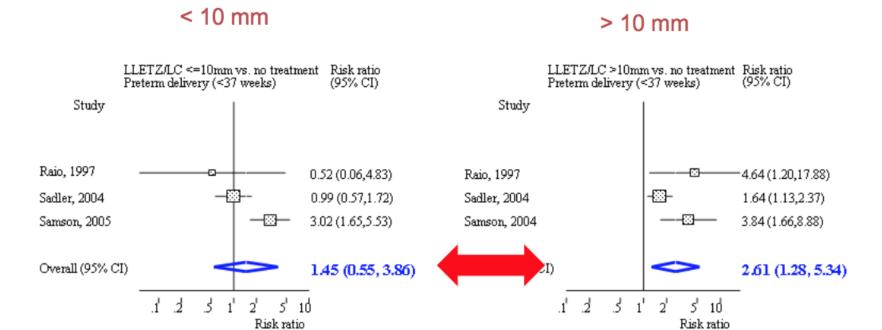
Outpatient setting > 90%

Ablation – avoid cryocautery

Excision – local (simple, extended, hysterectomy)

# **LLETZ and pre-term labour?**





Depth: > 10 mm

< 10 mm

RR: 2·6, 95% CI: 1·3-5·3

RR: 1.5, 95% CI: 0.6-3.9

Kyrgiou Lancet 2006

## **Excision or ablation?**



- Cold coagulation has similar cure rate to excision
- Might have less morbidity
- Selection vital
- Will under diagnose CGIN / early cervical cancer

Success rate of cold coagulation for the treatment of cervical intraepithelial neoplasia: a retrospective analysis of a series of cases. J Low Genit Tract Dis 2015

Parry-Smith W1, Underwood M, De Bellis-Ayres S, Bangs L, Redman CW, Panikkar J

#### Caveat...



Swedish invasive audit (Silfverdal et al. 2011)

Audit of all invasive cervical cancer cases in women with previous abnormal cytology

Ablative therapy increased OR compared with excisional (3.82; 1.01–14.4)

Laser conisation decreased OR compared with LLETZ (0.06; 0.01–0.36).

This underlines the need of proficiency training of the clinician in surgical techniques as well as of careful follow-up after treatment. Larger studies are warranted to further evaluate the effectiveness of "see and treat", LLETZ and ablative treatment in preventing invasive disease.

## Also...



Increase in treatment failure rate, particularly in new cancer cases from 2001-8 Strander et al, (2014)

Less hysterectomies/ cones <u>+</u>small loops may be to blame following concern on poor obstetric outcome.

But if you do, do it properly!

## When to treat



Do not treat CIN 1

- Avoid treatment in pregnancy
- Conservative management of CIN2

Most lesions, particularly in women <30, regress

Tainio et al BMJ 2018

## **Conservative management CIN2**



- Aged < 30
- Nulliparous
- Small colposcopic lesions
- Informed consent
- MDT discussion
- FU in colposcopy clinic
- 6 month cytology/HPV till HPV neg / treated

## Summary



- Colposcopy is mandatory prior to treatment
- Selection is crucial
- Overall excision preferable to ablation
- Treatment, whatever it is, can cause harm
- Paucity of detailed outcome data



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