

**Table 1. Published studies of acceptability of first-trimester medical abortion**

Author, year and country	Patients and methodology	Duration of amenorrhea	Visits*
Rosén, <sup>6</sup> 1979, Sweden	60 patients randomized to vacuum aspiration or prostaglandin suppository	≤56 days	≥3
Rosén, <sup>5</sup> 1984, Sweden	53 patients randomized to vacuum aspiration, prostaglandin suppository in hospital, or suppository at home	≤49 days	≥2
Hill, <sup>14</sup> 1990, England	100 volunteer patients given mifepristone, then gemeprost suppository	≤63 days	5
Tang, <sup>9</sup> 1991, Hong Kong	42 patients given choice of vacuum aspiration or mifepristone and suppository	<49 days	2 7
Urquhart, <sup>17</sup> 1991, Scotland	91 patients who chose vacuum aspiration or mifepristone with gemeprost suppository	≤63 days	3 4
Legarth, <sup>18</sup> 1991, Denmark	50 patients randomized to vacuum aspiration with general anesthesia or mifepristone	≤42 days	3
Holmgren, <sup>9</sup> 1992, Sweden	128 patients who asked for vacuum aspiration with heavy sedation, aspiration with light sedation, or mifepristone with gemeprost suppository	9–12 wks.; 5–8 wks.; “very early”	2 2 7
Bachelot, <sup>20</sup> 1992, France	391 patients who chose vacuum aspiration with general anesthesia, aspiration with local anesthesia or mifepristone with sulprostone injection	≤49 days	3–4 3–4 4–5
Grimes, <sup>8</sup> 1992, U.S.	16 women with late menses randomized to mifepristone or placebo without pregnancy test	<42 days	4
Thong, <sup>22</sup> 1992, Scotland	180 patients given mifepristone with either gemeprost suppository or oral misoprostol† and randomized to ward or sitting room	≤63 days	5
Tang, <sup>16</sup> 1993, Hong Kong	144 patients who chose mifepristone with prostaglandin suppository or vacuum aspiration	<49 days	2 5
Henshaw, <sup>23</sup> 1993, Scotland	99 patients randomized to vacuum aspiration with general anesthesia or mifepristone with gemeprost suppository and 73 patients who chose between the two	≤63 days	2 3

\*One study may require different numbers of visits for different methods; the order in which visit numbers appear corresponds to the order in which the methods are listed. †Study did not report whether patients were randomized to gemeprost suppository or oral misoprostol.