

# Fallopian tube cleared without surgery

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**COIMBATORE** - For the first time in India, Kovai Medical Centre and Hospital, has performed recanalisation of blocked fallopian tube, which is the major cause of infertility among women.

This new technique, which was invented by a lady doctor in Portland in 1991, now becoming popular in Europe and USA, has now come to Coimbatore.

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According to ~~Thomas~~ Cherian, radiologist, KMCH, a commonly encountered cause of female infertility is block, in fallopian tube, which is the passage for the released egg from ovary to uterus. The block may be caused due to some infection, mostly due to tuberculosis. Till recently, the only treatment for such block is a very difficult surgery, involving a hospital stay of 10 days.

The new technique, "Trans-cervical Tubal Recanalisation" consists of very fine platinum wire, of 0.014 inch in diameter, which is inserted through a catheter into the uterus.

The fine platinum wire, under the expert hand of a radiologist, enters the fallopian tube, penetrates through the blockage, cleans the passage, later withdrawn.

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