# Endometriosis and Basal Body Temperature

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Results   
**-There is a significant association between the presence of endometriosis (without treatment) and the presence of a late decline after the onset of menses in BBT**.

-A preliminary definition of late decline in BBT, based presumptively on the results of this study, is a temperature elevation of 0.2 to 0.4 F above baseline preovulatory temperature during the initial 3 days of menses.

Limitations:

- The study groups consisted of 18 infertile women with laparoscopic evidence of varying degrees of endometriosis without prior medical or surgical treatment for this condition, and 16 control women who had other causes of infertility. The number of patients is low in my opinion.  
- Limitations of the study population do not allow conclusive evaluation of temperature response according to the stage of disease.