

# Evaluation of the efficacy and safety of a Sheabutter extract on cold sores (herpes simplex labialis)

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

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Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

BPCS01

# Study information

## Scientific Title

## Study objectives

The hypothesis is that various concentrations of Sheabutter extract BSP110 are able to reduce the healing time of cold sores and prevent their recurrence in participants with 6 or more self reported cold sores a year.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Not specified

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Herpes Simplex Labialis

## Interventions

Acute study - 100% sheabutter extract BSP 110 ointment versus placebo of yellow petrolatum.  
Maintenance study - 25% sheabutter lip balm versus 25% yellow petrolatum lip balm.

## Intervention Type

Drug

## Phase

Not Specified

## Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Sheabutter extract

## Primary outcome measure

Acute study: Duration of initial herpes labialis episode.

Maintenance study: Number of herpes labialis episodes during the 6 months of the maintenance study period.

### **Secondary outcome measures**

Acute study:

1. Investigator-assessment of Herpes Lesion development stage
2. Participant self-assessment of severity of symptoms including pain, tingling, itching, swelling, blistering, oozing and crusting using Likert scales (0 = none, 1 = mild, 2 = moderate, 3 = severe)
3. Quality of Life measured by Short Form-36 questionnaire and the Dermatology Life Quality Index

Maintenance study:

1. The number of participants who develop lesions during the 6 months of the maintenance study period
2. Time to first herpes episode
3. Duration of lesions
4. Use of rescue medication
5. Participant self-assessment of severity of symptoms including pain, tingling, itching, swelling, blistering, oozing and crusting using Likert scales (0 = none, 1 = mild, 2 = moderate, 3 = severe)
6. Quality of Life measured by Short Form-36 questionnaire and the Dermatology Life Quality Index

### **Overall study start date**

01/02/2005

### **Completion date**

31/03/2006

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

Subjects aged 18 and 75 years, in good general health who have a clinical history of recurrent herpes labialis, with at least six self reported episodes of herpes lesion in the past year and at least one recurrence every three months.

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

### **Lower age limit**

18 Years

### **Sex**

Both

### **Target number of participants**

160

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. History of immunodeficiency
2. Use of other antiviral agents (including herbal medications), anti-inflammatory medications, steroids or analgesics during the treatment period
3. Known allergy to Sheabutter
4. Liver function tests greater than 3 times the upper limit of normal at baseline
5. Female participants who are lactating, pregnant or planning to become pregnant
6. Participants who have participated in another clinical trial in the last 30 days
7. Participants unwilling to comply with the study protocol
8. Any other condition, which in the opinion of the investigators could compromise the study

**Date of first enrolment**

01/02/2005

**Date of final enrolment**

31/03/2006

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Australia

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**Sponsor information****Organisation**

BSP Pharma A/S (Denmark)

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**Sponsor type**

Industry

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/05tzrdd39>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Industry

## Funder Name

BSP Pharma A/S (Denmark) - AUD478,790

# Results and Publications

## Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

## Intention to publish date

## Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

## IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration