

# Enhanced MotherCARE for procedural pain in preterm neonates

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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**Type(s)**  
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**EudraCT/CTIS number**

**IRAS number**

**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

**Secondary identifying numbers**  
MOP-64307

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

Maternal comfort, analgesia, regulation, endorphin-release: mothercare, a program of research for pain in critically ill infants and toddlers

**Acronym**

Enhanced MotherCARE

**Study objectives**

Physiological pain and stress response will be lower in maternally enhanced skin-skin contact (SSC) than SSC in preterm neonates of 32 - 36 weeks.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

McGill University Health Centre (full board review) approved on the 20th November 2003 (ref: MCH003-48)

**Study design**

Randomised cross-over design

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Secondary study design**

Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)**

Hospital

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

**Participant information sheet****Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied**

Pain response

**Interventions**

Skin-to-skin contact: the diaper-clad infant will be held upright at an angle of sixty degrees between the breasts of the mother during a routine heel stick procedure. A blanket will be placed over the infants back throughout the intervention. The baby will remain in this condition for 15 minutes prior to heel lance, during the procedure and until the infant returns to baseline heart rate after the procedure is completed.

Maternally-enhanced skin-skin contact: throughout the procedure, the mother will be seated with her infant in a rocking chair and will be asked to recite rhymes or sing songs to her infant. This will begin 15 minutes prior to heel stick. Just before the heel stick procedure, she will be asked to insert the tip of her well-trimmed smallest finger into the baby's mouth for the baby to suck. One minute later, the procedure will begin by collecting baseline data.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Applicable

**Primary outcome measure**

Physiologic stability:

1. Maximum range of heart rate and O2 saturation from baseline throughout the procedure
2. Time to return to baseline heart rate and O2 saturation

**Secondary outcome measures**

Stress response: measured through the procurement of salivary cortisol collected prior to (basal) and 30 minutes after (stress response) the heel stick procedure for both the mother and the infant.

**Overall study start date**

01/12/2003

**Completion date**

01/12/2006

## **Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

Infants born between 28 0/7 and 32 6/7 weeks post-menstrual age (PMA) as determined by an ultrasound will be eligible.

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Child

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

80

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Genetic or major congenital disorders
2. Requiring surgery before or during the study period
3. Receiving analgesics, paralyzing agents or steroid therapy
4. Apgar scores less than 6 at five minutes
5. Intraventricular haemorrhage (IVH) grade III and/or periventricular leukomalacia (PVL) as confirmed by ultrasound

**Date of first enrolment**

01/12/2003

**Date of final enrolment**

01/12/2006

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Canada

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<http://www.mcgill.ca/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/01pxwe438>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Research organisation

**Funder Name**

Canadian Institute of Health Research (Canada) - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca> (ref: MOP 64307)

# 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

## Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/01/2009		Yes	No