# Randomised controlled open outcome study of treatment of menopausal symptoms by medical herbalists (pilot study)

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12/07/2005	No longer recruiting	[_] Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	[] Statistical analysis plan
03/08/2005	Completed	[X] Results
Last Edited 28/10/2022	<b>Condition category</b> Urological and Genital Diseases	Individual participant data

### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers NUX018

# Study information

### **Scientific Title** Randomised controlled open outcome study of treatment of menopausal symptoms by medical herbalists (pilot study)

#### **Study objectives**

To demonstrate whether the well-being of a sample of menopausal women is improved by treatment from practicing medical herbalists.

**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 Menopausal symptoms or problems

#### Interventions

Intervention group of 15 women: 6 consultations and treatment with individual prescriptions of a mixture of herbal medicines over a 5 month period by one of 3 local qualified herbal practitioners who are Members of the National Institute of Medical Herbalists.

Control group of 30 women: offered equivalent series of consultations and treatment after acting as controls for 5 months.

**Intervention Type** Other

**Phase** Not Specified

#### Primary outcome measure

Greene Climacteric Scale

#### Secondary outcome measures

Measure Yourself Medical Outcome Profile (MYMOP2), Hot flush Visual Analogue Scale (VAS)

# **Overall study start date** 01/01/2002

#### **Completion date**

30/12/2004

## Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

1. Women aged 46 - 59 registered on database of one general practice in Bristol

2. Over three months since last menstrual period

3. Experiencing self-defined menopausal problems of over three months duration

#### Participant type(s)

Patient

**Age group** Adult

**Sex** Female

**Target number of participants** 45

**Total final enrolment** 45

#### Key exclusion criteria

In the previous three months:

- 1. Taken hormone replacement therapy
- 2. Taken any other hormone treatment including 'natural progesterone cream'
- 3. Taken tamoxifen
- 4. Surgery requiring a general anaesthetic
- Current:

Complementary treatment for menopausal problems; psychiatric treatment or medication; advised by a doctor to take hormone replacement therapy because of osteoporosis or high risk of developing osteoporosis.

Date of first enrolment

01/01/2002

### Date of final enrolment

30/12/2004

### Locations

**Countries of recruitment** England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre 286 Ashley Down Road** Bristol United Kingdom BS7 9BQ

### Sponsor information

**Organisation** University of Central Lancashire (UK)

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**Sponsor type** University/education

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## Funder(s)

**Funder type** Research organisation

**Funder Name** National Institute of Medical Herbalists (UK) - Education Fund

# **Results and Publications**

#### Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

#### Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

#### IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

#### Study outputs

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Date added Peer reviewed?

Yes

Patient-facing? No