Re-education of the pelvic floor in women with urinary stress incontinence

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Study objectives

One in four women suffer from Urinary Stress Incontinence (USI). The literature search suggests there is evidence from clinical experience and from research into the management of low back pain that retraining of the transversus abdominis muscle using real time ultrasound can facilitate correct tonic activity of the pelvic floor muscles (Richardson et al, 1999 and Critchely et al 2002). Studies so far of facilitation of the pelvic floor using RTUS have so far only been tested in healthy adult females (Sapsford, 2001).

The aim of this study is to evaluate if by using Real Time Ultra Sound biofeedback (RTUS), a noninvasive technique, patients with urinary stress incontinence can learn more quickly how to cocontract the Transversus Abdominis muscle (TrA) and Pelvic Floor Muscles (PFM) in order to rehabilitate the pelvic floor and thereby reduce or eradicate the distressful symptoms of leakage. If RTUS can shorten the number of sessions required for patients to learn correctly how to co-contract the pelvic floor muscles this would enable physiotherapists to see a greater number of patients.

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

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Urological and Genital Diseases: Urinary incontinence

Interventions

Participants will be randomised into two groups, one with RTUS over the abdominal muscles to facilitate instructions to activate co-contraction of the pelvic floor muscles, and the other without real time ultra sound biofeedback. Assessment parameters include a leakage diary, a one hour pad test, and subjective evaluation of life impact questionnaire (Kings Health Questionnaire). Each group will be assessed after 12 weeks training.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase Not Specified

Primary outcome measure

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Secondary outcome measures

Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date 01/01/2003

Completion date 01/03/2006

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria Women between the ages of 30 and 65 with USI

Participant type(s) Patient

Age group Adult

Sex Female

Target number of participants 40

Key exclusion criteria Does not match inclusion criteria

Date of first enrolment

01/01/2003

Date of final enrolment 01/03/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment England

United Kingdom

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Sponsor information

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Sponsor type Government

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Funder(s)

Funder type Research organisation

Funder Name

The West London Research Network (WeLReN) (UK)

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