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Acupuncture and pain relief in temporomandibular joint dysfunction syndrome

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Plain English summary of protocol
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N0059108302

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives
The aim of the study is to determine if acupuncture is beneficial to patients suffering with temporomandibular dysfunction. As acupuncture is known to have a powerful placebo effect (Taub 1979, 48:205-210) it is important that the efficacy of acupuncture is determined in well controlled studies. To date there are no reported blind controlled studies to determining the efficacy of acupuncture in the management of temporomandibular joint dysfunction. In the present study comparisons will be made between the efficacy of acupuncture (intent to cure), sham acupuncture (placebo group) and traditional methods (occlusal splint) in the management of patients suffering with temporomandibular joint dysfunction.

Ethics approval required
Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)
Ethics approval received from the local medical ethics committee

Study design
Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design
Interventional

Study type(s)
Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied
Oral Health: Oral Medicine

Interventions
Comparisons will be made between the efficacy of acupuncture (intent to cure), sham acupuncture (placebo group) and traditional methods (occlusal splint).

Added 18 July 2008: the trial did not start due to lack of funding.

Amendment Jan 2005: This trial has received ethical approval but it is not being undertaken at present due to funding issues.

Intervention Type
Other

Phase
Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)
Not provided at time of registration

Key secondary outcome(s))
Not provided at time of registration

Completion date
01/10/2003

Reason abandoned (if study stopped)
Lack of funding

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria
120 patients suffering with temporomandibular joint dysfunction.

Participant type(s)
Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed
No

Age group
Not Specified

Sex
All

Key exclusion criteria
Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment
01/02/2002

Date of final enrolment
01/10/2003

Locations

Countries of recruitment
United Kingdom

England

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Sponsor information

Organisation
Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type
Government

Funder Name
Sheffield Teaching Hospitals (Central Campus) (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary
Not provided at time of registration