

# A cluster-randomised study of the effect of albendazole treatment on the prevalence of childhood atopy among children with geohelminth infections

**Submission date**  
17/12/2005

**Recruitment status**  
No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered  
☐ Protocol

**Registration date**  
21/12/2005

**Overall study status**  
Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan  
☒ Results

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**Condition category**  
Infections and Infestations

☐ Individual participant data

## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

## Secondary identifying numbers

060120

# Study information

## Scientific Title

### Study objectives

Geohelminth infections suppress atopy in children and this suppression is reversible by anthelmintic treatment.

### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

### Ethics approval(s)

Approval received from:

1. St George's Hospital London (UK) 2002
2. Hospital Pedro Vicente Maldonado (Ecuador) 2002

### Study design

Cluster-randomised 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

Geohelminth infections

### Interventions

Bimonthly albendazole (400 mg) for 12 months (total of seven treatments) versus no intervention.

### Intervention Type

Drug

### Phase

Not Specified

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

Albendazole

**Primary outcome measure**

Atopy (measured by allergen skin test reactivity)

**Secondary outcome measures**

1. Allergic symptoms
2. Exercise-induced bronchospasm
3. Flexural dermatitis

**Overall study start date**

15/06/2002

**Completion date**

01/09/2004

**Eligibility****Key inclusion criteria**

Schools:

1. Access during rainy season
2. Total size less than 150 children
3. Preliminary meetings attended by a majority of parents

Individuals:

1. Healthy children in second to seventh year of primary education (i.e. aged eight to 14 years)
2. Informed written consent by a parent

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Child

**Lower age limit**

8 Years

**Upper age limit**

14 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

68 schools; ~2,730 children

**Key exclusion criteria**

Schools:

1. Limited access during rainy season

2. Total size more than 150 children
3. Preliminary meetings attended by minority of parents

**Individuals:**

1. Children not in second to seventh year of primary education
2. No informed written consent by a parent

**Date of first enrolment**

15/06/2002

**Date of final enrolment**

01/09/2004

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Ecuador

**Study participating centre**

Hospital Pedro Vicente Maldonado

Quito

Ecuador

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## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

St George's Hospital Medical School (UK)

**Sponsor details**

Cranmer Terrace

London

United Kingdom

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**Sponsor type**

Hospital/treatment centre

**Website**

<http://www.sgul.ac.uk>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/040f08y74>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Charity

## Funder Name

The Wellcome Trust (UK) (grant ref: 060120)

# 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	13/05/2006		Yes	No