Randomised controlled trial of Dihydrocodeine (DHC) and methadone in the treatment of opiate dependent patients

Submission date Recruitment status Prospectively registered 08/03/2005 No longer recruiting [] Protocol [] Statistical analysis plan Registration date Overall study status 20/04/2005 Completed [X] Results [] Individual participant data Last Edited Condition category 18/09/2007 Mental and Behavioural Disorders

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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Protocol serial number K/OPR/2/2/D399

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

To determine the efficacy of dihdrocodeine compared to methadone in the treatment of opiate dependence.

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

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Opiate dependence

Interventions

Substitute treatment with methadone or dihydrocodeine.

Intervention Type

Drug

Phase

Not Specified

Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)

Dihydrocodeine (DHC), methadone

Primary outcome(s)

- 1. Survival
- 2. Retention in treatment
- 3. Continued drug use (particularly injecting)
- 4. Criminal behaviour

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

01/03/2005

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Opiate dependent patients

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Not Specified

Sex

Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment

01/09/2000

Date of final enrolment

01/03/2005

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

Scotland

Study participating centre Muirhouse Medical Group

Edinburgh United Kingdom EH4 4PL

Sponsor information

Organisation

Chief Scientist Office (UK) - Scottish Executive Health Department

ROR

https://ror.org/01bw7zm61

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

Chief Scientist Office (UK) - Scottish Executive Health Department

Results and Publications

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?
Results article	Results	01/12/2006		Yes	No
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes