# The Monitor Practice Program - is non-invasive management of dental caries in private practice cost-effective?

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### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s) Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

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**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers 402466

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# Study information

#### Scientific Title

The cost-effectiveness of non-invasive management of dental caries in private practice: a cluster randomised controlled clinical trial

#### Acronym

MPP

#### **Study objectives**

1. That there is a statistically significant difference in the increment of decayed, missing, and filled tooth surfaces (DMFS) between a preventive and a standard care oral health program 2. That management of dental decay using a preventive remineralising approach is more cost-effective than the standard approach which involves filling the tooth

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)** Sydney University Human Ethics Committee gave approval on the 24th November 2004 (ref: 7810)

#### Study design

Cluster randomised controlled clinical trial

#### Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)** Other

**Study type(s)** Treatment

**Participant information sheet** Can be found at http://www.dentistry.usyd.edu.au/mpp/downloads.htm

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied Dental caries

**Interventions** Control arm: Usual dental care.

Intervention arm: The Caries Management System is a ten-step non-invasive strategy to arrest and remineralise early lesions. This system was developed for use by general practitioners according to a new Caries Management Policy that had been adopted by the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Sydney, where learning and teaching within the new curriculum was designed to be informed by evidence-based practice. The governing principle of the Caries Management System is that caries management must include consideration of:

- 1. The patient at risk
- 2. The status of each lesion
- 3. Patient management
- 4. Clinical management
- 5. Monitoring

Both dental caries risk and dental caries treatment are managed according to a set of protocols which refer only to those interventions that are well supported by a strong evidence base. The protocols are applied at various steps throughout patient consultation and treatment and have a twin focus on the primary prevention of caries and its secondary prevention (arrest and reversal of early lesions) through non-invasive measures.

Assessment of dental plaque control:

- 1. Saliva assessment
- 2. The status of each lesion

Clinical examination:

- 1. Bite-wing radiographic survey
- 2. Assessment of the patient's caries risk status

Patient management:

- 1. Case presentation and treatment planning
- 2. Diet advice
- 3. Oral hygiene instruction and coaching
- 4. Clinical management
- 5. Monitoring
- 6. Caries activity
- 7. Diet control
- 8. Plaque control
- 9. Fluoride exposure

Intervention Type

Other

**Phase** Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome measure

- 1. Reduction in incremental DMFS score
- 2. Incremental cost-effectiveness ratio

Interim analysis at 2 years (to determine efficacy for the cost-effectiveness analysis), final analysis 3 years.

#### Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Patient and dentist acceptability
- 2. Impediments to implementation

Interim analysis at 2 years (to determine efficacy for the cost-effectiveness analysis), final analysis 3 years.

Overall study start date 01/03/2005

Completion date

30/09/2012

# Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

1. All patients attending for dental treatment within recruited dental practices 2. Aged 5 years and over, either sex

Participant type(s) Patient

**Age group** Other

**Sex** Both

**Target number of participants** 800

**Key exclusion criteria** Unable to provide informed consent

Date of first enrolment 01/03/2005

Date of final enrolment 30/09/2012

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment** Australia

**Study participating centre University of Sydney** Westmead Australia NSW 2145

### Sponsor information

**Organisation** University of Sydney (Australia)

**Sponsor details** Population Oral Health Research Unit 1 Mons Rd Westmead Australia NSW 2145

**Sponsor type** University/education

Website http://www.usyd.edu.au/

ROR https://ror.org/0384j8v12

# Funder(s)

**Funder type** Research council

**Funder Name** National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) (Australia) (ref: 402466)

Alternative Name(s) NHMRC

**Funding Body Type** Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype National government

**Location** Australia

# **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?
<u>Results article</u>	recruitment results	01/06/2007		Yes	Νο
Other publications	patient perspective	01/12/2007		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/12/2008		Yes	No