# The non-operative treatment of anterior knee pain: a prospective randomised trial to assess the McConnell regime

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### Plain English summary of protocol

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# Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number** 950141

# Study information

Scientific Title

#### **Study objectives**

The purpose of this study is to demonstrate how physiotherapy designed on the McConnell regime (McConnell J. The management of chondromlalacia patellae: a long term solution. The Australian J of Physiotherapy, vol 32 no 4, 1986, pp215-223) can treat anterior knee pain and give lasting benefit.

#### 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)

**Not Specified** 

#### Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Musculoskeletal diseases: Arthritis (rheumatoid)

#### **Interventions**

- 1. Advice
- 2. Advice and taping
- 3. Advice and muscle strengthening
- 4. Advice, taping and muscle strengthening

#### 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

31/03/1998

## Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

1. The study population will come from two sources: the orthopaedic and rheumatology waiting list initiative combined fast track physiotherapy clinic; and the orthopaedic and rheumatology

#### outpatient clinics.

- 2. Patients aged 16-40 years with anterior knee pain
- 3. Patients with anterior knee pain for longer than three months on most days

#### Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

#### Age group

**Not Specified** 

#### Sex

**Not Specified** 

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. A history of knee locking: previous major trauma or dislocation
- 2. Osteoarthritis or inflammatory arthropathy
- 3. Ligamentous instability of the knee
- 4. Malignancy or infection
- 5. Previous physiotherapy in the last three months

#### Date of first enrolment

01/04/1996

#### Date of final enrolment

31/03/1998

#### Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

# Study participating centre Department of Orthopaedics

Nottingham United Kingdom NG7 2UH

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Government

#### Funder Name

NHS Executive Trent (UK)

# **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 | 01/09/2000   |            | Yes            | No              |