

# Efficacy and safety of Acupuncture for Migraine Prophylaxis - a multicenter, randomized, controlled clinical trial

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
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**Protocol serial number**  
SF-2005-2

## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
Efficacy and safety of Acupuncture for Migraine Prophylaxis - a multicenter, randomized, controlled clinical trial

**Acronym**

AMP

**Study objectives**

Acupuncture could be an option to prevent migraine attacks in comparison to standard medicine therapy (flunarizine).

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Approved by the Research Ethical Committee of the Beijing Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine on 24/05/2007 (ref: 200704)

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study design**

Multicentre randomised single blind controlled study

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Migraine

**Interventions**

The 140 migraine sufferers are randomly allocated to two different groups:

1. Treatment group: At least three acupuncture sessions per week and placebo medicine once a day for 4 weeks.
2. Control group: At least three sham-acupuncture sessions per week and medicine (flunarizine) once a day for 4 weeks.

The patients are asked to receive acupuncture 3 times a week. However, those who require will receive extra acupuncture sessions.

Each acupuncture session lasts for 30 min. The dose of flunarizine / placebo is 10 mg per day for 2 weeks and 5 mg per day in the next 2 weeks.

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Specified

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

flunarizine

**Primary outcome(s)**

The efficacy of acupuncture for migraine prophylaxis was assessed by the following:

1. Visual Analogue Scale (VAS) to assess the severity of migraine pain

2. Short-Form of McGill Pain Questionnaire (SF-MPQ)
3. Change in frequency and duration of migraine attacks

The outcome measures above will be assessed before the treatment, at 1 week, 2 and 4 weeks during the treatment, and then every month for 3 months. If necessary, the assessments will be repeated 6 months after the treatment.

#### **Key secondary outcome(s)**

1. Intake of acute-medication
2. Severity of adverse effects
3. Change in the frequency of nausea, vomiting and other correlative symptoms

The outcome measures above will be assessed before the treatment, at 1 week, 2 and 4 weeks during the treatment, and then every month for 3 months. If necessary, the assessments will be repeated 6 months after the treatment.

#### **Completion date**

30/06/2009

## **Eligibility**

#### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Patients suffering from migraine without frequent aura (more than 2 migraine attacks in 4 weeks), diagnosed according to criteria of the International Headache Society
2. Male or female
3. Aged 18-65 years
4. Patients who had not used acupuncture or drugs with migraine prophylactic effects within the last 3 months

#### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

#### **Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

#### **Age group**

Adult

#### **Lower age limit**

18 Years

#### **Upper age limit**

65 Years

#### **Sex**

All

#### **Total final enrolment**

140

## Key exclusion criteria

1. Tension-type headache, Cluster headache and other primary headaches
2. Secondary headache and other neurological diseases
3. Neuralgia of the face or head
4. Pregnancy, nursing mother or insufficient contraception
5. Use of prophylactic migraine medication in the last 3 months
6. Therapy with beta-blocker in the last 3 months
7. Intake of antipsychotic or antidepressant drugs
8. Participation in another clinical trial
9. Have family history of depression, Parkinsons disease and other extrapyramidal diseases

## Date of first enrolment

01/06/2007

## Date of final enrolment

30/06/2009

## Locations

### Countries of recruitment

China

### Study participating centre

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## Sponsor information

### Organisation

The Beijing Administration of Traditional Chinese Medicine (China)

### ROR

<https://ror.org/05damtm70>

## Funder(s)

### Funder type

Government

### Funder Name

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/08/2011	11/07/2019	Yes	No
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol	24/04/2009		Yes	No