

A pilot study to investigate whether the homeopathic approach, in addition to standard care, can increase symptom free days and improve asthma control and quality of life in children with poorly controlled asthma

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Plain English summary of protocol
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Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number
N0632177581

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Can homeopathy in addition to standard care, increase symptom free days and improve asthma control and quality of life in children with poorly controlled asthma?

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Added September 2008: favourable ethical opinion from the Oxfordshire Research Ethics Committee B (UK) on 22/11/2005.

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Pilot RCT

Study type(s)

Quality of life

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Respiratory: Asthma

Interventions

1. Homeopathy plus standard care
2. Standard care

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

As this is a pilot study there is no primary outcome measure. The research team are actively investigating whether subjective measures such as asthma control or asthma QOL or MYMOP or objective measures such as FEV1, antibiotic use will be most useful.

Key secondary outcome(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

30/11/2006

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

The study aims to recruit 50-80 participants divided equally between intervention and control groups. Inclusion criteria: Children aged 7-14 years who are attending respiratory outpatients and who are at step 2 or step 3 or above on the British Thoracic Guidelines.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

7 Years

Upper age limit

14 Years

Sex

Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria

Children who are presently using homeopathy or who are too unwell to take part or refuse informed consent.

Date of first enrolment

01/12/2005

Date of final enrolment

30/11/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre

Bristol Homeopathic Hospital

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Record Provided by the NHSTCT Register - 2006 Update - Department of Health

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

Avon Primary Care Research Collaborative (UK) NHS R&D Support Funding

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	01/07/2011		Yes	No