

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

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Registration date 20/04/2005	Overall study status Completed	☐ Protocol
Last Edited 18/09/2007	Condition category Mental and Behavioural Disorders	☐ Statistical analysis plan
		☒ Results
		☐ Individual participant data

Plain English summary of protocol
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Protocol serial number
K/OPR/2/2/D399

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

To determine the efficacy of dihydrocodeine 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

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

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

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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