

# Ultrasound therapy for lateral epicondylitis. A double blind randomised placebo controlled trial

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## Plain English Summary

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## Contact information

### Type(s)

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

N0544103837

# Study information

## Scientific Title

### Study hypothesis

Ultrasound therapy for lateral epicondylitis

### 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

### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

### Study setting(s)

Not specified

### Study type(s)

Not Specified

## Participant information sheet

### Condition

Lateral epicondylitis (tennis elbow)

### Interventions

To evaluate the effects of ultrasound in the treatment of lateral epicondylitis. Adult subjects with lateral epicondylitis will be randomised to receive either ultrasound (US) or sham (S) therapy. In the US group pulsed ultrasound will be delivered at a standardised dosage, initially five times weekly for 3 weeks, then three times weekly for 3 weeks. A single machine will be used and calibrated twice daily. The patient, assessor and treating clinician will be blinded. Outcome measures will be recorded at 6 weeks and at 9 months from baseline. These will include a forearm evaluation score and pain (primary measures), grip strength, flexibility, inflammation (thermographic score), quality of life and general health status, a summary item of status of the injury and a follow up transition item.

### Intervention Type

Other

### Phase

Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure**

Not provided at time of registration

**Secondary outcome measures**

Not provided at time of registration

**Overall study start date**

11/09/2000

**Overall study end date**

11/09/2003

## Eligibility

**Participant inclusion criteria**

200 18-75 year olds (PROJ)

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Upper age limit**

75 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

200

**Participant exclusion criteria**

Does not match inclusion criteria

**Recruitment start date**

11/09/2000

**Recruitment end date**

11/09/2003

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

England

United Kingdom

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Department of Health (UK)

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**Sponsor type**

Government

**Website**

<http://www.doh.gov.uk>

## **Funder(s)**

**Funder type**

Other

**Funder Name**

Cambridge Consortium - Addenbrooke's (UK)

## **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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/05/2006		Yes	No