# Does massage with or without essential oils enhance relaxation in hospitalized children with burn injuries in South Africa?

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Ethische beoordeling	Positief advies
Status	Werving gestopt
Type aandoening	-
Onderzoekstype	Interventie onderzoek

# Samenvatting

### ID

NL-OMON27056

**Bron** Nationaal Trial Register

#### Aandoening

pediatric burn patients, massage with carrier oil, aromatherapy massage, essential oils

### Ondersteuning

**Primaire sponsor:** Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital Cape Town, South Africa **Overige ondersteuning:** Nederlandse Brandwondenstichting

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### **Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie**

### Uitkomstmaten

#### Primaire uitkomstmaten

The primary outcome is the mean difference between before and after massage behavioral scores from videotaped material assessed by a researcher who is blind for treatment allocation.<br>

Assessment instruments:<br>

1. Muscle Tension Inventory: The Muscle Tension Inventory (MTI) has been validated by Tan et al. (2010) in burn patients aged 8 to 71 years of age.(Tan, Yowler et al. 2010) The MTI evaluates muscle tension of each of 8 body areas (forehead, eyes, facial expression, mouth/jaw, head/neck, chest, arms, legs) on a scale from 1 (relaxed) to 5 (tense) giving a total score between 8 to 40;<br/>

2. Behavioral Relaxation Scale: The Behavioral Relaxation Scale (BRS) has been validated in adults and children (Schilling and Poppen 1983; Raymer and Poppen 1985; Norton, Holm et al. 1997). It consists of a description of 10 postures or behaviors characteristic of a fully relaxed person: 1) breathing – scored as relaxed if less than the baseline rate; 2) quiet – no vocalizations; 3) body - no movement of the trunk; 4) head in midline; 5) eyes - closed with smooth eyelids; 6) jaw – lips parted in center; 7) throat – no movement; 8) shoulders – sloped and even, no movement; 9) hands - curled in 'claw like' position; 10) feet - pointed away from each other forming an approximate 90° angle. The total score ranges from 0 (totally relaxed) to 50 (totally not relaxed) with lower scores indicating greater relaxation; <br> 3. COMFORT behavior scale: The COMFORT behavior scale (van Dijk, de Boer et al. 2000; Ista, van Dijk et al. 2005) has been validated in children between 0-to-3 years of age. It consists of six items: 1. Alertness; 2. Calmness; 3. Respiratory response (for ventilated children) or Crying (for spontaneously breathing children); 4. Body movements; 5. Facial tension; and 6. Muscle tone. Each item has five response alternatives rated 1 to 5 representing the different intensities of the behavior in guestion. Summating the six ratings leads to a total score, theoretically ranging from 6 to 30.

# **Toelichting onderzoek**

#### Achtergrond van het onderzoek

N/A

#### Doel van het onderzoek

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#### Onderzoeksopzet

Assessments will be performed during 2 minutes before massage/control condition and 2 minutes after massage. Each child will be assessed across 5 massage/control sessions across 2 weeks.

#### **Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie**

Two massage interventions will be compared to control condition. One includes massage with grapeseed oil only. The other, the aromatherapy massage condition will be performed with essential oils in grape seed oil. Essential oils: a blend of Lavender (Lavendula angustifolia), German Chamomile (Matricaria recutica) and Neroli (Citrus arantium) essential oil.

# Contactpersonen

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# **Deelname eisen**

### Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

1. Burns greater 19%, burns of face, hands, feet, genitalia, perineum and major joints, electrical and chemical burns, inhalation injury, circumferential burns;

2. Patients are admitted to the burns unit of the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital

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in Cape Town.

### Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

1. Patients whose parents do not give informed consent for the study and patients > 11 years who are not willing to participate;

2. Patients who are considered not to respond well to massage due to the type of trauma (intentional injury);

- 3. Burn area too large and not enough unburned or healed skin available;
- 4. Children being prepared for theatre or just having returned from theatre;
- 5. Children already sleeping;
- 6. Older children saying they did not want treatment;

7. Younger children – especially toddlers – who show extreme fear when strangers approach them;

8. Children who have not yet been stabilized.

# Onderzoeksopzet

### Opzet

Туре:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Parallel
Toewijzing:	Gerandomiseerd
Blindering:	Enkelblind
Controle:	Placebo

### Deelname

Nederland	
Status:	Werving gestopt
(Verwachte) startdatum:	03-04-2013

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Aantal proefpersonen: Type: 300 Werkelijke startdatum

# **Ethische beoordeling**

Positief advies	
Datum:	30-03-2013
Soort:	Eerste indiening

# Registraties

### **Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie**

Geen registraties gevonden.

### Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

### In overige registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL3771
NTR-old	NTR3929
Ander register	: WO/13.103
ISRCTN	ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd.

# Resultaten

Samenvatting resultaten N/A