

# National Council for **NCOR** Osteopathic Research

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## Recent research



The following papers are available to UK registered osteopaths and final year osteopathy students via the ozone, the General Osteopathic Council website:

<https://www.osteopathy.org.uk/ozone/resources/research/research-journals/>

Cerritelli F, Pizzolorusso G, Ciardelli F, La Mola E, Cozzolino V, Renzetti C, D'Incecco C, Fusilli P, Sabatino G, Barlafante G. **Effect of osteopathic manipulative treatment on length of stay in a population of preterm infants: a randomized controlled trial.** *BMC Pediatrics*, 2013, 13:65. Available online at <http://bit.ly/preterm-osteopathy>

Pizzolorusso G, Turi P, Barlafante G, Cerritelli F, Renzetti C, Cozzolino V, D'Orazio M, Fusilli M, Carinci F, D'Incecco C. **Effect of osteopathic manipulative treatment on gastrointestinal function and length of stay of preterm infants: an exploratory study.** *Chiropractic and Manual Therapies*, 2011, 19:15. Available online at <http://bit.ly/preterm-gifunc>



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## Paediatric review and NCOR's plan to launch a Centre For Reviews

NCOR's director Dr Dawn Carnes and senior research officer Carol Fawkes were in Montreal, Canada at the end of September to attend the Osteopathic International Alliance conference. NCOR were involved in the research streams, holding sessions that explored complaints and adverse events reporting, as well as patient reported outcomes measures (PROMS).

The conference was organised to run alongside Osteopathie Quebec's "Global Conference on Paediatric Osteopathy" which featured numerous osteopaths from around the world, all discussing the treatment of babies and children. Against this backdrop, Dawn and Carol met several international colleagues who are keen to collaborate with NCOR. We are also freshly enthused to start our systematic review of paediatric treatment by osteopaths and other manual therapists. We intend for this review to be the first in an ongoing series of similar research pieces, all of which will form a Centre For Reviews at NCOR.

Exciting times lay ahead for osteopathic research -- watch this space!

## MOCAM study

The University of Southampton are looking for osteopaths to participate in a research study. The MOCAM (Mechanisms in Orthodox and Complementary and Alternative Medicine Management of Back Pain) study seeks to understand how best to produce positive outcomes for patients with back pain. Interested osteopaths will need to recruit 10 patients with a new episode of back pain. Osteopaths will be reimbursed for each patient they recruit, and will be asked to perform treatments as they usually would.

To find out more about the study contact Dr Susan Eardley by email at [mocam@soton.ac.uk](mailto:mocam@soton.ac.uk) or phone 023 8059 1942. For full details visit <http://bit.ly/mocam-study>

## 8 hours of free CPD

Would you like 8 hours of free CPD? Osteopath Jerry Draper-Rodi is conducting research towards his professional doctorate at The British School of Osteopathy and Keele University. He's looking for osteopaths with over 15 years of experience to take part in an e-learning programme which is based on the most up-to-date evidence regarding low back pain.

Participants who complete the course will receive a certificate that can be used as part of their CPD return to the General Osteopathic Council. Your participation will also contribute to the evidence-base for the osteopathic profession. For further details, please contact Jerry directly: [j.rodri@bso.ac.uk](mailto:j.rodri@bso.ac.uk)

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