

**Feasibility study for a randomised controlled trial of water softeners in the treatment of atopic eczema**

A randomised controlled trial which compared the use of ion-exchange water softeners with dummy units for the treatment of atopic eczema in children aged one to 10 years. Seventeen participants were enrolled in a 12-week study in order to provide pilot data with which to inform a full-scale randomised controlled trial.

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