We are looking to recruit people who have been diagnosed with early Alzheimer’s disease and who are interested in taking part in research.

MADE is a clinical trial which aims to find out whether minocycline, a commonly prescribed antibiotic, is of benefit to people with Alzheimer’s disease. The trial will do this by comparing 2 different doses of minocycline with a ‘dummy’ drug (placebo), which contains no active drug but looks exactly the same.

**Taking part will involve:**

i. A screening interview, which will include a test of your memory, a physical examination and a blood sample.

ii. After screening you will be randomly selected to have either the dummy drug or minocycline (200mg or 400mg daily) and will be asked to take 2 tablets twice daily for 24 months.

iii. You will be reviewed by the study team every 3 months, who will check for side effects, take a blood sample, and test your memory and functional ability.

iv. In between visits, one of the team will telephone you to see how you are getting on and check for side effects.

Inflammation in the brain is believed to play an important role in Alzheimer’s disease and its progression. Minocycline has been shown to have an anti-inflammatory effect in animal research and is a potential future treatment for Alzheimer’s disease.

This study will help us find out whether minocycline improves the symptoms of Alzheimer’s disease and slows the expected rate of deterioration. It will also inform which is the best dose of minocycline to improve symptoms without causing side effects.

If you think you might be interested in taking part, please contact: Amy Hammond, Clinical Research Team Leader, KMPT’s Dementia Research Team on Telephone: 01622 723100 x238 or Dr Richard Brown (Consultant Psychiatrist/Local Principal Investigator) on Telephone: 01227 812083

Thank you for taking the time to read this.