

C Monash Health

Participate in research for Parkinson's Disease

Investigating peripheral stimulation as a treatment for Parkinson's disease gait impairments

Who Can Participate?

Individuals with Parkinson's disease who:

- Have walking impairments
- Are less than 80 years old
- Have no other neurological condition

Research Aims

The purpose of this clinical trial is to:

Investigate the effectiveness of applying non-invasive stimulation (in the form of vibration or mild electrical pulses) to the feet in alleviating walking impairments in Parkinson's disease (PD).



What does it involve?

Visiting the Kingston Centre, Cheltenham

- Attend an initial 3-hr information & assessment session
- If eligible, 5 consecutive visits to the Kingston Centre for daily stimulation
- Two follow-up visits to assess the effects of stimulation

During the study visit, participants will:

- Have stimulation (either vibration or mild electrical pulses) applied to their feet
- Have PD symptoms assessed via video
- Be asked to walk on a floor mat with sensors to measure gait
- Wear an EEG cap (similar to a swimming cap) which records brain activity



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