

The Physiological Impact of N95 Masks on Medical Staff



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Recruitment Status ⓘ : Completed

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Tracking Information	
First Submitted Date <small>ICMJE</small>	September 12, 2005
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Study Start Date <small>ICMJE</small>	August 2003
Primary Completion Date	<i>Not Provided</i>
Current Primary Outcome Measures <small>ICMJE</small> (submitted: September 12, 2005)	EEG change, ABG change, change in scores of attention test, etc

Original Primary Outcome Measures <small>ICMJE</small>	<i>Same as current</i>
Change History	No Changes Posted
Current Secondary Outcome Measures <small>ICMJE</small> (submitted: September 12, 2005)	symptoms wearing N95 masks
Original Secondary Outcome Measures <small>ICMJE</small>	<i>Same as current</i>
Current Other Pre-specified Outcome Measures	<i>Not Provided</i>
Original Other Pre-specified Outcome Measures	<i>Not Provided</i>
Descriptive Information	
Brief Title <small>ICMJE</small>	The Physiological Impact of N95 Masks on Medical Staff
Official Title <small>ICMJE</small>	The Physiological Impact of N95 Masks on Medical Staff
Brief Summary	Wearing N95 masks may have adverse physical effect on medical staff
Detailed Description	<p>Wearing N95 masks results in hypooxygenemia and hypercapnia which reduce working efficiency and the ability to make correct decision.</p> <p>Medical staff are at increased risk of getting 'Severe acute respiratory syndrome'(SARS), and wearing N95 masks is highly recommended by experts worldwide. However, dizziness, headache, and short of breath are commonly experienced by the medical staff wearing N95 masks. The ability to make correct decision may be hampered, too. The purpose of the study was therefore to evaluate the physiological impact of N95 mask on medical staff.</p>
Study Type <small>ICMJE</small>	Interventional
Study Phase <small>ICMJE</small>	Not Applicable
Study Design <small>ICMJE</small>	Allocation: Randomized Intervention Model: Crossover Assignment Masking: Single Primary Purpose: Diagnostic
Condition <small>ICMJE</small>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypoxemia • Hypercapnia
Intervention <small>ICMJE</small>	Device: wearing N95 masks

Study Arms [ICMJE](#) *Not Provided*

Publications * *Not Provided*

* Includes publications given by the data provider as well as publications identified by ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier (NCT Number) in Medline.

Recruitment Information

Recruitment Status [ICMJE](#) Completed

Enrollment [ICMJE](#)
(submitted: September 12, 2005) 20

Original Enrollment [ICMJE](#) *Same as current*

Study Completion Date [ICMJE](#) June 2005

Primary Completion Date *Not Provided*

Eligibility Criteria [ICMJE](#)
Inclusion Criteria:

- medical staff

Exclusion Criteria:

- pregnancy

Sex/Gender [ICMJE](#) Sexes Eligible for Study: All

Ages [ICMJE](#) 20 Years to 50 Years (Adult)

Accepts Healthy Volunteers [ICMJE](#) Yes

Contacts [ICMJE](#) *Contact information is only displayed when the study is recruiting subjects*

Listed Location Countries [ICMJE](#) Taiwan

Removed Location Countries

Administrative Information

NCT Number [ICMJE](#) NCT00173017

Other Study ID Numbers [ICMJE](#) 9261700712

Has Data Monitoring Committee *Not Provided*

U.S. FDA-regulated Product *Not Provided*

IPD Sharing Statement [ICMJE](#) *Not Provided*

Responsible Party	<i>Not Provided</i>
Study Sponsor <small>ICMJE</small>	National Taiwan University Hospital
Collaborators <small>ICMJE</small>	<i>Not Provided</i>
Investigators <small>ICMJE</small>	Principal Investigator: Tze-Wah Kao, master National Taiwan University
PRS Account	National Taiwan University Hospital
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