Migraine patients, referred by GPs to participating centres

Weeks -4 to 0 (T0): Headache diary. Baseline assessment. Informed and signed consent

Randomisation (1:1:1)

Randomisation (1:2)

Randomisation (1:2)

Randomisation (1:2)

Nuclear med. Clinic

Healthcare center

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Baseline SPECT + Session 1 Verum acupuncture + Post-acupuncture SPECT

Verum acupuncture (8 sessions) [SPECT Group, 7 sessions]

Baseline SPECT + Session 1 Sham acupuncture + Post-acupuncture SPECT

Sham acupuncture (8 sessions) [SPECT Group, 7 sessions]

Conventional treatment

Final SPECT

Weeks 9-12 (T1): Headache diary, Final evaluation

Weeks 21-24 (T2): Headache diary, Follow-up evaluation