



CONSORT 2010 checklist of information to include when reporting a randomised trial*

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Title and abstract				
	1a	Identification as a randomised trial in the title	Page1/line18-20	Abstract/para3
	1b	Structured summary of trial design, methods, results, and conclusions (for specific guidance see Table 2)	Page1/line15-30 Page2/line1-06	Abstract/para2-5
Introduction				
Background and objectives	2a	Scientific background and explanation of rationale	Page2/line23-30 Page3/line01-26	Introductiong/para1-2
	2b	Specific objectives or hypotheses	Page3/line27-30 Page4/line01-05	Introductiong/para3
Methods				
Trial design	3a	Description of trial design (such as parallel, factorial) including allocation ratio	Page4/line09-14	methods/para1
	3b	Important changes to methods after trial commencement (such as eligibility criteria), with reasons	Page4/line15-16	methods/para1
Participants	4a	Eligibility criteria for participants	Page7/line10-17	methods/para8
	4b	Settings and locations where the data were collected	Page4/line11-13	methods/para1
Interventions	5	The interventions for each group with sufficient details to allow replication, including how and when they were actually administered	Page8/line20-30 Page9/line01-11	methods/para11-13
Outcomes	6a	Completely defined pre-specified primary and secondary outcome measures, including how and when they were assessed	Page9/line14-30 Page10/line01-10	methods/para14-15
	6b	Any changes to trial outcomes after the trial commenced, with reasons	Page8/line02-18	methods/para09-10
Sample size	7a	How sample size was determined	Page4/line21-29 Page5/line01-07	methods/para2
	7b	When applicable, explanation of any interim analyses and stopping guidelines	/	/
Randomisation:				
Sequence generatio	8a	Method used to generate the random allocation sequence	Page5/line10-12	methods/para3
	8b	Type of randomisation; details of any restriction (such as blocking and block size)	Page5/line03-07	methods/para1
Allocation concealmen	9	Mechanism used to implement the random allocation sequence (such as sequentially numbered containers), describing any steps taken to conceal the sequence until interventions were assigned		

Implementation	10	Who generated the random allocation sequence, who enrolled participants, and who assigned participants to interventions	Page5/line12-14	methods/para3
Blinding	11a	If done, who was blinded after assignment to interventions (for example, participants, care providers, those assessing outcomes) and how	Page5/line14-15	methods/para3
	11b	If relevant, description of the similarity of interventions		
Statistical methods	12a	Statistical methods used to compare groups for primary and secondary outcomes	Page11/line01-07	methods/para18
	12b	Methods for additional analyses, such as subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses	/	/
Results				
Participant flow (a diagram is strongly recommended)	13a	For each group, the numbers of participants who were randomly assigned, received intended treatment, and were analysed for the primary outcome	Page4/line10-14 Page10/line26-28	methods/para1,17
	13b	For each group, losses and exclusions after randomisation, together with reasons	/	/
Recruitment	14a	Dates defining the periods of recruitment and follow-up	Page4/line09-10	methods/para1
	14b	Why the trial ended or was stopped	/	
Baseline data	15	A table showing baseline demographic and clinical characteristics for each group	Page5/line20-26	methods/para4
Numbers analysed	16	For each group, number of participants (denominator) included in each analysis and whether the analysis was by original assigned groups	Page10/line24-28	methods/para17
Outcomes and estimation	17a	For each primary and secondary outcome, results for each group, and the estimated effect size and its precision (such as 95% confidence interval)	Page11/line10-19 Page12/line01-18 Page13/line01-19 Page14/line01-18 Page15/line01-04	Results/para 1-7
	17b	For binary outcomes, presentation of both absolute and relative effect sizes is recommended	/	/
Ancillary analyses	18	Results of any other analyses performed, including subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses, distinguishing pre-specified from exploratory	/	/
Harms	19	All important harms or unintended effects in each group (for specific guidance see CONSORT for harms)	Page15/line09-12 Page16/line01-06	Results/para 8
Discussion				
Limitations	20	Trial limitations, addressing sources of potential bias, imprecision, and, if relevant, multiplicity of analyses	Page19/line29-30 Page20/line01-07	Discussion/para5

Generalisability	21	Generalisability (external validity, applicability) of the trial findings	Page18/line28-30 Page19/line01-28	Discussion/para3-4
Interpretation	22	Interpretation consistent with results, balancing benefits and harms, and considering other relevant evidence	Page18/line06-27	Discussion/para2
Other information				
Registration	23	Registration number and name of trial registry	Page20/line19-21	Footnotes/para1

Protocol	24	Where the full trial protocol can be accessed, if available		
Funding	25	Sources of funding and other support (such as supply of drugs), role of funders		

*We strongly recommend reading this statement in conjunction with the CONSORT 2010 Explanation and Elaboration for important clarifications on all the items. If relevant, we also recommend reading CONSORT extensions for cluster randomised trials, non-inferiority and equivalence trials, non-pharmacological treatments, herbal interventions, and pragmatic trials. Additional extensions are forthcoming: for those and for up to date references relevant to this checklist, see www.consort-statement.org.

Table 2 Items to include when reporting a randomized trial in a journal or conference abstract

Item	Description	Reported on Page	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	Identification of the study as randomized	Page1/line19-21	Abstract/para3
Authors *	Contact details for the corresponding author		
Trial design	Description of the trial design (e.g. parallel, cluster, non-inferiority)	Page4/line9-16	methods/para1
Methods			
Participants	Eligibility criteria for participants and the settings where the data were collected	Page7/line10-17 Page10/line11-23	methods/para1,8
Interventions	Interventions intended for each group	Page8/line20-30 Page9/line01-11	methods/para11-13
Objective	Specific objective or hypothesis	Page3/line27-30 Page4/line01-05	Introductiong/para3
Outcome	Clearly defined primary outcome for this report	Page9/line14-30 Page10/line01-10	methods/para14-15
Randomization	How participants were allocated to interventions	Page5/line10-14	methods/para3
Blinding (masking)	Whether or not participants, care givers, and those assessing the outcomes were blinded to group assignment	Page5/line14-15	methods/para3

Results			
Numbers randomized	Number of participants randomized to each group	Page4/line10-14	methods/para1
Recruitment	Trial status	Page4/line09-10	methods/para1
Numbers analysed	Number of participants analysed in each group	Page10/line24-28	methods/para17
Outcome	For the primary outcome, a result for each group and the estimated effect size and its precision	Page11/line10-19 Page12/line01-18 Page13/line01-19 Page14/line01-18 Page15/line01-04	Results/para 1-7
Harms	Important adverse events or side effects	Page15/line09-12 Page16/line01-06	Results/para 8
Conclusions	General interpretation of the results	Page20/line10-12	Conclusion/para1
Trial registration	Registration number and name of trial register	Page20/line19-21	Footnotes/para1
Funding	Source of funding		

** this item is specific to conference abstracts*

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