

Section/Topic	Item No	Checklist item	Reported on page No**
Title and abstract	1a	Identification as a randomized trial in the title	No
	1b	Structured summary of trial design, methods, results, and conclusions <small>(for specific guidance see CONSORT for abstracts)</small>	<u>Page 1, lines 86-106</u>
Introduction Background and objectives	2a	Scientific background and explanation of rationale	page 2
	2b	Specific objectives or hypotheses	<u>page 3 line 291-294</u>
Methods Trial design	3a	Description of trial design (such as parallel, factorial) including allocation ratio	page 2, lines 220-224 and page 3, lines 285-290
	3b	Important changes to methods after trial commencement (such as eligibility criteria), with reasons	N/A
Participants	4a	Eligibility criteria for participants	<u>Page 3, lines 264-282</u>
	4b	Settings and locations where the data were collected	<u>Page 3 , lines 258-259, page 4, lines 408-414 and line 438-433</u>
Interventions	5	The interventions for each group with sufficient details to allow replication, including how and when they were actually administered	<u>page 3 lines 255-253, Page 4 lines 423-453</u>
Outcomes	6a	Completely defined pre-specified primary and secondary outcome measures, including how and when they were assessed	<u>Page 3 lines 299-307, Page 4, lines 353 and 354</u>
	6b	Any changes to trial outcomes after the trial commenced, with reasons	N/A
Sample size	7a	How sample size was determined	<u>Page 3 Lines 283-290</u>
	7b	When applicable, explanation of any interim analyses and stopping guidelines	N/A
Randomisation: Sequence generation	8a	Method used to generate the random allocation sequence	<u>page 4 lines 379-384</u>
	8b	Type of randomisation; details of any restriction (such as blocking and block size)	<u>Page 4 lines 379-382</u>
Allocation	9	Mechanism used to implement the random allocation sequence (such as sequentially numbered containers),	

concealment mechanism		describing any steps taken to conceal the sequence until interventions were assigned	page 4 379-380
Implementation	10	Who generated the random allocation sequence, who enrolled participants, and who assigned participants to interventions	page 4 378-382
Blinding	11a	If done, who was blinded after assignment to interventions (for example, participants, care providers, those	<u>N/A</u>
		assessing outcomes) and how	
	11b	If relevant, description of the similarity of interventions	N/A
Statistical methods	12a	Statistical methods used to compare groups for primary and secondary outcomes	page 5 lines 500-582
	12b	Methods for additional analyses, such as subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses	page 5 560-563, , 576-582
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	figure 1 page 5,
	13b	For each group, losses and exclusions after randomisation, together with reasons	page 5, lines 500-507
Recruitment	14a	Dates defining the periods of recruitment and follow-up	page 4 line 393
	14b	Why the trial ended or was stopped	sample size was achieved
Baseline data	15	A table showing baseline demographic and clinical characteristics for each group	page 7, table 1
Numbers analysed	16	For each group, number of participants (denominator) included in each analysis and whether the analysis was by original assigned groups	page 7 table 1 and 2
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)	Page 6 line 627-630, 633-639, 643-650, table 1 page 7, table 4 page 9
	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	N/A

		pre-specified from exploratory	
Harms	19	All important harms or unintended effects in each group <small>(for specific guidance see CONSORT for harms)</small>	N/A
Discussion			
Limitations	20	Trial limitations, addressing sources of potential bias, imprecision, and, if relevant, multiplicity of analyses	page 11 lines 1232-1239
Generalisability	21	Generalisability (external validity, applicability) of the trial findings	
Interpretation	22	Interpretation consistent with results, balancing benefits and harms, and considering other relevant evidence	page 8,9,10
Other information			
Registration	23	Registration number and name of trial registry	N/A
Protocol	24	Where the full trial protocol can be accessed, if available	Available on request
Funding	25	Sources of funding and other support (such as supply of drugs), role of funders	N/A