CONSORT criterion	Degree of adherence I	Degree of adherence II
Identification as a randomised trial in the title	Does the title contain "randomised controlled trial" or RCT?	*
Trial design	Description of design in addition to: RCT (randomised, controlled) and Multicentre…	*
Participant characteristics	To document patient characteristics in the abstract, it is not enough to say that patients are suitable for the therapy.	*
Interventions	Intervention indicated	Intervention for each group including dosis indicated
Objective	Specific objective or hypothesis	*
Definition primary endpoint	Documentation of (multiple) endpoints	Clearly defined primary endpoint including measurement variables
Randomisation	Documentation of randomisation ratio in the section Material and Methods	Description of method used to generate the random allocation sequence and implementation in the section Material and Methods
Blinding	Documentation of "blinded" procedure using "masked", "blinded", "doubleblind" or similar descriptions	Exact indication of which patient group was blinded
Numbers randomised	Number of patients randomised to each group must be given, or at least total number with randomisation ratio!	*
Recruitment	Dates defining the trial period (trial completed/interim report/trial from ... to …) .	*
Numbers analysed	Number of participants analysed in EACH group	*
Results of outcome	Results reported in section "Results"	Results were reported with reference to the primary endpoint. Effect size and precision are reported for each group.
Harms	General description	*
Conclusion	The abstract contains a conclusion or summary.	The conclusion refers to the research question/results and lists benefits and limitations of the study
Trial registration	Registration number	*
Funding	Source of funding	*

Supplementary table 1: Evaluation basis for CONSORT-A criteria referring to degree of adherence I (information given in the abstract) and degree of adherence II (correct documentation in accordance

with CONSORT-A). * Variables without formal degree of adherence II. Values from degree of adherence I are transferred.