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		(b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done
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Background/rationale	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported
		Introduction pages 2 and 3
Objectives	3	State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses \boxtimes Last paragraph of
		introduction, page 3
Methods		
Study design	4	Present key elements of study design early in the paper \boxtimes First paragraph of
		methods, p12
Setting	5	Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates, including periods of recruitment,
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Variables	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect
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		paragraph of methods and supplement. Exposures, predictors, confounders, and effect
.	0.1	modifiers described in statistical methods.
Data sources/	8*	For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of
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Bias	9	randomized controlled trial, but potential bias from participants without measured
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Study size	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at \boxtimes Study size dictated by RCT size and
Study Size	10	available plasma
Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable,
(describe which groupings were chosen and why \boxtimes Statistical methods pages 14-15
Statistical methods	12	(<i>a</i>) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding
		\boxtimes
		(b) Describe any methods used to examine subgroups and interactions \boxtimes
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Results		
Participants	13*	(a) Report numbers of individuals at each stage of study—eg numbers potentially
		eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the study,
		completing follow-up, and analysed \boxtimes These data are provided in the study diagram
		Figure 1
		(b) Give reasons for non-participation at each stage \boxtimes Results page 4 and flow

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		diagram
		(c) Consider use of a flow diagram 🔀
Descriptive data	14*	(a) Give characteristics of study participants (eg demographic, clinical, social) and
		information on exposures and potential confounders \boxtimes Table 1
		(b) Indicate number of participants with missing data for each variable of interest \boxtimes
		Included in results
Outcome data	15*	Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures \boxtimes Included in results
		pages 5-7 and supplemental results
Main results	16	(a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and
		their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were
		adjusted for and why they were included \boxtimes
		(b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized \boxtimes
		(c) If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a
		meaningful time period 🛛 Results are presented as rate ratios and absolute event
		rates are reported
Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done-eg analyses of subgroups and interactions, and
		sensitivity analyses 🖂
Discussion		
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives 🛛 Discussion paragraph 1
		page 7-8
Limitations	19	Discuss limitations of the study, taking into account sources of potential bias or
		imprecision. Discuss both direction and magnitude of any potential bias $oxtimes$
		Discussion page 11
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