# A randomised controlled trial of four commercial weight loss programmes in a community-based sample of obese adults

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10/02/2005		[_] Protocol		
<b>Registration date</b>	<b>Overall study status</b> Completed	[] Statistical analysis plan		
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Last Edited 28/04/2011	<b>Condition category</b> Nutritional, Metabolic, Endocrine	Individual participant data		

### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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**Type(s)** Scientific

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### Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS number** 

ClinicalTrials.gov number NCT00327821

Secondary identifying numbers N/A

### Study information

#### Scientific Title

#### Acronym

Diet Trials

#### **Study objectives**

This study is a community-based trial that will concurrently assess four commercial weight loss programmes. In addition to the primary outcome of percentage body fat loss, this study was designed to also examine changes in health risk, for example blood lipids, and psychological effects of these diets. Finally, the study will examine the practical aspects of adherence to the programmes by considering the subjective experiences of the subjects following the different programmes.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)** Not provided at time of registration

**Study design** Randomised controlled trial

### Primary study design

Interventional

**Secondary study design** Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)** Not specified

**Study type(s)** Treatment

#### Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied Obesity

#### Interventions

- 1. Weight watchers pure points
- 2. The Atkins diet
- 3. The Slimfast meal replacement plan
- 4. Rosemary Conley diet and fitness plan
- 5. Control: Non-dieting group

#### Intervention Type

Other

**Phase** Not Specified

**Primary outcome measure** Primary outcome measure was differences in percentage body fat over 6 months

**Secondary outcome measures** Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date 01/07/2002

**Completion date** 31/07/2003

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria** Healthy adults with body mass index (BMI) >27 and <39

Participant type(s) Patient

**Age group** Adult

**Sex** Both

**Target number of participants** 300

**Key exclusion criteria** Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment 01/07/2002

Date of final enrolment 31/07/2003

### Locations

**Countries of recruitment** England

United Kingdom

**Study participating centre School of Biomedical and Molecular Sciences** Guildford United Kingdom GU2 7XH

### Sponsor information

**Organisation** British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)

**Sponsor details** White City 201 Wood Lane London United Kingdom W12 7TS

**Sponsor type** Other

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### Funder(s)

**Funder type** Other

**Funder Name** British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)

### **Results and Publications**

**Publication and dissemination plan** Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

**IPD sharing plan summary** Not provided at time of registration

#### Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Other publications	initial findings	03/06/2006		Yes	No
Results article	results	02/09/2008		Yes	No