

# Trial of lifestyle intervention by group care in the management of type 2 diabetes (ROMEO Trial)

**Submission date**

28/01/2009

**Recruitment status**

No longer recruiting

☐ Prospectively registered

☒ Protocol

**Registration date**

10/02/2009

**Overall study status**

Completed

☐ Statistical analysis plan

☒ Results

**Last Edited**

26/08/2014

**Condition category**

Nutritional, Metabolic, Endocrine

☐ Individual participant data

**Plain English summary of protocol**

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

**Type(s)**

Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

N/A

# Study information

## Scientific Title

ROMEIO: Rethink Organisation to iMprove Education and Outcomes. A randomised controlled multi-centre trial of lifestyle intervention by group care in the management of type 2 diabetes

## Acronym

ROMEIO

## Study objectives

Scarcity of resources, expertise and evidence-based models have so far limited delivery of patient-centred therapeutic education in clinical routine. We have developed and validated a Group Care approach that is applicable to everyday practice and cost-effective in improving metabolic control, knowledge of diabetes, health behaviours and quality of life in type 2 diabetes. A clinical trial (Rethink Organisation to iMprove Education and Outcomes [ROMEIO]) was planned to evaluate the applicability and reproducibility of Group Care in other centres and in a larger patient population.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethics Committee of the Molinette san Giovanni Battista University Hospital and Maria Adelaide Hospital, Torino (Comitato Etico Interaziendale AOU San Giovanni Battista di Torino e AO CTO Maria Adelaide di Torino), approved on 27/01/2009 (ref: 0006703).

## Study design

Randomised controlled multi-centre trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Study setting(s)

Other

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

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

Type 2 diabetes

## Interventions

Participants were randomly allocated to the following two groups:

Intervention group: Group Care, consisting of a clinical approach in which diabetes care is routinely delivered as group sessions built upon a systemic education programme whereas individual care is dedicated to emerging clinical problems, yearly checks for complications or patients' explicit requests. Each group session lasted on average 50 min.

Control group: Traditional one-to-one visits delivered by the same physicians/ nurses/ dieticians/ educators involved in Group Care. Each control individual visit lasted on average 15 min.

Visits took place every 3 months for 4 years. Total duration of follow-up: 4 years.

### **Intervention Type**

Other

### **Phase**

Not Applicable

### **Primary outcome measure**

1. Clinical outcomes
  - 1.1. Glycated haemoglobin, measured every 3 months for 4 years
  - 1.2. Low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol, assessed yearly for 4 years
  - 1.3. Systolic and diastolic blood pressure, measured every 3 months for 4 years
2. Cognitive and psychological outcomes
  - 2.1. Quality of life, assessed yearly for 4 years
  - 2.2. Knowledge of diabetes, assessed every 2 years for 4 years
  - 2.3. Health behaviours, assessed yearly for 4 years

### **Secondary outcome measures**

1. Cardiovascular events, followed up for 4 years
2. Cost-effectiveness analysis at 4 years

### **Overall study start date**

09/05/2000

### **Completion date**

14/07/2007

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

1. Outpatients with non insulin-treated type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) of at least 1 year known duration
2. Both males and females, aged <80
3. Normally followed in a diabetes centre

### **Participant type(s)**

Patient

### **Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

532

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. New diagnosis of diabetes
2. Age <40 or >80
3. Insulin treatment
4. Established psychiatric problems
5. Presence of terminal illness

**Date of first enrolment**

09/05/2000

**Date of final enrolment**

14/07/2007

**Locations****Countries of recruitment**

Italy

**Study participating centre**

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University of Turin (Italy)

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**Sponsor type**

University/education

**Website**

<http://www.unito.it>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/048tbm396>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Industry

**Funder Name**

European Foundation for the Study of Diabetes/Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (EFSD /JDRF)/Novo Nordisk Type 2 Diabetes Research Grant (Denmark)

## 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?
<a href="#">Protocol article</a>	protocol in:	01/06/2004		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/04/2010		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/09/2014		Yes	No