

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

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Study information

Scientific Title
ROMEO: 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

ROME0

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 [ROME0]) 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

Study type(s)

Treatment

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(s)

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

Key secondary outcome(s)

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

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

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

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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Sponsor information

Organisation

University of Turin (Italy)

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

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?
Results article	results	01/04/2010		Yes	No

Results article	results	01/09/2014	Yes	No
Protocol article	protocol in:	01/06/2004	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025 No	Yes