# Effects of a cognitive-behavioural mindfulness intervention upon quality of life, depression and fatigue among multiple sclerosis (MS) patients

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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# Type(s)

Scientific

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EudraCT/CTIS number

**IRAS** number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

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3200B0-112604

# Study information

#### Scientific Title

Effects of a cognitive-behavioural mindfulness intervention upon quality of life, depression and fatigue among multiple sclerosis (MS) patients

#### **Study objectives**

In comparison to conventional optimal medical management, multiple sclerosis (MS) patients assigned to a mindfulness-based stress-reduction (MBSR) intervention will manifest greater improvements in quality of life and reductions in depression and fatigue.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Ethics approval received from the Ethics Committee of Basel (EKBB) on the 21st March 2007 (ref: 32/07)

#### Study design

Single-centre, 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

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

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

Multiple sclerosis

#### **Interventions**

Intervention:

Mindfulness-based stress reduction. 8-week group (10 - 15 participants) intervention, 2.5 hours per week with one additional whole-day session and optimal conventional medical care.

#### Control:

Optimal conventional medical care alone.

#### Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

#### Primary outcome measure

- 1. Quality of life: Hamburg Quality of Life Questionnaire in Multiple Sclerosis and Profile Quality of Life in Chronic Disorder
- 2. Modified Fatigue Impact Scale
- 3. Center for Epidemiological Studies Depression Scale

Timepoints of assessment: pre-Intervention, post-intervention and 6-month post-intervention.

#### Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Multiple Sclerosis Inventory of Cognition
- 2. Personal Goal Attainment Scale
- 3. Visual Analogue Quality of Life Scale
- 4. Spielberger Trait Anxiety Scale
- 5. Expanded Disability Status Scale
- 6. 25-foot walk test

Timepoints of assessment: pre-Intervention, post-intervention and 6-month post-intervention.

#### Overall study start date

01/04/2007

# Completion date

30/06/2009

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Both males and females, aged 18 70 years
- 2. Verified diagnosis of MS with an expanded disability status scale score of less than or equal to 6.0 (from no disability to moderately severe disability MS) and no more than one step increase within the last year. We include patients with the following types of disease:
- 2.1. Relapsing-remitting MS and no more than two exacerbations within the last year, with at least three months since start of last relapse; or
- 2.2. Secondary progressive disease
- 3. Patients who have not initiated or changed treatment with a disease-modifying drug within the past three months
- 4. Patients who have not been treated with corticosteroids within the previous 30 days
- 5. Time since onset of disease will be evaluated and considered in statistical analyses but will not form a criterion for enrolment into the study

#### Participant type(s)

Patient

# Age group

#### Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 Years

#### Sex

Both

#### Target number of participants

140

#### Total final enrolment

150

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Serious psychological disorders other than depression and anxiety syndromes, such as psychotic disorders, bipolar disorders, borderline personality disorders or active substance abuse disorders
- 2. Evidence of dementia as indicated by testing below the fifth percentile in at least three of six dimensions of neuropsychological functioning (i.e. attention and concentration, processing speed, executive function, verbal memory, and verbal processing)
- 3. Suicidality
- 4. Other life-threatening or severely disabling physical disorders
- 5. Current MS exacerbation
- 6. Other disorders of the central nervous system (CNS) besides MS
- 7. Symptomatic medication has been altered within the past three months
- 8. Pregnancy
- 9. Inability to understand written and spoken German

#### Date of first enrolment

01/04/2007

#### Date of final enrolment

30/06/2009

# Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

Germany

Switzerland

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# **Sponsor information**

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University/education

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#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/04k51q396

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Government

#### **Funder Name**

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#### **Funding Body Type**

Private sector organisation

#### **Funding Body Subtype**

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

#### Location

Switzerland

#### Funder Name

St. Johnson Foundation (Switzerland)

#### Funder Name

Swiss MS Society (Switzerland)

#### Funder Name

Merck Serono (Switzerland)

#### Funder Name

Sanofi Aventis (France)

#### Funder Name

Biogen Dompe (Switzerland)

# **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?
Results article	results	28/09/2010	11/06/2019	Yes	No