# FoodSteps: lifestyle interventions at the workplace, the effects of adjustments of the building and canteen on physical activities and dietary habits

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

#### Contact information

#### Type(s)

Scientific

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#### Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number** N/A

# Study information

Scientific Title

FoodSteps: lifestyle interventions at the workplace, the effects of adjustments of the building and canteen on physical activities and dietary habits

#### Acronym

FoodSteps

#### **Study objectives**

To study the effectiveness of FoodSteps on cardiovascular risk indicators

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Approved by the VU University Medical Center on 14/07/2003, reference number: 03/083

#### Study design

Longitudinal, controlled study (baseline, 3 and 12-month follow-up)

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Study type(s)

Quality of life

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

Office workers and cardiovascular risks

#### Interventions

The relatively modest intervention consisted of two parts:

- 1. A food part: designed to stimulate healthier food choices by means of product information about six food product groups (calorific value of a product was translated into the number of minutes of activity needed to burn these calories)
- 2. A steps part: focused on stimulating the use of the stairs by means of motivational prompts on staircases and on elevator doors

#### Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

#### Primary outcome(s)

- 1. Body composition (BMI, waist-hip circumference, skinfold thickness)
- 2. Serum cholesterol (total, high-density lipoprotein [HDL], low-density lipoprotein [LDL])
- 3. Blood pressure
- 4. Objective stair-use
- 5. Self-reported physical activity
- 6. Self-reported fruit, vegetable and fat intake

#### Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

#### Completion date

01/01/2006

# **Eligibility**

#### Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Office worker
- 2. Ability to climb stairs
- 3. Slightly overweight (self-reported body mass index [BMI] ≥23)
- 4. A work contract for at least the duration of the intervention

#### Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

#### Age group

Adult

#### Sex

All

#### Total final enrolment

515

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Subjects who were pregnant or became pregnant during the intervention year
- 2. Severe cardiovascular or musculoskeletal disorders

#### Date of first enrolment

01/01/2003

#### Date of final enrolment

01/01/2006

### **Locations**

#### Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

# Study participating centre van der Boechorststraat 7

Amsterdam Netherlands 1081 BT

# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw)

#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/01yaj9a77

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Research organisation

#### **Funder Name**

Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw)

#### Alternative Name(s)

Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development

#### **Funding Body Type**

Private sector organisation

#### **Funding Body Subtype**

Other non-profit organizations

#### Location

Netherlands

#### **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	17/10/2006	08/01/2021	Yes	No
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes