

# Novel approaches in in-vitro fertilisation (IVF)

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**  
NTR587

## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
Novel approaches in in-vitro fertilisation (IVF)

**Study objectives**

Strategies involving shorter and milder ovarian stimulation protocols and single embryo transfer may allow for more in-vitro fertilisation (IVF) cycles in the same period of time, resulting in similar term live birth rate per treatment period despite a minor reduction in birth rate per treatment cycle.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Received from the local medical ethics committee

**Study design**

Multicentre, randomised, active controlled, parallel group trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Infertility

**Interventions**

Patients were randomly assigned to undergo either:

1. Mild treatment (mild ovarian stimulation with gonadotropin-releasing hormone [GnRH] antagonist co-treatment combined with single embryo transfer), or
2. Standard treatment (stimulation with a GnRH agonist long-protocol and transfer of two embryos)

**Intervention Type**

Drug

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Drug/device/biological/vaccine name(s)**

Gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH)

**Primary outcome(s)**

The primary outcome parameters chosen for this study were:

1. Pregnancy within one year of treatment after randomisation leading to term (greater than 37 weeks gestation) live birth
2. Total costs per couple and child up to six weeks after expected delivery
3. Patient discomfort/distress during IVF treatment

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

No secondary outcome measures

**Completion date**

01/03/2005

## Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

1. Patients with an indication for IVF or IVF/intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) based on tubal, male or unexplained infertility were recruited
2. Patients less than 38 years with a normal menstrual cycle (cycle length between period 25 - 35 days) and without severe obesity or underweight (body mass index [BMI] 18 - 28 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) were eligible for the study

### Participant type(s)

Patient

### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

### Age group

Adult

### Lower age limit

18 years

### Sex

Female

### Total final enrolment

404

### Key exclusion criteria

Does not comply with the above inclusion criteria.

### Date of first enrolment

01/02/2002

### Date of final enrolment

01/03/2005

## Locations

### Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

### Study participating centre

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

University Medical Centre Utrecht (UMCU) (The Netherlands)

## ROR

<https://ror.org/04pp8hn57>

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Research organisation

## Funder Name

The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) (The Netherlands)

# Results and Publications

## Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

Not provided at time of registration

## 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="#">Results article</a>		03/03/2007		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	Patient discomfort, risks and costs	05/04/2008	27/10/2022	Yes	No
<a href="#">Other publications</a>	Psychological impact	01/09/2007		Yes	No