# Effect of Assistive Technology in patients with Hand OsteoArthritis: A randomised, controlled trial

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<b>Registration date</b> 05/09/2007	<b>Overall study status</b> Completed	<ul> <li>Statistical analysis plan</li> <li>Results</li> </ul>
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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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## Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

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Secondary identifying numbers N/A

### Study information

#### Scientific Title

#### Acronym

ATHOA

#### **Study objectives**

Study hypothesis updated as of 08/04/2008:

Although use of assistive technology is a frequent self help strategy in persons with hand osteoarthritis, there is a lack of high quality studies that examine the effect of assistive devices in this group. The aim of this study is to evaluate the effect of provision of assistive technology and patient education compared to patient education alone.

Study hypothesis provided at time of registration:

Although provision of assistive technology is one of the most frequent non-pharmacological, non-surgical interventions for persons with inflammatory rheumatic diseases, there is a lack of high quality studies that examine the effect of this intervention. The aim of this study is to evaluate the effect of provision of assistive technology and patient education compared to patient education alone.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Ethical Committee for Medical Research and the Norwegian Data Inspectorate. Date of approval: 05/03/2008 (ref: 182-07240b 1.2007.1941)

#### Study design

Randomised controlled trial.

#### Primary study design

Interventional

**Secondary study design** Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)** Not specified

**Study type(s)** Other

#### 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

Hand osteoarthritis

#### Interventions

Please note that, as of 08/04/2008, the anticipated start date of this trial was updated from 01 /09/2007 to 15/04/2008.

Participants will be randomly allocated to the following two groups:

Group 1: Provision of assistive technology and patient education Group 2: Patient education only

Provision of assitive technology includes involving the participants in selecting appropriate device(s) and training in use of the device(s).

Patient education includes provision of information about diagnosis and prognosis, and teaching of energy conservation and alternative working methods.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

#### Primary outcome measure

Primary outcome measures amended as of 22/04/2008:

The following will be assessed at baseline and three months:

1. Activity and participation, measured with the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM)

2. Pain during performance of prioritised activities, measured on visual analogue scales

Primary outcome measures provided at time of registration:

The following will be measured at baseline, 6 and 12 months:

1. Activity and participation, measured with the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM)

2. Pain during performance of prioritised activities, measured on visual analogue scales

#### Secondary outcome measures

Secondary outcome measures amended as of 22/04/2008:

The following will be assessed at baseline and three months:

1. Hand function, measured with the pain, stiffness and function subscales of the Australian /Canadian hand osteoarthritis measure (AUSCAN)

- 2. Functional ability, measured with the Modified health Assessment Questionnaire (MHAQ)
- 3. Hand pain, general pain, fatigue and disease activity, measured on visual analogue scales

4. Cost-effectiveness, measured with the Quality of Life Questionnaire (EQ-5D) and patient reported use of medication and health care resources

Secondary outcome measures provided at time of registration:

- The following will be measured at baseline and 6 and 12 months:
- 1. Fatigue, measured with the Fatigue Impact Scale (FIS)
- 2. Quality of life, measured with the Arthritis Impact Scale (AIMS2)
- 3. Pain, fatigue and disease activity, measured on visual analogue scales.

Functional ability, measured with the Modified Health Assessment Questionnaire (MHAQ).
 Cost-effectiveness, measured with the Quality of Life Questionnaire (15D) and patient reported use of medications and health care resources

Overall study start date

15/04/2008

### **Completion date**

31/12/2009

# Eligibility

#### Key inclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria updated as of 08/04/2008:

- 1. Age between 18 and 80 years
- 2. Hand osteoarthritis according to the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) criteria
- 3. Ability to communicate in Norwegian

Inclusion criteria provided at time of registration:

1. Age between 18 and 75 years

2. Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA), Juvenile Ideopatic Arthritis (JIA) or Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA) according to the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) criteria 3. Ability to communicate in Norwegian

**Participant type(s)** Patient

Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 Years

Sex

Not Specified

#### Target number of participants

Target number as of 08/04/2008: 70. Target number at time of registration: 100

#### Key exclusion criteria

Exclusion criteria updated as of 08/04/2008:

- 1. Cognitive or mental impairment
- 2. Hand surgery within the last 6 months
- 3. Change in medication within the last month
- 4. Impaired hand function due to trauma or diseases other than hand osteoarthritis

#### Exclusion criteria provided at time of registration:

1. Surgery within the last 6 months

2. Cognitive impairment or mental disease

3. Change in medication within the last month

4. Need for assistive technology due to surgery or to be able to be discharged from hospital

Date of first enrolment 15/04/2008

Date of final enrolment 31/12/2009

### Locations

**Countries of recruitment** Norway

**Study participating centre Diakonhjemmet Hospital/NRRK** Oslo Norway 0319

### Sponsor information

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**Sponsor type** Hospital/treatment centre

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**Funder type** Hospital/treatment centre

**Funder Name** The National Resource Center for Rehabilitation in Rheumatology, Diakonhjemmet Hospital, Oslo (Norway)

### **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