# Effects of a psychotherapy intervention in depressed patients with coronary artery disease

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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**EudraCT/CTIS** number

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Secondary identifying numbers

**ZKSK-371** 

## Study information

#### Scientific Title

A Stepwise Psychotherapy Intervention for Reducing Risk in Coronary Artery Disease - a randomised controlled trial (SPIRR-CAD)

#### Acronym

SPIRR-CAD

#### **Study objectives**

To determine the effects of a psychotherapy intervention on symptoms of depression in depressed patients with coronary artery disease.

#### Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

#### Ethics approval(s)

Ethics Committee of University of Göttingen, 25/10/2007, ref: 5/10/07

#### Study design

Randomised controlled multi-centre clinical trial with masked evaluation (observer)

#### Primary study design

Interventional

#### Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

#### Study setting(s)

Hospital

#### Study type(s)

Treatment

#### Participant information sheet

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

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

Depressive symptoms in patients with coronary artery disease

#### **Interventions**

Experimental intervention: Stepwise, manualised individual and group psychotherapy in addition to usual cardiological care. Patients randomised in the intervention group receive 3 sessions of individual psychotherapy (50 minutes per session, 1 session per week). Only those patients with persisting symptoms of depression receive additional 25 sessions of group psychotherapy (90 minutes per session) over 10 months (first 20 sessions on a weekly basis, then 5 sessions once a month).

Control intervention: Usual cardiological care including one psychosocial information session

#### Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

#### Primary outcome measure

Amended as of 24/01/2011:

Changes from baseline to 18 months in depressive symptoms (HADS-D)

Initial information at time of registration:

Changes from baseline to year 1 in depressive symptoms (HADS-D)

#### Secondary outcome measures

Amended as of 24/01/2011:

The following will be monitored up to 24 months:

- 1. Remission of depressive disorder (Structured Clinical Interview [SCID]) at baseline and 18 months
- 2. Type D pattern, assessed by a self rating questionnaire (DS-14) at baseline, 1, 6, 12, 18 and 24 months
- 3. Health-related quality of life, evaluated by the self rating questionnaires the 36-item Short Form health survey (SF-36) and EuroQuol-5D at baseline, 6, 12, 18 and 24 months
- 4. Cardiovascular risk profile
- 5. Neuroendocrine and immunological activation
- 6. Coagulation
- 7. Heart rate variability
- 8. Cardiac events
- 9. Health care utilisation and costs

Initial information at time of registration:

The following will be monitored up to 24 months:

- 1. Remission of depressive disorder (Structured Clinical Interview [SCID]) at baseline and 12 months
- 2. Type D pattern, assessed by a self rating questionnaire (DS-14) at baseline, 1, 6, 12, and 24 months
- 3. Health-related quality of life, evaluated by the self rating questionnaires the 36-item Short Form health survey (SF-36) and EuroQuol-5D at baseline, 6, 12, and 24 months
- 4. Cardiovascular risk profile
- 5. Neuroendocrine and immunological activation
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- 8. Cardiac events
- 9. Health care utilisation and costs

#### Overall study start date

01/11/2008

#### Completion date

30/09/2013

## **Eligibility**

#### Key inclusion criteria

Amended as of 24/01/2011:

- 1. Gender: both
- 2. Minimum age: 18, maximum age: 75
- 3. Patients with any manifestation of coronary heart disease with recent (less than 3 months old) coronary angiograms and elevated questionnaire scores for depression (Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale [HADS] depression subscale greater than or equal to 8)

Initial information at time of registration:

- 1. Gender: both
- 2. Minimum age: 18, maximum age: 75
- 3. Patients hospitalised for any manifestation of coronary heart disease with recent (less than 3 months old) coronary angiograms and elevated questionnaire scores for depression (Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale [HADS] depression subscale greater than or equal to 8)

#### Participant type(s)

Patient

#### Age group

Adult

#### Lower age limit

18 Years

#### Sex

Both

#### Target number of participants

569

#### Total final enrolment

570

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Severe heart failure or other acutely life-threatening conditions
- 2. Severe chronic inflammatory disease
- 3. Current suicidal tendency
- 4. Severe depressive episode or other severe mental illness

#### Date of first enrolment

01/11/2008

#### Date of final enrolment

30/09/2013

## Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

## Study participating centre University of Göttingen

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#### **ROR**

https://ror.org/01y9bpm73

## Funder(s)

## Funder type

Government

#### **Funder Name**

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft

#### Alternative Name(s)

German Research Association, German Research Foundation, DFG

#### **Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

## Funding Body Subtype

National government

#### Location

Germany

## **Results and Publications**

## Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

#### Intention to publish date

#### 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?
Protocol article	protocol	01/10/2011		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/07/2016		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/01/2017		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/02/2018		Yes	No
Other publications	secondary analysis	01/05/2018		Yes	No
Results article	gender differences results	01/10/2018		Yes	No
Other publications	secondary analysis	04/02/2019		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/08/2019	05/08 /2019	Yes	No
Results article	Secondary analysis in participants with depression	28/10/2021	, 12/11 /2021	Yes	No