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# MoCog - influence of physical activity and training on motor and cognitive performance in older people [MoKog - Einfluss von körperlichsportlicher Aktivität und Training auf die motorische und geistige Leistungsfähigkeit bei älteren Personen]

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

#### Study website

http://www.ibusg.de/index.php?page=mokog

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# Additional identifiers

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## IRAS number

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# Study information

## Scientific Title

MoCog - Intervention study on motor and cognitive performance of older adults with and without Alzheimers disease [MoKog - Eine Interventionsstudie zur körperlichen und geistigen Leistungsfähigkeit bei älteren Personen mit und ohne Alzheimer Demenz]

### Acronym

MoCog [MoKog]

## **Study objectives**

The aims of the study are:

1. To analyse the differences in motor and cognitive performance between:

1.1. Healthy and demented persons

1.2. Physically active and inactive persons

2. To show whether increased physical activity reduces the progression of Alzheimer's disease

3. To examine the relationship between physical activity across life span and cognitive performance

4. To examine:

4.1. The correlation of motor and cognitive performance

4.2. The influence of Alzheimer's disease on motor performance

4.3. The effect of the genetic risk factor APOE4 on cognitive performance and health-related fitness

5. To improve motor and cognitive performance through exercise training

6. To compare the effectiveness of different exercise programs (endurance and strength training)

7. To evaluate the feasibility and acceptance of the exercise training program

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethics-Committee of the Institute of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelm University of Bonn, gave approval on the 21st November 2003 (ref: 156/03). Amendment on 23rd January 2006 (ref: 179/03).

## Study design

Interventional randomised controlled trial nested within a cross-sectional, longitudinal study

## Primary study design

Interventional

#### Secondary study design Randomised controlled trial

**Study setting(s)** Other

**Study type(s)** Quality of life

#### 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

Alzheimer's disease

#### Interventions

1. Intervention group:

Participants exercise two times per week for three months. Every session comprises 60 minutes (5 - 10 minute warm-up and 5 - 10 minute cool-down on an ergometer). Participants were divided into either a strength training group or an endurance training group:

#### 1.1. Strength training group:

Weight training of the major muscle groups for 60 minutes per session. Starting with strengthendurance and intramuscular coordination training (40 - 60% of one repetition maximum [RM], three sets of 20 repetitions) in the initial starting program (first 4 weeks), followed by hypertrophy training (80% of one RM, three sets of 8 - 12 repetitions) for 8 weeks. The intensity of loading was gradually increased, adapted on subjectively perceived exertion (16 to 18 points on the Borg scale).

#### 1.2. Endurance training group:

The endurance training on an ergometer was in accordance with the American College of Sports Medicine's (ACSM's) guidelines for exercise prescription. Volume and intensity of effort were gradually increased every week, starting at 20 minutes and 50 - 60% heart rate (HR) and ending at 60 minutes and 75 - 80% HR max.

#### 2. Control group:

The participants of the control group received no intervention. Possible changes in physical activities in the intervention group and control group were controlled by a questionnaire.

Total duration of treatment: 24 training sessions Total duration of follow-up: 2 - 5 days

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#### Intervention Type

Other

## Phase

Not Applicable

### Primary outcome measure

1. Health status: genotype testing (Presilin-1-Gen, Presilin-2-Gen, Apolipoprotein E2, 3, 4), measured pre-test only

- 2. Health-related fitness, measured pre-test and post-test:
- 2.1. Endurance via ergometer (World Health Organization [WHO] protocol, lactate analysis)
- 2.2. Maximal isometric strength (knee flexion, knee extension, hip adduction, hip abduction,

forearm extension, forearm flexion, hand grip)

- 2.3. Strength-endurance (chair rising, arm-curl)
- 2.4. Flexibility (trunk and head rotation, back scratch, sit and reach)
- 2.5. Reaction and movement time (simple/choice reaction)
- 2.6. Fine motor movement (hand-eye coordination)
- 2.7. Balance (Romberg Test with and without visual control, Tandem and Semi-Tandem Stand)
- 3. Cognitive function, measured pre-test and post-test:
- 3.1. Cognitive screening (Mini Mental Status Test [MMST])
- 3.2. Vocabulary (Multiple-Choice Word Test [MWT-B])
- 3.3. Immediate verbal and visual-spatial memory span (Corsi Block Tapping Test)
- 3.4. Digits forward/backward (Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale [WAIS])
- 3.5. Information processing speed and attention (d2, Trail-Making Test Parts A and B [TMT A/B])
- 3.6. Perceptual speed and response inhibition (cerebraler Insutfizienz Test [c.I.Test])
- 3.7. Word fluency and mental rotation (Leistungsprufsystem [LPS])
- 3.8. Anticipation and planning (Maze Test)
- 3.9. Verbal learning (Verbaler Lern- und Merkfähigkeitstest [VLMT])

## Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Health status, measured pre-test and post-test:
- 1.1. Body composition
- 1.2. Chronic diseases
- 1.3. Functional limitations
- 1.4. Pain
- 1.5. Rate of falls
- 1.6. Medication
- 1.7. Geriatric assessment
- 1.8. Self-related health (5-point-Likert scale)
- 1.9. Depression rating scale
- 1.10. Locus of control
- 2. Activities, measured pre-test and post-test:
- 2.1. Leisure time and social activities

2.2. Physical activities (manner, duration, frequency, intensity, last 12 months and across life span)

3. Feedback (from Alzheimer patients and caregiver/family member) on exercise program, measured post-test only

## Overall study start date

01/04/2006

### **Completion date**

13/08/2007

# Eligibility

### Key inclusion criteria

1. Men and women, aged 49 to 93 years

2. Participants must be able to understand, read, and speak German

3. The patients sample is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease (light or moderate) which was assessed with the Consortium to establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease (CERAD) neuropsychological test battery

4. Participants must have an mini-mental state examination (MMSE) score greater than or equal to 10 points

5. Participants without Alzheimer's disease have to be older than 60 years and must have an MMSE score greater than or equal to 24

### Participant type(s)

Patient

### Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

**Target number of participants** 240

#### Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Patients with one of the following diseases:
- 1.1. Acute coronary heart diseases
- 1.2. Thrombophlebitis
- 1.3. Acute lung diseases
- 1.4. Infections
- 1.5. Osteoporosis
- 2. Patients who are not able to sit or stand without aid

#### Date of first enrolment

01/04/2006

Date of final enrolment 13/08/2007

## Locations

Countries of recruitment

Germany

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## Sponsor information

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**Funder type** University/education

**Funder Name** University of Bonn (Germany)

**Funder Name** German Sport University Cologne (Germany)

## **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