

# Effect of a multidisciplinary in-patient rehabilitation program for patients with ankylosing spondylitis: a randomised controlled trial

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## Additional identifiers

## Study information

Scientific Title

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## Study objectives

Although treatment of patients with ankylosing spondylitis (AS) frequently includes exercise therapies and multidisciplinary interventions, there is a lack of high quality studies that examine the effect of such programs. This study is aimed at evaluating the effect of a multidisciplinary in-patient rehabilitation program compared to community-based standard physiotherapy for patients with AS.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Ethical approval was obtained in 2005 from the Regional Ethical Committee (ref. 738-05259 1.2005.2256), and approval from the Data Inspectorate is in progress as of 13/02/2006.

## Study design

Randomised controlled trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

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

Ankylosing spondylitis (AS)

## Interventions

The study is a prospective, randomised, controlled (two arm) trial. The two groups are:

1. A three-week multidisciplinary in-patient rehabilitation program
2. Standard community-based physiotherapy

## Intervention Type

Other

## Phase

Not Specified

## Primary outcome(s)

1. Physical function, measured by the Bath ankylosing spondylitis functional index (BASFI)
2. Pain, stiffness, fatigue and disease activity: Bath ankylosing spondylitis disease activity index (BASDAI)

## Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Self-efficacy: the Arthritis Self-Efficacy Scale (ASES)
2. General health: the Short Form-36 and the BAS Patient Global Score (BAS-G)
3. Joint mobility: BAS Metrology Index (BASMI)
4. Biological signs of inflammation: erythrocyte sedimentation rate and C-reactive protein

5. Activity and participation: the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM)
6. Sleep quality: the Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index
7. Fatigue: BASDAI, SF-36 (vitality scale) and the Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory
8. Use of medications and health care resources

**Completion date**

31/12/2008

## Eligibility

**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Aged between 18 and 65 years
2. AS according to the New York classification criteria
3. Ability to communicate in Norwegian

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Healthy volunteers allowed**

No

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 years

**Sex**

All

**Total final enrolment**

95

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Coronary heart disease
2. Surgery or rehabilitation last six months
3. Cognitive impairment or mental disease
4. Pregnancy
5. Change in medication last month
6. BASDAI score <40 mm

**Date of first enrolment**

01/01/2006

**Date of final enrolment**

31/12/2008

## Locations

**Countries of recruitment**

Norway

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**National Resource Center for Rehabilitation in Rheumatology**  
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## Sponsor information

**Organisation**  
The Norwegian Government (Helse Øst)

**ROR**  
<https://ror.org/02qx2s478>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**  
Government

**Funder Name**  
Norwegian government - Helse Øst (Health East)

## 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?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	01/03/2013	03/05/2019	Yes	No