

Items to include when reporting a randomized trial in a journal or conference abstract

Item	Description	Reported on Page Number/Line Number	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	Identification of the study as randomized		
Authors *	Contact details for the corresponding author		
Trial design	Description of the trial design (e.g. parallel, cluster, non-inferiority)		
Methods			
Participants	Eligibility criteria for participants and the settings where the data were collected		
Interventions	Interventions intended for each group		
Objective	Specific objective or hypothesis		
Outcome	Clearly defined primary outcome for this report		
Randomization	How participants were allocated to interventions		
Blinding (masking)	Whether or not participants, care givers, and those assessing the outcomes were blinded to group assignment		
Results			
Numbers randomized	Number of participants randomized to each group		
Recruitment	Trial status		
Numbers analysed	Number of participants analysed in each group		
Outcome	For the primary outcome, a result for each group and the estimated effect size and its precision		
Harms	Important adverse events or side effects		
Conclusions	General interpretation of the results		
Trial registration	Registration number and name of trial register		
Funding	Source of funding		

* *this item is specific to conference abstracts*

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