# A blended eHealth intervention for insomnia following acquired brain injury

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**Ethical review** Positive opinion **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type -

**Study type** Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON20225

**Source** 

NTR

#### **Health condition**

insomnia, sleep disorder, acquired brain injury, TBI, stroke, CBT-I, eHealth

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Heliomare R&D

VU University Amsterdam

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Heliomare Research and Development

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

1. Insomnia Severity (ISI and sleep diary)

#### **Secondary outcome**

- 1. Sleep quality (Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index)
- 2. Sleep related behaviors (SRBQ)
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- 3. Dysfunctional belief and attitudes about sleep (DBAS)
- 4. Fatigue (Dutch Multifactor Fatigue Scale)
- 5. Emotional well-being (HADS)
- 6. Subjective cognitive functioning(CFQ)
- 7. Participation (USER-Participation)

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Online versions of cognitive behavioural therapy for insomnia in the general population have been developed to reach a larger group of patients with insomnia and to create easier access to treatment. Recent reviews show that internet delivered CBT is effective in improving sleep in adults with insomnia in the general population (Seyffert et al., 2016; Zachariae, Lyby, Ritterband & O'Toole, 2016). Since cognitive behavioural therapy is also effective for sleep disorders after acquired brain injury, eHealth seems to be a suitable intervention for this group as well (Nguyen et al., 2017; Theadom et al, 2017). The main objective of this study is to evaluate the efficacy of an eHealth cognitive behavioural intervention to treat insomnia in people with acquired brain injury.

#### **Study objective**

The main objective of this study is to evaluate the efficacy of the blended eHealth cognitive behavioural intervention as an additional treatment to treat insomnia (e-CBT-I) in people with acquired brain injury.

The main research questions are:

- 1. Will the e-CBT-I result in a significant reduction of insomnia in people with acquired brain injury compared to a control group with treatment as usual, not specifically aimed at insomnia?
- 2. Does the treatment group improve more on subjective cognitive functioning, emotional well-being and participation than the control group?

Firstly, we expect to confirm that e-CBT-I is effective in the treatment of insomnia after brain injury. Secondly, we expect that treatment will improve subjective cognitive functioning, emotional well-being and (social) participation.

#### Study design

pre-measure (week 0), post-measures (week 7), 6-week follow-up (week 13)

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#### Intervention

The eHealth CBT treatment for insomnia after acquired brain injury is based on well-established CBT for insomnia in the general population and includes educational, behavioural and cognitive techniques. These techniques include sleep hygiene education, stimulus control, sleep restriction, cognitive restructuring, activation, relaxation, fatigue- and stress management. The eHealth CBT treatment for insomnia has been adjusted to ABI in content and way of displaying information.

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## **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

- 1. Acquired Brain Injury diagnosis (Traumatic Brain Injury, Stroke)
- 2. Insomnia according to DSM-5 criteria
- 3. Insomnia Severity Index > 10
- 4. 18 years or older
- 5. Comprehension of Dutch language
- 6. Cognitive capable of using the internet
- 7. Regular internet access
- 8. Referred to an outpatient centre

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Untreated sleep-apnea
- 2. Current treatment or expected treatment during the study with main focus on fatigue or sleep
- 3. Alcohol abuse or drugs abuse
- 4. Major untreated or unstable medical or psychiatric comorbid condition (eg, epilepsy, psychosis)
- 5. Unstable medication regiments or medication known to produce insomnia.

# Study design

### **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

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Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 01-10-2017

Enrollment: 76

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 12-03-2018

Application type: First submission

# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

ID: 46579

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL6895 NTR-old NTR7082

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# **Study results**

#### **Summary results**

N/A