# 'Relieved Working' study: intervention to decrease occupational quartz exposure at construction worksites

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type -

**Study type** Interventional

# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON26894

**Source** 

Nationaal Trial Register

**Brief title** 

Relieved Working

**Health condition** 

occupational quartz exposure

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research TNO

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: ZON-MW, The Netherlands Organization for

Health Research and Development

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

Personal respirable dust and quartz exposure

#### **Secondary outcome**

Behavioural outcomes:

- beliefs
- skills
- intention
- risk perception

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Occupational quartz exposure continues to be an important hazard in the construction industry. Until now, evidence-based interventions aimed at reducing quartz exposure are scarce. The aim of this study was to systematically develop an intervention and to describe the study to evaluate its effectiveness.

The intervention was developed according to the principles of the Intervention Mapping protocol, meaning that evidence from the literature was combined with information collected from stakeholders (e.g., construction workers, managers and researchers). The intervention aimed to integrate technical, behavioral and organizational factors. The intervention consists of two plenary meetings for all employers within the company and individual visits at construction worksites including specific intervention materials. Additionally, a demonstration session about control measures is organized for all managers. The effectiveness of the intervention will be evaluated in a cluster randomized controlled trial among eight construction companies, with measurements at baseline and follow-up. Outcome measures are personal respirable dust and quartz exposure by means of exposure assessment and behavioural and organizational determinants which will be assessed by means of questionnaires. Additionally, a process evaluation will shed light on whether, how and why the intervention (does not) work(s).

#### Study objective

Our hypothesis is that after the intervention the exposure assessment and behavioral factors (e.g. knowledge, skills and social influence) in the intervention group will be significantly higher than the outcomes of those in the control group at follow-up

#### Study design

Baseline

Follow-up (1 year)

#### Intervention

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# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

- 1. Construction workers
- 2. Availability: available for the study for the following 12 months
- 3. Permission: signed an informed consent
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4. No co-intervention of other long term health programs

## **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Medical contraindication for participation
- 2. Not sufficiently capable of using the Dutch language

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-01-2012

Enrollment: 120

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Not applicable

Application type: Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

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

No registrations found.

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

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL4372 NTR-old NTR4586

Other :

# **Study results**

### **Summary results**

Quartz and Respirable Dust in the Dutch Construction Industry: A Baseline Exposure Assessment as Part of a Multidimensional Intervention Approach. van Deurssen E, Pronk A, Spaan S, Goede H, Tielemans E, Heederik D, Meijster T. Ann Occup Hyg. 2014 Apr 10. [Epub ahead of print]