

# Power Move: a randomized controlled pilot study on a computerized motor intervention program to improve motor function in very preterm children at 5 years of age

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Other condition
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON50580

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Power Move

### Condition

- Other condition

### Synonym

Motor problems

### Health condition

ontwikkelingsstoornissen

## Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Academisch Medisch Centrum

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## Intervention

**Keyword:** e-health, intervention, motor function, very preterm

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Total score on the MABC-II-NL.

### Secondary outcome

Secondary study parameters include visual-motor performance, attentional functioning, school performance, and behavior of the child.

Visual-motor performance

- Balance board for balance skills
- Caterpillar Tracing task
- Beery Visual-Motor Integration test for visual-motor integration skills

Attentional functioning

- Stop signal task for inhibitory control, processing speed and variability in speed
- Nutley visual working memory task for visual working memory

School performance

- Dutch Pupil Monitoring system scores

Behavior questionnaires parents

- Child Behavior Checklist (CBCL)
- Behavior Rating Inventory of Executive Function - preschool
- Early Language Scales

Behavior questionnaires teachers

- Teacher Report Form (TRF)

## Study description

### Background summary

At early school age, motor problems occur frequently in children born very preterm. Existing effective interventions, such as physical therapy, yield short term benefits only and require parents and child to visit health care institutions. Home-based, child-friendly computer training to remediate motor problems in this population may be more easily accessible and longer lasting, however, its efficacy is unknown.

### Study objective

To investigate whether a computerized, motor intervention program, titled \*Timocco\* yields significant and clinically reliable improvements in motor function in very preterm children at five years corrected age (CA).

### Study design

Randomized waitlist-controlled intervention study.

### Intervention

Timocco® home-based computerized motor training program ([www.Timocco.com](http://www.Timocco.com)).

## Study burden and risks

Children whose parents provided informed consent will be assessed three times: at FU (visit outpatient clinic for follow-up assessment at five years CA), at home before start of the first training session and at T1 (within one week after the last training session). Both assessments include administration of tests motor function, visual-motor function, attentional functioning, and behavior. For the latter, parents and teachers will be asked to complete a questionnaire. The Timocco home-based motor training program will entail a 12 week period with three training sessions ( $\pm 30$  minutes each) per week. During a session, children have to move a colourful gaming ball in order to successfully accomplish game levels of various attractive games that are displayed on a computer screen. The study examines an intervention that we hope yields positive effects for children and parents. There is no risk related to participation and all study and Timocco related activities are non-invasive. The risk of participation is negligible.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Children (2-11 years)

### Inclusion criteria

Intervention and waitlist group: a standard score of  $<8$  ( $<-1.0$  SD) on the total scale or one of the subscales of the M-ABC-II-NL

Reference group 1 (children born premature without motor problems): children  $<32$ wk and/or  $<1500$  grams, at 5 years CA with a standard score  $\geq 8$  on all the scales of the Movement Assessment Battery for Children-II-NL (MABC-II-NL)

Reference group 2 (children born at term): children born at term ( $>37$ wk) and with a birth weight of  $>2500$  grams at the age of 5

### Exclusion criteria

- severe vision problems
- diagnosis cerebral palsy, GMFCS II or higher
- IQ-score  $<70$

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Parallel
Allocation:	Randomized controlled trial
Masking:	Open (masking not used)
Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Treatment

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated):	22-02-2017
Enrollment:	232
Type:	Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	23-12-2016
Application type:	First submission
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Approved WMO	
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Application type:	Amendment
Review commission:	METC Amsterdam UMC

## 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

CCMO

Other

### ID

NL58428.018.16

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