# The efficacy and cost-effectiveness of confrontational counselling for smoking cessation in smokers with previously undiagnosed COPD: a randomised controlled trial.

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Ethische beoordeling	Positief advies
Status	Werving gestopt
Type aandoening	-
Onderzoekstype	Interventie onderzoek

### Samenvatting

#### ID

NL-OMON23106

Bron NTR

Verkorte titel COSMO

#### **Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie**

#### Uitkomstmaten

#### Primaire uitkomstmaten

The primary outcome of this study is biochemically validated prolonged abstinence from smoking during a period of 12 months. A smoker is defined as prolonged abstinent if he/she is a non-smoker (no cigarette smoked during the preceding seven days), at the end of the intervention (day 50), and at the follow-up-visits after 6 months (day 197) and 12 months (day 380. Non-smoking is verified by urine cotinine. Participants with a cotinine-value of >

50ng/mL are regarded as smokers as well as participants who are lost to follow-up.

# **Toelichting onderzoek**

#### Achtergrond van het onderzoek

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a disease state characterized by airflow limitation that is not fully reversible. Although COPD is a major cause of chronic morbidity and mortality worldwide, the true burden of the disease is not usually recognised until it is clinically apparent and moderately advanced. Smoking is the most important risk factor for the development and progression of COPD. Smoking cessation is the single most effective and cost-effective - intervention to reduce the risk of developing COPD and affecting the outcome in patients at all stages of the disease. Usual care for smoking cessation in the Netherlands involves the use of a protocol for low intensity health education and promotion (the so-called "Minimal Intervention Strategy" for the general practitioner and his/her assistant, H-MIS). Although the H-MIS is an effective aid in helping smokers to guit (8%) prolonged abstinence after 12 months compared to 3% in the control group), there is much room for improvement. Smokers with respiratory complaints are more motivated to stop smoking when they know that they are at risk of developing a chronic lung disease such as COPD. Smokers usually minimize their own perceived risk of developing a smoking-related disease, or deny or avoid information about the dangers of smoking in order to reduce cognitive dissonance. We therefore expect that confronting smokers with an objectively (by spirometry) identified negative consequence of smoking (COPD) will positively affect the outcome of their guit attempt. The primary aim of this randomized trial is to analyse the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of confrontational counselling for smoking cessation delivered by specialised pulmonary nurses for smokers with previously undiagnosed mild to moderate COPD with regard to prolonged abstinence from smoking during a period of 12 months. Furthermore, we want to analyse the effect of smoking cessation on lung function, perceived specific health-related complaints, guality of life and mental health. We have therefore conducted a randomized controlled trial is comparing (1) confrontational counselling delivered by a pulmonary nurse and pharmacotherapy, (2) health education and promotion delivered by a pulmonary nurse and pharmacotherapy and (3) "care as usual" delivered by the general practitioner. Early detection of smokers with mild to moderate COPD is achieved by means of a telephone interview in combination with spirometry.

#### Doel van het onderzoek

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#### **Onderzoeksproduct en/of interventie**

Intervention groups:

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Confrontational counselling delivered by a pulmonary nurse and pharmacotherapy; 2.
Health education and promotion delivered by a pulmonary nurse and pharmacotherapy; or
"Care as usual" delivered by the general practitioner.

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### **Deelname eisen**

#### Belangrijkste voorwaarden om deel te mogen nemen (Inclusiecriteria)

- 1. Age between 35 through 70 years;
- 2. Smoker with a smoking history of > 10 pack years of cigarettes;
- 3. Motivated to stop smoking;
- 4. One or more of the following symptoms are present: cough, progressive persistent shortness of breath (worse during exercise or respiratory infections) or sputum production;
- 5. Bronchus obstruction detected by spirometry: FEV1/FVC-ratio < 70% and

postbronchodilatory FEV1 > 50% predicted (= mild or moderate COPD / GOLD I or II);

6. Competent enough in speaking the Dutch language.

### Belangrijkste redenen om niet deel te kunnen nemen (Exclusiecriteria)

1. Known by the general practitioner or in the second-line medical care with the diagnosis asthma or COPD (c.q. chronic bronchitis, lung emphysema);

2. Spirometry performed during the preceding 12 months;

3. FEV1 < 50% predicted (= severe or very severe COPD / GOLD III or IV);

4. Contraindications for the intake of the medication such as an acute myocardial infarction and hypersensitiveness for nortriptyline;

5. Current use of antidepressants;

6. Quit smoking attempt(s) using nortriptyline or bupropion during the preceding 6 months;

7. Co-morbidity: hypersensitiveness towards nortriptyline, tuberculosis, porfyrine,

epilepsy,Parkinson disease, glaucoma, bronchial carcinoma or any other live threatening disease.

# Onderzoeksopzet

### Opzet

Туре:	Interventie onderzoek
Onderzoeksmodel:	Parallel
Blindering:	Open / niet geblindeerd
Controle:	Geneesmiddel

### Deelname

Nederland		
Status:	Werving gestopt	
(Verwachte) startdatum:	01-02-2004	
Aantal proefpersonen:	350	
Туре:	Werkelijke startdatum	

# **Ethische beoordeling**

Positief advies Datum: Soort:

20-05-2005 Eerste indiening

# Registraties

#### **Opgevolgd door onderstaande (mogelijk meer actuele) registratie**

Geen registraties gevonden.

### Andere (mogelijk minder actuele) registraties in dit register

Geen registraties gevonden.

#### In overige registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL571
NTR-old	NTR627
Ander register	: N/A
ISRCTN	ISRCTN64481813

### Resultaten

# Samenvatting resultaten

N/A