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Name: **CONSORT: CONSolidated Standards of Reporting Trials**

Extensions:

- CONSORT Plus
- Reporting of cluster randomized trials
- Reporting of herbal interventions RCTs
- Reporting of RCTs of Non-Pharmacologic Treatment (NPT) Interventions
- Reporting noninferiority and equivalence RCTs
- Reporting randomised trials in journal and conference abstracts
- STRICTA: STandards for Reporting Interventions in Clinical Trials of Acupuncture

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Purpose:	To improve the quality of reporting of RCTs.
Focus:	Report of primary research.
Governance:	Three individuals comprise the CONSORT Group Executive. <i>No further information published.</i>
Finance:	Mostly in-kind contributions of experts around the world. Sources of funding for specific meetings, etc, from National Library of Medicine (USA) and National Co-ordinating Centre for Research Methodology (UK).
Methods:	In 1993, 30 experts met in Ottawa (Canada) and nominated items to be included in the checklist for which there was evidence that inadequate report of the information could lead to biased estimates of the benefits of the intervention under investigation. One outcome of the meeting was the Standardized Reporting of Trials (SORT) statement. Concurrently, and independently, another group of experts, the Asilomar Working Group on Recommendations for Reporting of Clinical Trials in the Biomedical Literature, convened in Asilomar, California (USA), were working on a similar mandate. This group also published a proposal which included a checklist of recommended items. In 1996, representatives from both groups met in Chicago (USA) to merge the best of the SORT and Asilomar proposals into a single, coherent evidence-based recommendation.
Updates:	Periodically, but no stated frequency
Maintenance:	The CONSORT group continues to survey the literature to find relevant articles that address issues to enhance the quality of reporting of RCTs; invites authors of such articles to notify the CONSORT coordinator about them. <i>No further information published.</i>
Feedback?	Yes
Feedback use:	To update statement.
Evaluation?	No
Evaluation:	The developers acknowledge that the CONSORT statement will need periodic re-evaluation until there is direct evidence of the importance of each item on the checklist and flow diagram. <i>No further information published.</i>
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