

# cost-effectiveness of obstructive Sleep apnea Therapy (REST study): Comparison of MRA therapy versus CPAP therapy in moderate OSAS

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<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruitment stopped
<b>Health condition type</b>	Upper respiratory tract disorders (excl infections)
<b>Study type</b>	Interventional

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON41520

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

REST study

### Condition

- Upper respiratory tract disorders (excl infections)

### Synonym

OSAS, Sleep apnea syndrome

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** SomnoMed Goedegebuure,VitalAire

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Cost Effectiveness, Obstructive Sleep Apnea Syndrome, Treatment Outcome

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Incremental cost-effectiveness ratio (ICER) in terms of AHI reduction measured during polysomnography and quality adjusted life years (QALYs).

### Secondary outcome

Polysomnographic outcomes: total sleep time, sleep efficiency, minimal oxyhemoglobin saturation, arousals, sleep stages; anthropometrical outcomes: BMI, waist and neck circumference, fat-free mass and fat percentage; objective and subjective side effects; neurobehavioral outcomes (by questionnaires): EDS, quality of life, anxiety and depression, activities of daily living, compliance, satisfaction; cardiovascular risk: smoking status, ambulant blood pressure measurements, blood samples, urine sample, accumulation of advanced glycation endproducts (AGEs) in skin tissue.

## Study description

### Background summary

Obstructive sleep apnea syndrome (OSAS) is an underdiagnosed, undertreated and highly prevalent disease (4% of middle-aged men and 2% of women). It is characterized by repetitive upper airway collapse during sleep, disruptive snoring and excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS). OSAS is defined by a combination of these symptoms and laboratory findings. Laboratory findings should demonstrate an apnea-hypopnea index (AHI) of five or more. As obesity is the most important risk factor for OSAS and the number of people with obesity is increasing, the prevalence as well as the incidence of OSAS will almost

certainly increase even further, as is clear already in the USA. Moreover, OSAS is an important risk factor for sick leave, work disability, cardiovascular co-morbidities, and becoming involved in traffic accidents. Appropriate treatment will subsequently reduce these symptoms and co-morbidities. Given the large impact on patients in terms of health and society in terms of costs, cost-effective treatment is necessary.

According to the CBO guideline \*Diagnostics and treatment of the obstructive sleep apnea syndrome in adults\*, in moderate OSAS both MRA and CPAP can be considered as primary interventions as both are proven to be effective in reducing the AHI. Although MRA is generally considered less effective than CPAP, it was shown that MRA is not inferior to CPAP regarding AHI in non-severe OSAS and that many patients report greater satisfaction with MRA.

Cost-effectiveness of CPAP and MRA is only documented on EDS in the USA and Canada. Therefore, proper cost-effectiveness analysis with AHI as primary outcome in this specific OSAS group in the Netherlands is still needed.

## **Study objective**

To compare the cost-effectiveness and effectiveness of MRA therapy versus CPAP therapy in patients with moderate OSAS.

## **Study design**

In a randomized parallel controlled study patients will be randomly assigned to either MRA therapy or CPAP therapy. Group A receives MRA. Group B receives CPAP. Both treatment periods last for 12 months. The total duration of the study is 12 months. Measurements will be done at baseline, after 3, 6 and 12 months.

## **Intervention**

Patients in group A are treated with a bibloc MRA (SomnoDent). It positions the patient's mandible in a forward and downward position thereby \*stretching\* the upper airway. The mandible will be set at 70% of the patient's maximum advancement and will be adjusted to the convenience of the patient. Titration will be continued until symptoms abate or until further advancement causes discomfort.

Patients in group B are treated with CPAP therapy. The proper CPAP-pressure is set for each patient separately. Patients are fitted with a comfortable CPAP mask before titration of the CPAP-pressure. For CPAP-titration, patients are instructed to adopt their own typical sleeping habits.

## **Study burden and risks**

The burden for the patient will be the time investment (visits to outpatient

center, filling in diary and questionnaires), and undergoing medical examinations (primary and secondary outcomes).

During the initial period of use of MRA patients commonly report discomfort of the teeth and jaws, gum irritation, excessive salivation or a dry mouth. Mild pain of the masticatory muscles and temporomandibular joint often occur. In many cases the adverse effects are transient and disappear with continued use. One of the main problems encountered in patients using CPAP is pressure-related discomfort or intolerance. Patients complain about nocturnal awakenings, claustrophobia, mouth and mask leak and nasal problems, such as dryness, congestion, rhinorrhea and sneezing.

Benefits of the treatments could be a reduction in AHI, reduction of EDS, improvement in quality of life, and on the long term reduction in cardiovascular risk.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

1. Individuals with moderate (AHI 15-30) OSAS, measured during polysomnography
2. Aged >18 years

## Exclusion criteria

Medical and psychological criteria:

1. Patients previously treated for OSAS (CPAP, MRA);
  2. Morphologic abnormalities of the upper airway (e.g., a compromised nasal passage, enlarged tonsils or adenoids, or upper airway soft-tissue or craniofacial abnormality);
  3. Reported or documented unstable endocrine dysfunction (hypothyroidism, acromegaly, or pituitary adenoma);
  4. Reported or documented severe cardiovascular- or pulmonary co-morbidity
    - coronary disease, heart failure, severe cardiac arrhythmias
    - CVA within 6 months prior to randomisation
    - daytime respiratory insufficiency
    - severe Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (GOLD 3 or 4; FEV1/FVC<70% and FEV1 <50%);
    - other diseases that may impact the evaluation of the results of the study according to the investigator's judgement
  5. Reported or documented psychological condition precluding informed consent (e.g., mental retardation, depression or schizophrenia);
- Dental exclusion criteria:
1. Extensive periodontal disease or tooth decay;
  2. Active temporomandibular joint disease (including severe bruxism);
  3. Restrictions in mouth opening (<25mm) or advancement of the mandible <5mm);
  4. Partial or complete edentulism (less than eight teeth in upper or lower jaw).

## 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): 03-05-2012  
Enrollment: 86  
Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)  
Registration: Yes - CE intended use

## Ethics review

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Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)  
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## 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

ClinicalTrials.gov  
CCMO

### ID

NCT01588275  
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## Study results

Date completed:	31-12-2017
Actual enrolment:	86