

Nutrition - NORWAY

Competent authority

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Additional Information

No local CA

Trial Authorisation / Registration / Notification

Regulatory and ethics bodies involved in approval process

Regional Ethics Committee

CA - Registration requirements for clinical trials

Not applicable

CA - Submission required to

National CA
Institutional CA
International CA
International CA involved in some cases

Submission Format

Standard application form available

Yes

Standard application form

Regional Committees for Medical and Health Research Ethics

Language of Submission

Language(s) of application

Norwegian
English

	<p>Preferred language of application</p> <p>–</p> <p>English accepted</p> <p>–</p> <p>Documents mandatory to be in official national language</p> <p>–</p> <p>Documents mandatory to be in local language of study site</p> <p>–</p> <p>Documents mandatory to be in language of the study participant</p> <p>–</p>
Timelines Authorisation	<p>Additional Information</p> <p>Time in days from submission to positive approval (maximum): 60 days</p>
Ethics committee	
Contact Details	<p>Contact Name 1</p> <p>Regional Committees for Medical and Health Research Ethics REK/ REC</p> <p>Contact Name 2</p> <p>4 Regional REC according to geographical region:</p> <p>Contact Name 3</p> <p>(1) REC South East; (2) REC West; (3) REC Central; (4) REC North;</p> <p>Country</p> <p>Norway (NO)</p> <p>E-Mail</p> <p>post@helseforskning.etikkom.no</p> <p>Web address</p> <p>https://helseforskning.etikkom.no/</p> <p>Additional Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REC South East: Vestfold, Buskerud, Telemark, Aust-Agder, Vest-Agder, Akershus, Østfold, Hedmark, Oppland and Oslo • REC West: Rogaland, Hordaland and Sogn og Fjordane • REC Central: Møre og Romsdal, Sør-Trøndelag and Nord-Trøndelag • REC North: Nordland, Troms and Finnmark <p>ad Email (post@helseforskning.etikkom.no): the name of the respective REC (South East, West, Central, North) should be included in the subject field</p> <p>The secretariats of the individual RECs can also be contacted directly by telephone, email or via their office addresses, provided on the REK website in section Committees and Meetings.</p>
Ethical Review – General	<p>Submission for Ethical review mandatory for</p> <p>Other</p> <p>Submission of study mandatory</p> <p>Yes</p>

Submission of study mandatory - Additional information

Examples of activities that require approval from REC:

- Experimental treatments for which the primary purpose is other than the provision of health care to an individual patient.
- Student assignments to fulfil scientific requirements and with the purpose of acquiring new knowledge about health and diseases.
- Use and disclosure of identifiable personal information from one or several (connected) central health registers.
- Use of information from central health registers connected to information from other registers.
- Use of traceable human biological material.
- Use of traceable personal information and evaluations of health conditions.

Submission to CA and EC to be performed in the following order

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National declaration on Ethical requirements exists

Yes

National declaration

https://helseforskning.etikkom.no/ikbViewer/page/forside?_ikbLanguageCode=us

Single-Centre Studies -
Ethical Review

Ethical approval (favourable opinion) to be obtained from

Regional Ethics Committee

Multi-Centre Studies -
Ethical Review

Ethical approval (favourable opinion) required from

Regional EC (authorised to issue a single opinion)
Single Opinion

Submission of
Application

Entitled to study submission

Principal Investigator

Prerequisites for submission / approval

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Submission Format

Standard application form available

Yes

Standard application form

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Language(s) of application

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Preferred language of application

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English accepted

For attachments (other than information material for study participants): any Scandinavian language also accepted

Documents mandatory to be in local language of study site

Basic application form
Information material, Documents and Forms intended for study participants and patient information

Documents mandatory to be in language of study participant

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Time in days from submission to positive approval (maximum): 60 days

Study specific Requirements

Sponsor

Sponsorship mandatory

Yes

Co-sponsorship allowed

Yes

Contracts with external sponsor

Yes

Investigator

Entitled to be principal investigator

Not specified

Entitled to be principal investigator for trials with patients

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Entitled to be principal investigator for trials with healthy participants

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Entitled to be principal investigator for trials with vulnerable population

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Study Participants - Informed Consent (IC)

Standard IC form (ICF) available

Yes

Standard IC form (ICF)

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Accepted format of Informed Consent (IC) form

Written consent

Consent by proxy

Consent by proxy in children and vulnerable population

Accepted format of IC form for studies including patients

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Accepted format of IC form for studies including healthy participants

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Accepted format of IC form for studies including vulnerable population

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Study Participants - Vulnerable Population

Considered as vulnerable population

Children

Elderly

Pregnant women (Pregnancy)

Lactating women

Unconscious Persons

Incapacitated adults

People with psychiatric disorder

People with dementia

Prisoners

	<p>Regulations concerning the inclusion or exclusion available</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Applicable ethical regulations</p> <p>National International EU directive (2001/20/EC)</p>
Study Participants - Compensation & Reimbursement	<p>Reimbursement for study participants</p> <p>Are not reimbursed</p> <p>Compensation is limited to/provided for</p> <p>Expenses arising from study participation (e.g. Travel)</p>
Funding	<p>Trials generally financially supported by industry</p> <p>No</p> <p>Name of public company/institution supporting financially</p> <p>Ministry of Health and Care Services. The Regional Liaison Committees between the Regional Health Authority and the University.</p> <p>Name of private company/institution supporting financially</p> <p>Cancer Society. Patient organizations.</p> <p>Name of industry company/institution supporting financially</p> <p>Medicines Industry</p> <p>Funding is an issue during the approval process</p> <p>Yes</p>
Study Participants - Recruitment & Trial Outcome	<p>Regulations on recruitment process exist</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Mandatory to inform participant of clinical trial outcome</p> <p>No</p>
Insurance	<p>Liability insurance or alternative arrangements for damages mandatory for</p> <p>—</p> <p>Name and contact insurance companies insuring clinical research</p> <p>PDF "Biotekforum" (PDF only in Norwegian)</p> <p>Insurance fee in € value indicated as</p> <p>—</p> <p>Insurance fee in € value indicated as</p> <p>—</p>
Quality Assurance/ Quality Control (QA/QC)	<p>Regularly performed methods</p> <p>Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Case Report Form (CRF)</p> <p>Standards concerning quality assurance and quality control exist</p> <p>No</p> <p>Regularly performed audits</p> <p>—</p>

Archiving & Data Management

Study documents must be kept at least (in years)

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Legal framework for data management exists

Yes

National legislation

General Information:
Applicable Legislation &
Conventions

Applied regulatory conventions

Declaration of Helsinki
Other ethical principles for medical research (other than Declaration of Helsinki)
ICH-GCP Guidelines
Other guidelines for good clinical practice (other than ICH-GCP)
National regulatory requirements
Regional regulatory requirements

Applicable national laws

Hospital Act
Data protection Act
Genetical engineering act
Medical device act
Drug act

National regulations for volunteers exist for

Nutrition intervention in healthy people
Pharmaceuticals/drug trials
Invasive procedures
Catheters
Isotopes
Tissue samples
Projects involving volunteers have to be reviewed by Regional Ethics Committee

Official website providing relevant national legislation

REK website in section Acts of Legislation

Additional Information

Lovdata Foundation: Norwegian regulations are publicly available in the legal information system run by the Ministry of Justice and the Faculty of Law in Oslo.
English translation of the Norwegian legislation can be found in the Law Library of the University of Oslo.

Nutrition

Nutrition considered as drug

Depends on dose
If a study is considered a drug trial, all the regulations that concern Medicinal Products for Human Use will apply.

Data Protection

Specific Requirements

Yes

Legal framework (on safeguarding the collection, handling, recording, keeping and/or processing of any clinical trial related data and patient files)

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Invasive Catheters

Invasive catheters permitted

Yes

Definition

Observational Study

Definition in national law

In observational studies, the investigators observe the subjects and measure variables of interest without assigning treatments to the subjects