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Table 1 administrative and open science table

section/topic	Items
Administrative information	
Title	Bracing after Ankle Fracture (BAF): a randomised multicenter non-inferiority trial comparing ankle stirrups to walkers on pain, function and social interaction for adults after ankle fracture: Study protocol
Summary	Pragmatic randomised controlled singleblind multicenter non-inferiority trial
Protocol version	August 2025 version 1.1
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Roles	<p>JAI – Primary investigator and member of steering committee AHL – member steering committee CA - member steering committee PHG - member steering committee SLSM – Patient representative and member of steering committee MC – member advisory board AH – member advisory board BV – trial sponsor and member steering committee</p>
Trial sponsor	Bjarke Viberg, othopedic research unit, Odense and Svendborg University Hospital, Orthopedic Department. Email: Bjarke.Viberg@rsyd.dk
Founder	Independent research fund Denmark, Grant no. 10.46540/4308-00191B
Sponsor role	Oversees and ensure that the ethical and legal considerations and funding are in place before the trial are initiated and an even member of the steering committee.

Founders role	The trial is completed within the specified period august 2025 to September 2028. Otherwise founder will have no authority.
Composition, roles, and responsibilities of the steering committee	The steering committee (JAI, AHL, CA, PHVG, MSLS and BV) will be responsible for conducting, analysing, and reporting the trial. JAI will be the primary investigator (PI) and responsible for the day-to-day trial management. The steering committee consists of experts within their respective fields and they will be responsible for ensuring high quality and supporting the sponsor and PI.
Composition, roles, and responsibilities of the advisory board	The advisory board consists of two experts (MC and AH) on the conduct and reporting of randomised controlled trials and non-inferiority trials. They acts as advisors to the steering committee to ensure high quality methodological decision making.
Open science	
Trial registration	Clinicaltrials.gov
Statistical analysis plan	Will be uploaded to clinicaltrials.gov
Data sharing	Access to individual de-identified participant data and related study documents (e.g. protocol, Statistical Analysis Plan (SAP), will be provided upon request.
Conflicts of interest founders	The trial was designed independently of the founder and the founder will not have any authority over the trial.
Conflicts of interest authors	Authors have no conflicting interests and have all signed the ICJME declaration of authorship
Dessimation policy	Open-access publication and presentations