

# CONSORT-EHEALTH (V 1.6.1) - Submission/Publication Form

The CONSORT-EHEALTH checklist is intended for authors of randomized trials evaluating web-based and Internet-based applications/interventions, including mobile interventions, electronic games (incl multiplayer games), social media, certain telehealth applications, and other interactive and/or networked electronic applications. Some of the items (e.g. all subitems under item 5 - description of the intervention) may also be applicable for other study designs.

The goal of the CONSORT EHEALTH checklist and guideline is to be

- a) a guide for reporting for authors of RCTs,
- b) to form a basis for appraisal of an ehealth trial (in terms of validity)

CONSORT-EHEALTH items/subitems are MANDATORY reporting items for studies published in the Journal of Medical Internet Research and other journals / scientific societies endorsing the checklist.

Items numbered 1., 2., 3., 4a., 4b etc are original CONSORT or CONSORT-NPT (non-pharmacologic treatment) items.

Items with Roman numerals (i., ii, iii, iv etc.) are CONSORT-EHEALTH extensions/clarifications.

As the CONSORT-EHEALTH checklist is still considered in a formative stage, we would ask that you also RATE ON A SCALE OF 1-5 how important/useful you feel each item is FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CHECKLIST and reporting guideline (optional).

Mandatory reporting items are marked with a red \*.

In the textboxes, either copy & paste the relevant sections from your manuscript into this form - please include any quotes from your manuscript in QUOTATION MARKS, or answer directly by providing additional information not in the manuscript, or elaborating on why the item was not relevant for this study.

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**Title of your manuscript \***

Provide the (draft) title of your manuscript.

Patterns of Fitbit Use and Activity Levels Throughout a Physical Activity Intervention:  
Exploratory Analysis from a Randomized Controlled Trial

**Name of your App/Software/Intervention \***

If there is a short and a long/alternate name, write the short name first and add the long name in brackets.

Fitbit

**Evaluated Version (if any)**

e.g. "V1", "Release 2017-03-01", "Version 2.0.27913"

Your answer

## Language(s) \*

What language is the intervention/app in? If multiple languages are available, separate by comma (e.g. "English, French")

English

## URL of your Intervention Website or App \*

e.g. a direct link to the mobile app on app in appstore (itunes, Google Play), or URL of the website. If the intervention is a DVD or hardware, you can also link to an Amazon page.

<http://www.fitbit.com>

## URL of an image/screenshot (optional)

Your answer

## Accessibility \*

Can an enduser access the intervention presently?

- access is free and open
- access only for special usergroups, not open
- access is open to everyone, but requires payment/subscription/in-app purchases
- app/intervention no longer accessible
- Other:

## Primary Medical Indication/Disease/Condition \*

e.g. "Stress", "Diabetes", or define the target group in brackets after the condition, e.g. "Autism (Parents of children with)", "Alzheimers (Informal Caregivers of)"

breast cancer

## Primary Outcomes measured in trial \*

comma-separated list of primary outcomes reported in the trial

cognitive functioning

## Secondary/other outcomes

Are there any other outcomes the intervention is expected to affect?

Your answer

## Recommended "Dose" \*

What do the instructions for users say on how often the app should be used?

- Approximately Daily
- Approximately Weekly
- Approximately Monthly
- Approximately Yearly
- "as needed"
- Other:

## Approx. Percentage of Users (starters) still using the app as recommended after 3 months \*

- unknown / not evaluated
- 0-10%

- 11-20%
- 21-30%
- 31-40%
- 41-50%
- 51-60%
- 61-70%
- 71%-80%
- 81-90%
- 91-100%
- Other:

**Overall, was the app/intervention effective? \***

- yes: all primary outcomes were significantly better in intervention group vs control
- partly: SOME primary outcomes were significantly better in intervention group vs control
- no statistically significant difference between control and intervention
- potentially harmful: control was significantly better than intervention in one or more outcomes
- inconclusive: more research is needed
- Other:

**Article Preparation Status/Stage \***

At which stage in your article preparation are you currently (at the time you fill in this form)

- not submitted yet - in early draft status
- not submitted yet - in late draft status, just before submission

- submitted to a journal but not reviewed yet
- submitted to a journal and after receiving initial reviewer comments
- submitted to a journal and accepted, but not published yet
- published
- Other:

### Journal \*

If you already know where you will submit this paper (or if it is already submitted), please provide the journal name (if it is not JMIR, provide the journal name under "other")

- not submitted yet / unclear where I will submit this
- Journal of Medical Internet Research (JMIR)
- JMIR mHealth and UHealth
- JMIR Serious Games
- JMIR Mental Health
- JMIR Public Health
- JMIR Formative Research
- Other JMIR sister journal
- Other:

### Is this a full powered effectiveness trial or a pilot/feasibility trial? \*

- Pilot/feasibility
- Fully powered

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- no ms number (yet) / not (yet) submitted to / published in JMIR

Other: 8503

## TITLE AND ABSTRACT

### 1a) TITLE: Identification as a randomized trial in the title

#### 1a) Does your paper address CONSORT item 1a? \*

I.e does the title contain the phrase "Randomized Controlled Trial"? (if not, explain the reason under "other")

yes

Other:

#### 1a-i) Identify the mode of delivery in the title

Identify the mode of delivery. Preferably use "web-based" and/or "mobile" and/or "electronic game" in the title. Avoid ambiguous terms like "online", "virtual", "interactive". Use "Internet-based" only if Intervention includes non-web-based Internet components (e.g. email), use "computer-based" or "electronic" only if offline products are used. Use "virtual" only in the context of "virtual reality" (3-D worlds). Use "online" only in the context of "online support groups". Complement or substitute product names with broader terms for the class of products (such as "mobile" or "smart phone" instead of "iphone"), especially if the application runs on different platforms.

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#### Does your paper address subitem 1a-i? \*

Copy and paste relevant sections from manuscript title (include quotes in quotation marks "like this" to indicate direct quotes from your manuscript), or elaborate on this item by providing additional information not in the ms, or briefly explain why the item is not applicable/relevant for your study

"Fitbit"

## 1a-ii) Non-web-based components or important co-interventions in title

Mention non-web-based components or important co-interventions in title, if any (e.g., "with telephone support").

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### Does your paper address subitem 1a-ii?

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No - presenting secondary data of just the fitbit data

## 1a-iii) Primary condition or target group in the title

Mention primary condition or target group in the title, if any (e.g., "for children with Type I Diabetes")  
Example: A Web-based and Mobile Intervention with Telephone Support for Children with Type I Diabetes: Randomized Controlled Trial

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## 1b) ABSTRACT: Structured summary of trial design, methods, results, and conclusions

NPT extension: Description of experimental treatment, comparator, care providers, centers, and blinding status.



## 1b-i) Key features/functionality/components of the intervention and comparator in the METHODS section of the ABSTRACT

Mention key features/functionality/components of the intervention and comparator in the abstract. If possible, also mention theories and principles used for designing the site. Keep in mind the needs of systematic reviewers and indexers by including important synonyms. (Note: Only report in the abstract what the main paper is reporting. If this information is missing from the main body of text, consider adding it)

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### Does your paper address subitem 1b-i? \*

Copy and paste relevant sections from the manuscript abstract (include quotes in quotation marks "like this" to indicate direct quotes from your manuscript), or elaborate on this item by providing additional information not in the ms, or briefly explain why the item is not applicable/relevant for your study

"The Fitbit One was worn daily throughout the 12 week intervention"

## 1b-ii) Level of human involvement in the METHODS section of the ABSTRACT

Clarify the level of human involvement in the abstract, e.g., use phrases like "fully automated" vs. "therapist/nurse/care provider/physician-assisted" (mention number and expertise of providers involved, if any). (Note: Only report in the abstract what the main paper is reporting. If this information is missing from the main body of text, consider adding it)

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### 1b-iii) Open vs. closed, web-based (self-assessment) vs. face-to-face assessments in the METHODS section of the ABSTRACT

Mention how participants were recruited (online vs. offline), e.g., from an open access website or from a clinic or a closed online user group (closed usergroup trial), and clarify if this was a purely web-based trial, or there were face-to-face components (as part of the intervention or for assessment). Clearly say if outcomes were self-assessed through questionnaires (as common in web-based trials). Note: In traditional offline trials, an open trial (open-label trial) is a type of clinical trial in which both the researchers and participants know which treatment is being administered. To avoid confusion, use "blinded" or "unblinded" to indicated the level of blinding instead of "open", as "open" in web-based trials usually refers to "open access" (i.e. participants can self-enrol). (Note: Only report in the abstract what the main paper is reporting. If this information is missing from the main body of text, consider adding it)

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### 1b-iv) RESULTS section in abstract must contain use data

Report number of participants enrolled/assessed in each group, the use/uptake of the intervention (e.g., attrition/adherence metrics, use over time, number of logins etc.), in addition to primary/secondary outcomes. (Note: Only report in the abstract what the main paper is reporting. If this information is missing from the main body of text, consider adding it)

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## 1b-v) CONCLUSIONS/DISCUSSION in abstract for negative trials

Conclusions/Discussions in abstract for negative trials: Discuss the primary outcome - if the trial is negative (primary outcome not changed), and the intervention was not used, discuss whether negative results are attributable to lack of uptake and discuss reasons. (Note: Only report in the abstract what the main paper is reporting. If this information is missing from the main body of text, consider adding it)

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### Does your paper address subitem 1b-v?

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## INTRODUCTION

### 2a) In INTRODUCTION: Scientific background and explanation of rationale

#### 2a-i) Problem and the type of system/solution

Describe the problem and the type of system/solution that is object of the study: intended as stand-alone intervention vs. incorporated in broader health care program? Intended for a particular patient population? Goals of the intervention, e.g., being more cost-effective to other interventions, replace or complement other solutions? (Note: Details about the intervention are provided in "Methods" under 5)

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### Does your paper address subitem 2a-i? \*

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"Trackers have been incorporated into several interventions that have successfully increased physical activity. However, little is known about how individuals use

trackers in a physical activity intervention to support behavior change.”

## 2a-ii) Scientific background, rationale: What is known about the (type of) system

Scientific background, rationale: What is known about the (type of) system that is the object of the study (be sure to discuss the use of similar systems for other conditions/diagnoses, if appropriate), motivation for the study, i.e. what are the reasons for and what is the context for this specific study, from which stakeholder viewpoint is the study performed, potential impact of findings [2]. Briefly justify the choice of the comparator.

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### Does your paper address subitem 2a-ii? \*

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“Adherence to wearing a tracker may also be important for behavior change. A large body of literature suggests that strong adherence to self-monitoring of weight, diet, and physical activity is associated with greater weight loss and improved weight control. Similarly, a systematic review found that consistent use of a pedometer is associated with higher activity levels. Although some intervention studies report overall adherence or compliance to wearing a tracker (ie, proportion of total study days worn), few have assessed patterns of adherence to tracker use throughout a physical activity intervention.”

“There is also a lack of research examining how adherence to wearing a technology-based tracker relates to increasing physical activity”

## 2b) In INTRODUCTION: Specific objectives or hypotheses

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 2b? \*

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“The goal of the current analysis was to conduct an in-depth examination of data collected from the Fitbit tracker daily for 12 weeks among a sample of breast cancer survivors enrolled in a physical activity intervention, where 7 days of ActiGraph-measured physical activity was also collected at baseline and end of study. The primary aims of this analysis were as follows: (1) examine patterns of adherence to wearing the Fitbit, (2) test the association of adherence to wearing the Fitbit with changes in ActiGraph-measured MVPA, (3) examine patterns of Fitbit-measured MVPA, (4) examine frequency of self-reported checking of data on the tracker and on the mobile app or website, and (5) test the association between self-reported checking of data on the tracker and on the mobile app or website with changes in ActiGraph-measured MVPA. We hypothesized that higher adherence to wearing the Fitbit and greater checking of the data would be associated with greater increase in ActiGraph-measured MVPA.”

## METHODS

### 3a) Description of trial design (such as parallel, factorial) including allocation ratio

#### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 3a? \*

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“Participants in this secondary data analysis were enrolled in a randomized controlled trial of a 12-week physical activity intervention.” Participants were

randomized to the exercise arm or the control arm in a 1:1 ratio."

### 3b) Important changes to methods after trial commencement (such as eligibility criteria), with reasons

#### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 3b? \*

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Not applicable, there were no changes to the methods after trial commencement

### 3b-i) Bug fixes, Downtimes, Content Changes

Bug fixes, Downtimes, Content Changes: ehealth systems are often dynamic systems. A description of changes to methods therefore also includes important changes made on the intervention or comparator during the trial (e.g., major bug fixes or changes in the functionality or content) (5-iii) and other "unexpected events" that may have influenced study design such as staff changes, system failures/downtimes, etc. [2].

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#### Does your paper address subitem 3b-i?

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not applicable - used Fitbit.com

### 4a) Eligibility criteria for participants

#### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 4a? \*

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“Eligible participants were female breast cancer survivors, in the age range of 21 to 85 years, who were diagnosed less than 5 years before study enrollment, had completed chemotherapy or radiation treatment, were sedentary (defined as self-reporting less than 60 min of MVPA in 10 min bouts per week), and had access to the Internet and a Fitbit-compatible computer, tablet, or phone. Exclusion criteria included any medical condition that could make it potentially unsafe to be in an unsupervised physical activity intervention (determined by the Physical Activity Readiness Questionnaire), other primary or recurrent invasive cancer within the last 10 years, and unable to commit to a 12-week intervention.”

#### 4a-i) Computer / Internet literacy

Computer / Internet literacy is often an implicit “de facto” eligibility criterion - this should be explicitly clarified.

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#### Does your paper address subitem 4a-i?

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#### 4a-ii) Open vs. closed, web-based vs. face-to-face assessments:

Open vs. closed, web-based vs. face-to-face assessments: Mention how participants were recruited (online vs. offline), e.g., from an open access website or from a clinic, and clarify if this was a purely web-based trial, or there were face-to-face components (as part of the intervention or for assessment), i.e., to what degree got the study team to know the participant. In online-only trials, clarify if participants were quasi-anonymous and whether having multiple identities was possible or whether technical or logistical measures (e.g., cookies, email confirmation, phone calls) were used to detect/prevent these.

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### Does your paper address subitem 4a-ii? \*

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"A detailed description of the protocol was previously published [46]. Briefly, participants were predominantly recruited via cancer registry lists. "

### 4a-iii) Information giving during recruitment

Information given during recruitment. Specify how participants were briefed for recruitment and in the informed consent procedures (e.g., publish the informed consent documentation as appendix, see also item X26), as this information may have an effect on user self-selection, user expectation and may also bias results.

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### Does your paper address subitem 4a-iii?

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## 4b) Settings and locations where the data were collected

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"Interested and eligible women were scheduled for an in-person visit where

they were given an ActiGraph GT3X+ accelerometer to wear for 7 days and bring back to the randomization visit. At the randomization visit, participants in the exercise arm were given a Fitbit One as part of the intervention. Participants were instructed to use their Fitbit to self-monitor their physical activity. As the intervention focused on Fitbit's "Active Minutes," which consists of MVPA and did not focus on steps, participants were encouraged to wear the Fitbit when engaging in MVPA but were not instructed to wear it for a minimum amount of time each day. Participants were informed that their Interventionist would check their Fitbit data at least once a week and that they may be contacted by the interventionist if it seemed that they were struggling or having a great week. All participants received intervention phone calls around the 2-week and 6-week time points and automatic emails every 3 days throughout the 12-week intervention, which included reminders to sync and wear their Fitbit. One week before their final study visit, participants were mailed the ActiGraph GT3X+ and asked to wear it for 7 days, concurrently with the Fitbit, and to bring the ActiGraph to the in-person visit. At the final in-person visit, participants completed a questionnaire regarding their use of the Fitbit tracker and the Fitbit app and website."

#### 4b-i) Report if outcomes were (self-)assessed through online questionnaires

Clearly report if outcomes were (self-)assessed through online questionnaires (as common in web-based trials) or otherwise.

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"activity tracker, was used to examine patterns of physical activity throughout the 12-week intervention. Fitbit uses a proprietary

algorithm to classify each minute as being in sedentary, light, moderate, or vigorous activity and provides metabolic equivalent of tasks (METs) for each minute. Data were wirelessly uploaded to the user's fitbit.com account and then downloaded by the research team through a database called Fitabase (Small Steps Lab, San Diego, CA), which allows for collecting data at the minute level. Daily adherence to wearing the Fitbit tracker was defined as wearing the tracker for >10 hours in a day or logging at least some activity (>1 min MVPA). This definition for a valid Fitbit wear day was used because participants were not instructed to wear the Fitbit all day; rather they were instructed to use the Fitbit to track activity. Thus, wearing the tracker specifically to log MVPA was deemed to be valid wear based on these instructions. Fitbit wear time was determined by processing of minute level Fitbit data using the R function `accel.wear_time` within the "accelerometry" package [47]. Nonwear was classified using both steps and METs. Consistent with standard protocols for ActiGraph wear time [48], greater than 90 consecutive minutes of 0 steps or METs, with 2-min tolerance (ie, for 2 min with nonzero counts during nonwear intervals) was deemed nonwear.

The ActiGraph GT3X+, a well-validated research grade accelerometer [49], provided frequency, duration, and intensity of physical activity for 7 days at baseline (prerandomization) and at week 12. Using standard guidelines, sufficient ActiGraph wear time was classified as >10 hours of wear a day for at least 5 days or >50 hours across 4 days and screened for in the ActiLife software (ActiGraph, Pensacola, FL) using guidelines outlined by Choi et al [48]. All complete and valid data were processed in ActiLife software using the low frequency extension and aggregated to 60-second epochs so that published physical activity cut points could be applied [50]. MVPA was defined as 1952 or more counts per minute (3.00-7.00 METs). Self-report questionnaires at follow-up (12 weeks) were used to determine participants' frequency of looking at their activity data on the Fitbit tracker itself and (in a separate question) the Fitbit app or website. These questions used an 8-point Likert scale with the following response options: more than once per day, once per day, 4-6 times per week, 2-3 times per week, once per week, 2-3 times per month, once a month or less, and never."

## 4b-ii) Report how institutional affiliations are displayed

Report how institutional affiliations are displayed to potential participants [on ehealth media], as affiliations with prestigious hospitals or universities may affect volunteer rates, use, and reactions with regards to an intervention. (Not a required item – describe only if this may bias results)

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## Does your paper address subitem 4b-ii?

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Your answer

## 5) The interventions for each group with sufficient details to allow replication, including how and when they were actually administered

### 5-i) Mention names, credential, affiliations of the developers, sponsors, and owners

Mention names, credential, affiliations of the developers, sponsors, and owners [6] (if authors/evaluators are owners or developer of the software, this needs to be declared in a "Conflict of interest" section or mentioned elsewhere in the manuscript).

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## Does your paper address subitem 5-i?

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Your answer

## 5-ii) Describe the history/development process

Describe the history/development process of the application and previous formative evaluations (e.g., focus groups, usability testing), as these will have an impact on adoption/use rates and help with interpreting results.

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## 5-iii) Revisions and updating

Revisions and updating. Clearly mention the date and/or version number of the application/intervention (and comparator, if applicable) evaluated, or describe whether the intervention underwent major changes during the evaluation process, or whether the development and/or content was "frozen" during the trial. Describe dynamic components such as news feeds or changing content which may have an impact on the replicability of the intervention (for unexpected events see item 3b).

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-iii?

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Your answer

## 5-iv) Quality assurance methods

Provide information on quality assurance methods to ensure accuracy and quality of information provided [1], if applicable.

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-iv?

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Your answer

### 5-v) Ensure replicability by publishing the source code, and/or providing screenshots/screen-capture video, and/or providing flowcharts of the algorithms used

Ensure replicability by publishing the source code, and/or providing screenshots/screen-capture video, and/or providing flowcharts of the algorithms used. Replicability (i.e., other researchers should in principle be able to replicate the study) is a hallmark of scientific reporting.

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-v?

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Your answer

### 5-vi) Digital preservation

Digital preservation: Provide the URL of the application, but as the intervention is likely to change or disappear over the course of the years; also make sure the intervention is archived (Internet Archive, [webcitation.org](http://webcitation.org), and/or publishing the source code or screenshots/videos alongside the article). As pages behind login screens cannot be archived, consider creating demo pages which are accessible without login.

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-vi?

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### 5-vii) Access

Access: Describe how participants accessed the application, in what setting/context, if they had to pay (or were paid) or not, whether they had to be a member of specific group. If known, describe how participants obtained "access to the platform and Internet" [1]. To ensure access for editors/reviewers/readers, consider to provide a "backdoor" login account or demo mode for reviewers/readers to explore the application (also important for archiving purposes, see vi).

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-vii? \*

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not applicable - used fitbit.com

### 5-viii) Mode of delivery, features/functionality/components of the intervention and comparator, and the theoretical framework

Describe mode of delivery, features/functionality/components of the intervention and comparator, and the theoretical framework [6] used to design them (instructional strategy [1], behaviour change techniques, persuasive features, etc., see e.g., [7, 8] for terminology). This includes an in-depth description of the content (including where it is coming from and who developed it) [1], whether [and how] it is tailored to individual circumstances and allows users to track their progress and receive

feedback” [6]. This also includes a description of communication delivery channels and – if computer-mediated communication is a component – whether communication was synchronous or asynchronous [6]. It also includes information on presentation strategies [1], including page design principles, average amount of text on pages, presence of hyperlinks to other resources, etc. [1].

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full description of the intervention is published in a previous paper

### 5-ix) Describe use parameters

Describe use parameters (e.g., intended “doses” and optimal timing for use). Clarify what instructions or recommendations were given to the user, e.g., regarding timing, frequency, heaviness of use, if any, or was the intervention used ad libitum.

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-ix?

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Your answer

### 5-x) Clarify the level of human involvement

Clarify the level of human involvement (care providers or health professionals, also technical assistance) in the e-intervention or as co-intervention (detail number and expertise of professionals involved, if any, as well as “type of assistance offered, the timing and frequency of the support, how it is initiated, and the medium by which the assistance is delivered”. It may be necessary to distinguish between the level of human involvement required for the trial, and the level of human involvement required for a routine application outside of a RCT setting (discuss under item 21 – generalizability).

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-x?

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### 5-xi) Report any prompts/reminders used

Report any prompts/reminders used: Clarify if there were prompts (letters, emails, phone calls, SMS) to use the application, what triggered them, frequency etc. It may be necessary to distinguish between the level of prompts/reminders required for the trial, and the level of prompts/reminders for a routine application outside of a RCT setting (discuss under item 21 – generalizability).

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-xi? \*

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"Participants were instructed to use their Fitbit to self-monitor their physical activity. As the intervention focused on Fitbit's "Active Minutes," which consists of MVPA and did not focus on steps, participants were encouraged to wear the Fitbit when engaging in MVPA but were not instructed to wear it for a minimum amount of time each day."

### 5-xii) Describe any co-interventions (incl. training/support)

Describe any co-interventions (incl. training/support): Clearly state any interventions that are provided in addition to the targeted eHealth intervention, as ehealth intervention may not be designed as stand-alone intervention. This includes training sessions and support [1]. It may be necessary to distinguish between the level of training required for the trial, and the level of training for a routine application outside of a RCT setting (discuss under item 21 – generalizability).

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### Does your paper address subitem 5-xii? \*

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full description of the intervention is published in a previous paper

### 6a) Completely defined pre-specified primary and secondary outcome measures, including how and when they were assessed

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 6a? \*

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full description of the primary and secondary outcomes are published in a previous paper and not part of this paper.

### 6a-i) Online questionnaires: describe if they were validated for online use and apply CHERRIES items to describe how the questionnaires were designed/deployed

If outcomes were obtained through online questionnaires, describe if they were validated for online use and apply CHERRIES items to describe how the questionnaires were designed/deployed [9].

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### Does your paper address subitem 6a-i?

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### 6a-ii) Describe whether and how "use" (including intensity of

**6a-ii) Describe whether and how “use” (including intensity of use/dosage) was defined/measured/monitored**

Describe whether and how “use” (including intensity of use/dosage) was defined/measured/monitored (logins, logfile analysis, etc.). Use/adoption metrics are important process outcomes that should be reported in any ehealth trial.

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**Does your paper address subitem 6a-ii?**

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**6a-iii) Describe whether, how, and when qualitative feedback from participants was obtained**

Describe whether, how, and when qualitative feedback from participants was obtained (e.g., through emails, feedback forms, interviews, focus groups).

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**Does your paper address subitem 6a-iii?**

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**6b) Any changes to trial outcomes after the trial commenced, with reasons**



**Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 6b? \***

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not applicable - no changes

## 7a) How sample size was determined

NPT: When applicable, details of whether and how the clustering by care providers or centers was addressed

### 7a-i) Describe whether and how expected attrition was taken into account when calculating the sample size

Describe whether and how expected attrition was taken into account when calculating the sample size.

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### Does your paper address subitem 7a-i?

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## 7b) When applicable, explanation of any interim analyses and stopping guidelines

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 7b? \*

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not applicable

## 8a) Method used to generate the random allocation sequence

NPT: When applicable, how care providers were allocated to each trial group

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 8a? \*

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randomization allocation published in a previous paper

## 8b) Type of randomisation; details of any restriction (such as blocking and block size)

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randomization allocation published in a previous paper

## 9) Mechanism used to implement the random allocation sequence (such as sequentially numbered containers), describing any steps taken to conceal the sequence until interventions were assigned

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 9? \*

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randomization allocation published in a previous paper

## 10) Who generated the random allocation sequence, who enrolled participants, and who assigned participants to interventions

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 10? \*

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randomization allocation published in a previous paper

## 11a) If done, who was blinded after assignment to interventions (for example, participants, care providers, those assessing outcomes) and how

NPT: Whether or not administering co-interventions were blinded to group assignment

### 11a-i) Specify who was blinded, and who wasn't

Specify who was blinded, and who wasn't. Usually, in web-based trials it is not possible to blind the participants [1, 3] (this should be clearly acknowledged), but it may be possible to blind outcome assessors, those doing data analysis or those administering co-interventions (if any).

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### Does your paper address subitem 11a-i? \*

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manuscript presenting results from 1 arm only so not included in this paper

### 11a-ii) Discuss e.g., whether participants knew which intervention was the "intervention of interest" and which one was the "comparator"

Informed consent procedures (4a-ii) can create biases and certain expectations - discuss e.g., whether participants knew which intervention was the "intervention of interest" and which one was the "comparator".

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### Does your paper address subitem 11a-ii?

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## 11b) If relevant, description of the similarity of interventions

(this item is usually not relevant for ehealth trials as it refers to similarity of a placebo or sham intervention to a active medication/intervention)

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 11b? \*

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## 12a) Statistical methods used to compare groups for primary and secondary outcomes

NPT: When applicable, details of whether and how the clustering by care providers or centers was addressed

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 12a? \*

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primary and secondary outcomes were previously published - this is exploratory analyses

## 12a-i) Imputation techniques to deal with attrition / missing values

Imputation techniques to deal with attrition / missing values: Not all participants will use the intervention/comparator as intended and attrition is typically high in ehealth trials. Specify how participants who did not use the application or dropped out from the trial were treated in the statistical analysis (a complete case analysis is strongly discouraged, and simple imputation techniques such as LOCF may also be problematic [4]).

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### Does your paper address subitem 12a-i? \*

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"Syncing errors occurred for 2 participants resulting in no data for 64 days for 1 participant and 21 days for the other participant; this data was considered missing and not classified as nonvalid."

### 12b) Methods for additional analyses, such as subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses



### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 12b? \*

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"Examine Patterns of Adherence to Wearing the Fitbit: Overall adherence to wearing the Fitbit was analyzed by determining the percent of days in the 12-week

intervention period that the participant logged a valid day of wear (>10 hours wear or >1 min MVPA)...To graphically display patterns of adherence over time, rolling adherence was calculated by determining the percent valid days in the past 6 days + the current day. To examine differences in weekly adherence, we calculated the mean (SD) of weekly adherence from the end of each week (1,...,12) and carried out a mixed effects analysis of variance (ANOVA), with a subject level random intercept and slope and using a variance components covariance structure, to detect an omnibus difference in adherence between weeks. The subject level random intercept and slope models were used to account for the correlated nature of the weeks nested within each individual."

"Test the Association of Adherence to Wearing the Fitbit With Changes in ActiGraph-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity: The association between Fitbit adherence and change in ActiGraph-measured MVPA was assessed using a linear mixed effects model with a subject level random intercept. The model regressed ActiGraph-measured MVPA on overall Fitbit adherence, time (baseline vs follow-up), and the interaction between adherence and time."

"Examine Patterns of Fitbit-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity: Overall, Fitbit-measured MVPA was assessed by calculating the mean (SD) of day level MVPA for each participant across all valid days in the 12-week study and transforming to the week level.

To graphically display patterns of physical activity over time, rolling MVPA was calculated by summing the minutes of physical activity in the past 6 days + the current day. To examine differences in weekly MVPA, we calculated the mean (SD) of weekly MVPA from the end of each week (1,...,12) and carried out a mixed effects ANOVA, with a subject level random intercept and slope and variance components covariance structure, to detect an omnibus difference in Fitbit-measured MVPA between weeks. As before, the subject level random intercept and slope allowed us to account for the correlated nature of the weeks nested within each individual."

"Test the Association Between Self-Reported Checking of Data on the Tracker, Mobile App, or Website With Changes in ActiGraph-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity: Associations between physical activity self-monitoring and changes in ActiGraph-measured MVPA were analyzed using a linear mixed effects model with a subject level random intercept. The model regressed ActiGraph-measured MVPA on the self-monitoring score, time (baseline vs follow-up), and the interaction between the self-monitoring score and time. There were two "self-monitoring scores," each based on an 8-point Likert score (one for looking at information on the Fitbit tracker and the other for looking at information on the app or website). In addition, we created a combined binary variable to assess the

proportion of participants who looked at both the Fitbit tracker and the app or website daily ( $\geq$ once per day) versus those who did not. The mixed effects model was run individually for each of the self-monitoring questions, with the Likert questions treated as continuous. Questions were treated as continuous because the Likert measure had 8 points, there was an underlying continuous concept (time), and low skew when the distribution was treated as continuous.”

## X26) REB/IRB Approval and Ethical Considerations [recommended as subheading under "Methods"] (not a CONSORT item)



### X26-i) Comment on ethics committee approval

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Your answer

## x26-ii) Outline informed consent procedures

Outline informed consent procedures e.g., if consent was obtained offline or online (how? Checkbox, etc.?), and what information was provided (see 4a-ii). See [6] for some items to be included in informed consent documents.

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### Does your paper address subitem X26-ii?

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## X26-iii) Safety and security procedures

Safety and security procedures, incl. privacy considerations, and any steps taken to reduce the likelihood or detection of harm (e.g., education and training, availability of a hotline)

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## RESULTS

13a) For each group, the numbers of participants who were randomly assigned, received intended treatment, and were analysed for the primary outcome

NPT: The number of care providers or centers performing the intervention in each group and the number of patients treated by each care provider in each center

## Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 13a? \*

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"A total of 87 participants were randomized to the exercise arm (n=43) or the control arm (n=44). One participant from each arm was lost to follow-up, resulting in a 97.7% retention rate (exercise n=42, control n=43) [45]. The current analyses comprise data from the 42 participants who were randomized to the exercise arm and completed the study."

## 13b) For each group, losses and exclusions after randomisation, together with reasons

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 13b? (NOTE: Preferably, this is shown in a CONSORT flow diagram) \*

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### 13b-i) Attrition diagram

Strongly recommended: An attrition diagram (e.g., proportion of participants still logging in or using the intervention/comparator in each group plotted over time, similar to a survival curve) or other figures or tables demonstrating usage/dose/engagement.

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## Does your paper address subitem 13b-i?

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## 14a) Dates defining the periods of recruitment and follow-up

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"Data were collected from February 2015 to July 2016."

### 14a-i) Indicate if critical "secular events" fell into the study period

Indicate if critical "secular events" fell into the study period, e.g., significant changes in Internet resources available or "changes in computer hardware or Internet delivery resources"

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## Does your paper address subitem 14a-i?

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## 14b) Why the trial ended or was stopped (early)

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 14b? \*

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information not in the ms, or briefly explain why the item is not applicable/relevant for your study

Not applicable, the trial was not stopped early

## 15) A table showing baseline demographic and clinical characteristics for each group



NPT: When applicable, a description of care providers (case volume, qualification, expertise, etc.) and centers (volume) in each group

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 15? \*

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"Participants were 42 female breast cancer survivors who were predominantly diagnosed at stage 1 (62%, 26/42). About half had received chemotherapy, and about three-fourths were currently taking an aromatase inhibitor or tamoxifen. They were an average of 58 years old (SD 11.3), with the majority being non-Hispanic (81%, 34/42), white (83%, 35/42), and having a college education or greater (69% [29/42]; Table 1)."

### 15-i) Report demographics associated with digital divide issues

In ehealth trials it is particularly important to report demographics associated with digital divide issues, such as age, education, gender, social-economic status, computer/Internet/ehealth literacy of the participants, if known.

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### Does your paper address subitem 15-i? \*

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Age, education, gender, ethnicity, and race are presented in Table 1.

Computer/internet/ehealth literacy was assessed during the telephone screening

call, prior to scheduling a baseline visit.

## 16) For each group, number of participants (denominator) included in each analysis and whether the analysis was by original assigned groups



### 16-i) Report multiple “denominators” and provide definitions

Report multiple “denominators” and provide definitions: Report N’s (and effect sizes) “across a range of study participation [and use] thresholds” [1], e.g., N exposed, N consented, N used more than x times, N used more than y weeks, N participants “used” the intervention/comparator at specific pre-defined time points of interest (in absolute and relative numbers per group). Always clearly define “use” of the intervention.

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### Does your paper address subitem 16-i? \*

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Denominators are reported throughout the results

### 16-ii) Primary analysis should be intent-to-treat

Primary analysis should be intent-to-treat, secondary analyses could include comparing only “users”, with the appropriate caveats that this is no longer a randomized sample (see 18-i).

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### Does your paper address subitem 16-ii?

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17a) For each primary and secondary outcome, results for each group, and the estimated effect size and its precision (such as 95% confidence interval)

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 17a? \*

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Primary and secondary outcomes previously published, not relevant for current manuscript.

### 17a-i) Presentation of process outcomes such as metrics of use and intensity of use

In addition to primary/secondary (clinical) outcomes, the presentation of process outcomes such as metrics of use and intensity of use (dose, exposure) and their operational definitions is critical. This does not only refer to metrics of attrition (13-b) (often a binary variable), but also to more continuous exposure metrics such as "average session length". These must be accompanied by a technical description how a metric like a "session" is defined (e.g., timeout after idle time) [1] (report under item 6a).

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### Does your paper address subitem 17a-i?

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17b) For binary outcomes, presentation of both absolute and relative effect sizes is recommended

### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 17b? \*

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not applicable

18) Results of any other analyses performed, including subgroup analyses and adjusted analyses, distinguishing pre-specified from exploratory



### Does your paper address CONSORT subitem 18? \*

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"Overall Adherence to Wearing the Fitbit and Associations With ActiGraph-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity: Greater adherence to wearing the Fitbit was

associated with greater increases in ActiGraph-measured MVPA (binteraction=0.35 P<.001). Someone with the median amount of valid wear days (95%) had an expected ActiGraph-measured MVPA increase of 109.8 min/week, whereas someone with the first or third quartile amount of valid wear days (80% and 98%, respectively) had an expected ActiGraph-measured MVPA increase of 73.3 min/week and 117.2 min/week, respectively.”

“Patterns of Fitbit-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity: Across the 12 weeks, participants averaged 182.6 minutes/week (SD 143.9) of MVPA on the Fitbit. Minutes of MVPA per week significantly differed over the 12 weeks (F11/392=1.91, P=.04; Figure 2). Weeks 3 and 9 had the highest average MVPA with 222.9 min/week (SD 173.4) and 198.4 min/week (SD 167.9), respectively. Weeks 12 and 5 had the lowest average MVPA with 159.7 min/week (SD 128.4) and 168.1 min/week (SD 123.5), respectively.”

“Association of Use of the Fitbit Tracker, App or Website With ActiGraph-Measured Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity. Frequency of looking at one’s data on the Fitbit app or website, controlling for adherence to wearing the Fitbit, was not associated with change in ActiGraph MVPA (P=.36). There was a negative association between looking at one’s data on the Fitbit tracker and change in ActiGraph MVPA (b=-1.36, P=.07), controlling for adherence to wearing the Fitbit. Participants who reported looking at the tracker more frequently had smaller increases in MVPA than those who looked less often. When this analysis was carried out on the combined binary variable of looking at the Fitbit tracker or the app or computer at least daily, we found no association with change in ActiGraph MVPA (P=.87).”

### 18-i) Subgroup analysis of comparing only users

A subgroup analysis of comparing only users is not uncommon in ehealth trials, but if done, it must be stressed that this is a self-selected sample and no longer an unbiased sample from a randomized trial (see 16-iii).

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## 19) All important harms or unintended effects in each group

(for specific guidance see CONSORT for harms)

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## 19-i) Include privacy breaches, technical problems

Include privacy breaches, technical problems. This does not only include physical "harm" to participants, but also incidents such as perceived or real privacy breaches [1], technical problems, and other unexpected/unintended incidents. "Unintended effects" also includes unintended positive effects [2].

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## 19-ii) Include qualitative feedback from participants or observations from staff/researchers

Include qualitative feedback from participants or observations from staff/researchers, if available, on strengths and shortcomings of the application, especially if they point to unintended/unexpected effects or uses. This includes (if available) reasons for why people did or did not use the application as intended by the developers.

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## DISCUSSION

## 22) Interpretation consistent with results, balancing benefits and harms, and considering other relevant evidence

NPT: In addition, take into account the choice of the comparator, lack of or partial blinding, and unequal expertise of care providers or centers in each group

## 22-i) Restate study questions and summarize the answers suggested by the data, starting with primary outcomes and process outcomes (use)

Restate study questions and summarize the answers suggested by the data, starting with primary outcomes and process outcomes (use).

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") "This study is one of the first to take an in-depth look at use of a commercially available wearable activity tracker and how it relates to changes in physical activity.

Using minute level data collected from the Fitbit, adherence to wearing the tracker was high and stable across the 12-week intervention period. This is generally consistent with previous research; however, one recent observational study found linear decreases in Fitbit use over a year. This suggests that Fitbit use long term and not within an intervention may be different than was seen in this study. Although a challenge of comparing Fitbit use across studies is that how adherence to wearing the tracker was calculated or defined is often not reported. To our knowledge, this is also one of the first studies to explore the relationship between use of a commercially available activity tracker and success in a physical activity intervention where the physical activity was also measured by an ActiGraph, the gold standard measure for free-living physical activity in research. The positive association between wearing the Fitbit and increased MVPA suggests that using the real-time data to determine if someone is wearing their tracker could help to identify individuals who may need additional support, or possibly other self-monitoring methods, to support behavior change.

In our analyses, MVPA significantly varied throughout the intervention. Interestingly, the highest minutes of MVPA occurred at week 3, immediately after the intervention call, which typically occurred around the end of week 2, and at week 9, which was around when participants were contacted to confirm their final visit at 12 weeks. This highlights the importance of personal contact with participants in a physical activity intervention and is consistent with research that has found greater benefit for combining technology-based self-monitoring with counseling than using technology alone.

A novel aspect of wearable trackers is that they can provide objective feedback on MVPA. Previous studies with traditional pedometers could only provide feedback on steps, which captures activities of all intensities. We identified only two other published physical activity interventions in which participants set goals explicitly on Fitbit's active minutes and examined changes in Fitbit-measured active minutes as one of the primary study outcomes. Given the numerous benefits of MVPA the capability of trackers to automatically collect information on MVPA may be useful in helping individuals meet physical activity guidelines.

While technology-based activity trackers make self-monitoring less burdensome compared with traditional tracking methods, they also do not require a person to attend to the information being collected by the monitor. Overall, self-reported viewing of activity data on the Fitbit itself, or on the Fitbit website or app was very high. Looking at activity data on the app or website was not associated with changes in ActiGraph-measured MVPA. Surprisingly, more frequent looking at data on the Fitbit tracker itself was associated with smaller changes in ActiGraph-

measured MVPA. One reason for this finding may be that the Fitbit One tracker did not show minutes of MVPA; that information was only available on the app or website. These results could also indicate that checking one's own data is not as important as being accountable to someone else for increasing physical activity. In this study, it was stressed that the Fitbit would be used so that the interventionist could see the data and provide support. It may be that being accountable was a greater motivating factor for increasing MVPA than being self-aware of one's own activity levels. Much of the field's understanding of the importance of self-monitoring is based on active self-monitoring, which typically require a person to think about their day and record their minutes of activity, but this record is often not easily or immediately shared. As technology-based trackers become more common place in interventions, we need to continue exploring the impact of active versus passive self-monitoring and the role of accountability on behavior change so that our understanding of the role of monitoring physical activity is consistent with new and emerging technologies."

## 22-ii) Highlight unanswered new questions, suggest future research

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## 20) Trial limitations, addressing sources of potential bias, imprecision, and, if relevant, multiplicity of analyses



### 20-i) Typical limitations in ehealth trials

Typical limitations in ehealth trials: Participants in ehealth trials are rarely blinded. Ehealth trials often look at a multiplicity of outcomes, increasing risk for a Type I error. Discuss biases due to non-use of the intervention/usability issues, biases through informed consent procedures, unexpected events.

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""Although this in-depth analysis of daily activity data from a commercially available activity tracker is an important addition to our understanding of how trackers are

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behavior change, several limitations should be noted. This study comprised a small sample of a relatively homogenous group of breast cancer survivors, and results may not be generalizable. Fitbit does not share information on number of times a person checks the Fitbit app or website; therefore, checking of app or website relied on self-report, which unfortunately had little variation, with most participants reporting looking at their Fitbit or the app or website daily. Additionally, self-report questions assessing use and engagement with the tracker were only asked at the end of the intervention, limiting our ability to examine trends in engagement throughout the intervention. In addition, we used a question combining website and app use and could not examine those two modalities separately. The intervention period was relatively short—long-term use of an activity tracker and its relationship with increasing physical activity could not be assessed. Although we also used standard cut-points for determining ActiGraph-measured MVPA, future studies should consider using machine learning algorithms to classify ActiGraph-measured behaviors. Finally, the intervention included many reminders to wear the Fitbit, so adherence results may not be representative of what would happen outside of an intervention protocol.”

## 21) Generalisability (external validity, applicability) of the trial findings

NPT: External validity of the trial findings according to the intervention, comparators, patients, and care providers or centers involved in the trial

### 21-i) Generalizability to other populations

Generalizability to other populations: In particular, discuss generalizability to a general Internet population, outside of a RCT setting, and general patient population, including applicability of the study results for other organizations

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### 21-ii) Discuss if there were elements in the RCT that would be different in a routine application setting

Discuss if there were elements in the RCT that would be different in a routine application setting (e.g., prompts/reminders, more human involvement, training sessions or other co-interventions) and what impact the omission of these elements could have on use, adoption, or outcomes if the intervention is applied outside of a RCT setting.

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## OTHER INFORMATION

### 23) Registration number and name of trial registry

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"The trial was registered with Clinicaltrials.gov (NCT 02332876)."

## 24) Where the full trial protocol can be accessed, if available

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"A detailed description of the protocol was previously published [46]."

## 25) Sources of funding and other support (such as supply of drugs), role of funders

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"Research support was provided by the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health (K07CA181323)."

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### X27-i) State the relation of the study team towards the system being evaluated

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