

**1. Title:** Somatic comorbidity in traumatised refugees with post-traumatic stress disorder (This project is linked to <u>Stress Management versus Cognitive Restructuring: a randomised clinical study on traumatised refugees (PTF2))</u>

**2. Project period:** 15-01-2012 – 13-12-2013

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## 5. Aims

- To set out a descriptive presentation of somatic comorbidity in refugees diagnosed with PTSD who started a course of treatment at the Competence Centre for Transcultural Psychiatry (CTP) (former Psychiatric Trauma Clinic for Refugees) in the period of 15-04-2008 to 13-03-2012.
- To have a special focus on the occurrence of the following comorbid somatic illnesses: cardiovascular disease, apoplexy and type 2 Diabetes mellitus.
- To compare the findings regarding somatic illness with a refugee cohort without PTSD.

## 6. Methods

6.1 Number of participants: 407

6.2 Population: Adult refugees diagnosed with PTSD admitted to treatment at CTP

## 7. Dissemination of results

Following paper is presently in review:

Somatic comorbidity among traumatised migrants with depression and posttraumatic stress disorder