

Electronic Supplementary Material 1

Table E1. Normality test for baseline and endpoint variables of resting SBP, DBP, HR, HGS, saliva NO_2, NO_3 and urine NO_3, Vitamin C.			
Variables	Shapiro-Wilk		
	Statistic	df	Sig.
Resting SBP - Baseline	.904	10	.241
Resting DBP - Baseline	.955	10	.726
Resting HR - Baseline	.944	10	.594
HGS - Baseline	.800	10	.051
Saliva NO_2^- - Baseline	.845	10	.061
Saliva NO_3^- - Baseline	.863	10	.082
Urine NO_3^- - Baseline	.844	10	.050
Vitamin C Urine - Baseline	.625	10	<.001
LOG 10 Vitamin C Urine - Baseline	.945	10	.606
8-isoprostanes - Endpoint	.834	10	.133
Saliva NO_2^- by strip - Endpoint	.744	10	.223
Resting SBP - Endpoint	.954	10	.713
Resetting DBP - Endpoint	.935	10	.504
Resting HR - Endpoint	.822	10	.067
HGS - Endpoint	.934	10	.071
Saliva NO_2^- - Endpoint	.887	10	.156
Saliva NO_3^- - Endpoint	.863	10	.083
Urine NO_3^- - Endpoint	.877	10	.119
Vitamin C Urine - Endpoint	.831	10	.094
8-Isoprostanes - Endpoint	.734	10	.053
Saliva NO_2^- by strip - Endpoint	.644	10	.063
Day 0 SBP	.976	10	.941
Day 1 SBP	.865	10	.087
Day 2 SBP	.963	10	.821
Day 3 SBP	.918	10	.342
Day 0 DBP	.847	10	.053
Day 1 DBP	.926	10	.412
Day 2 DBP	.976	10	.938
Day 3 DBP	.942	10	.577

Keys: SBP: systolic blood pressure; DBP: diastolic blood pressure; HR: heart rate; HGS, hand-grip strength. NO_2^- : nitrite; NO_3^- : nitrate, LOG; logarithm

Table E2. Normality test for baseline Finapres variables

Variables	Shapiro-Wilk		
	Statistic	df	Sig.
Resting systolic BP (mmHg)	.947	10	.631
Resting diastolic BP (mmHg)	.852	10	.061
Resting HR (bpm)	.830	10	.083
Resting SV(ml)	.962	10	.803
Resting CO (ml/min)	.949	10	.657
Resting TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.943	10	.584
HG Systolic BP (mmHg)	.946	10	.618
HG Diastolic BP (mmHg)	.756	10	.084
HG HR (beats/min)	.912	10	.299
HG SV (ml)	.923	10	.383
HG CO (ml/min)	.935	10	.500
HG TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.900	10	.219
Recovery Systolic BP (mmHg)	.848	10	.055
Recovery Diastolic BP (mmHg)	.817	10	.093
Recovery HR (beats/min)	.929	10	.441
Recovery SV (ml)	.920	10	.354
Recovery CO (ml/min)	.872	10	.105
Recovery TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.672	10	.541
Resting systolic BP (mmHg)	.975	10	.931
Resting diastolic BP(mmHg)	.948	10	.645
Resting HR(bpm)	.952	10	.688
Resting SV(ml)	.904	10	.240
Resting CO (ml/min)	.959	10	.773
Resting TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.953	10	.708
HG Systolic BP (mmHg)	.850	10	.058
HG Diastolic BP (mmHg)	.882	10	.137
HG HR (beats/min)	.893	10	.183
HG SV (ml)	.900	10	.222
HG CO (ml/min)	.981	10	.970
HG TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.906	10	.252
Recovery Systolic BP (mmHg)	.918	10	.338
Recovery Diastolic BP (mmHg)	.886	10	.151
Recovery HR (beats/min)	.958	10	.760
Recovery SV (ml)	.948	10	.648
Recovery CO (ml/min)	.934	10	.493
Recovery TPR (mm Hg·min/L)	.947	10	.630

Kyes: BP: blood pressure; HR: heart rate; HGS, hand grips strength; MAP: mean arterial pressure; SV: stroke volume; CO: cardiac output; TPR: total peripheral resistance.

Table E3. Accelerometer measurements of free living physical activity following 3-day supplementation with N, ND, and N+VC Interventions.				
	N	ND	N+VC	P
Sedentary activity	639.8±57.6	714.53±77.77	729.66±74.70	0.25
time (mins)	40.2±11.0	47.93±13.02	34.33±8.84	
Light activity	117.7±35.6	125.76±35.18	110.66±32.42	0.16
time (mins)	7.70±2.49	13.80±4.03	7.35±2.80	
Moderate activity	79.60±5.77	78.22±6.03	80.99±5.40	0.33
time (mins)	4.89±1.28	5.94±1.40	4.32±1.11	
Vigorous activity	14.34±4.25	14.58±4.13	13.57±4.01	0.03*
time (mins)	0.95±.32	1.58±.48	0.84±.33	
Sedentary activity %				0.28
Light activity %				0.12
Moderate activity %				0.57
Vigorous activity %				0.03*

Key: N, nitrate alone; ND, nitrate depleted; N+VC, nitrate with vitamin C. Values are reported as means ± SEM. Repeated-measure ANOVA was used to evaluate differences between the three groups.

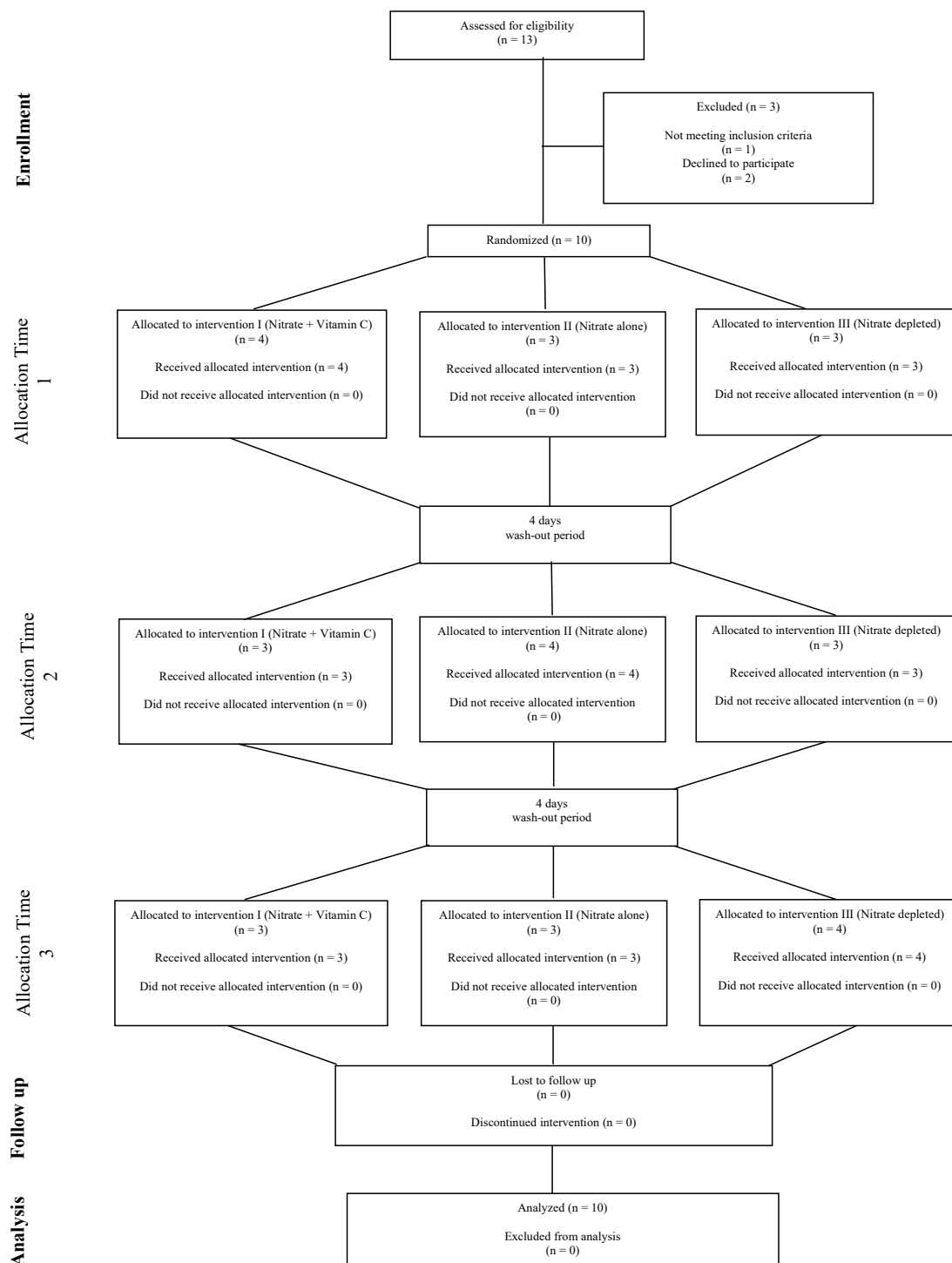


Figure E1. Flow chart showing recruitment, allocation to treatment and compliance to study.