



British Antibiotic & Silver Impregnated Catheters for Ventriculoperitoneal Shunts Trial



April 2014 – Easter Newsletter



Meet the BASICS Team

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Recruiting Centres



We would like to welcome the sites that have opened recently:

Addenbrookes Hospital
Royal Manchester Children's Hospital
University Hospital of Wales- Cardiff

We look forward to opening the following sites soon :

Frenchay Hospital/ Royal Bristol Childrens
Children's University Hospital- Dublin
Kings College Hospital
University Hospital Wales

Recruitment

We have opened a further **3** sites since the last newsletter and we should now see an increase in recruitment numbers, all remaining sites should be open by June 2014.

The total number of patients recruited is **140**.

January was one of our busiest months with **20** patients randomised! It would be great to continue increasing this number month by month, so please keep up the good work and keep on recruiting.

Site	Date opened	Consent Rate %	Target Recruited %
Alder Hey Children's Hospital	Jun 13	74%	36%
The Walton Centre	Jul 13	93%	28%
Southampton	Jul 13	70%	27%
QMC Nottingham	Nov 13	80%	16%
Royal Hallamshire	Oct 13	100%	18%
Sheffield Children's	Nov 13	80%	16%
Salford Royal	Oct 13	75%	16%
GOSH	Oct 13	48%	9%
Birmingham Children's	Dec 13	75%	8%
Addenbrookes	Jan 14	100%	3%
University Hospital Wales- Cardiff	April 14	100%	2%
Royal Manchester Children's Hospital	Mar 14	0%	0%

Trial News

The **4th** substantial amendment has been submitted to REC and we are hoping for approval to be granted soon. This amendment has changes to the protocol, including the use of nominated professional consent.

There will be no changes to PIS&C

Recent events

Thanks to all BASICS Trial PI's and Research Nurses who attended our Investigators meeting on **Thursday 6th March 2014**. The meeting was a great success and it was a great opportunity for all our teams to meet, discuss and share ideas for the study.



Special Note

I would like to wish our Research Nurse Jen Lowndes a fond farewell and thank her for all her hard work and support, Best of Luck in your new post!!!

A massive warm welcome to our new Lead Research Nurse, Jane England-Smith, it's a pleasure to have you on board, we all look forward to working with you!!! Good Luck x



The BASICS Team would like to wish all PI's, Research Team's and Microbiologist's a very **HAPPY EASTER!!**