

Newsletter 4 | Spring 2023

612 Patients Randomised

Thank You!

Thanks to the huge efforts of everyone involved, we are now open and recruiting at **59 centres** across the UK & in the last 3 months we have opened **7 new sites**.

Recruitment Update

Huge congratulations to **Royal stoke Hospital** who recruited their **50th** participant, **Royal Liverpool** who recruited the **500th** participant and **Pinderfields** who recruited the **600th** participant. We are getting closer and closer to **#700**. We will be sending prizes for reaching various recruitment milestones, so keep an eye out for these coming your way!

Well done to our top recruiters so far:

Royal Stoke University Hospital	55
Bristol Royal Infirmary	45
Belfast City Hospital; RVH	31
Aintree Hospital	30
Freeman; RVI	27
Southmead Hospital	27

Investigator Meetings

We welcome all site staff to join us for our monthly investigator meetings via MS Teams - find out how the trial is progressing, meet and learn from colleagues at different hospitals, and share challenges.

Upcoming dates:

- Thursday 22nd June 3 -4pm
- Tuesday 11th July 3.30 - 4.30pm
- Thursday 10th August 2 3pm

REMEMBER

Confirmation of Eligibility

 Task 4 on the delegation log — this can only be confirmed by a medically qualified person, a physician, on the delegation log.

Informed Consent

Task 2 on the delegation log—consent can only be taken by a doctor or a registered nurse on the delegation log. An API/ACCP can be involved in the process but ultimately this must be signed by the doctor or nurse.

Database Change

The database change is now **live**. We will require sites to enter some data retrospectively in regards to **Transfer of patients and Ventilation History**. There are minor changes to **Admission Details**, **Medical History**, **CS/HTS Administration and Termination**, **Antibiotic Usage and Protocol Deviations**. We will be holding **drop-in training sessions** for those that feel they need it, on the following dates:

Tuesday 6th June 10 - 10.30 am and Tuesday 20th June 12.30 - 1 pm

Hints and Tips

Please remember when sending the Patient Contact Details Form, to enter the randomisation number not the screening number.

NIHR API Scheme

We have >40 enthusiastic APIs from a variety of backgrounds, for more info check out: <u>https://www.nihr.ac.uk/healthand-care-professionals/careerdevelopment/associate-principalinvestigator-scheme.htm</u>

Centres Open 59

Meet the MARCH Team...

A message from the MARCH study Clinical Trial Administrator, **Maria Crawford.**



My name is Maria and I work part-time on MARCH. I have been on the study since October last year. I am a busy Mum to two girls, so with work and home I don't have time for many hobbies.

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MARCH Mechanistic Sub-Study

We continue to collect **sputum samples** as part of the EME-funded **MARCH Mechanistic Sub-Study.** We will be holding further webinar sessions with **Professor Cliff Taggart** to learn more about this component of the main trial – invites to follow,

- 5th June 12.30 -1pm
- 25th July 1 –1.30pm
- 22nd August 1.30 2pm

Congratulations to **Sunderland** and **Southmead Hospital** for collecting 5 x Baseline and Day 3 samples and **Bristol Royal Infirmary** for collecting 10 x Baseline and Day 3 samples. This is a huge achievement and prizes are coming your way!

Engage With Us

We're keen to engage with as many of you as possible. Follow us on Twitter for updates on study progress and reminders for upcoming MARCH study events, such as Investigator Meetings and SIV Training.

Please also check out our website for further information on the study, and copies of key documentation:

https://nictu.hscni.net/march-trial/







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