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TRIAL END DATE 19TH JUNE 2026

Determining the feasibility of randomising children and young people to invasive and non-invasive urine sampling techniques

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A massive thank you to all site teams for your efforts! Targets were well and truly achieved, over and above for research teams – Congratulations!

The FROG study ended on 19th June 2026, with the final data collected for work package 3 – consensus meeting. Final recruitment figures:

Activity	NIHR target	Total Achieved
Participants recruited	100	99*
Participants randomised	~	64
Sites opened	6	6
Parent interviews conducted	~	14
Parent questionnaires completed	50	89
HCP staff recruited for focus groups	~	28
Consensus meeting attended	12-25	19

*1 participant was recruited twice in error

Lay summary of study results & findings, developed with the FROG PPI group, have been disseminated to sites and participants. The lay summary will be published on the Health Research Authority website – click on the link: Feasibility of randomising children to urine sampling (FROG) V1.0 - Health Research Authority

WORK PACKAGE 3 CONSENSUS MEETING

The FROG consensus meeting took place virtually, on Friday 19th June 2026. A protocol amendment was approved by REC and HRA 12/05/2026 to accommodate the online consensus meeting, updated consensus form and participant facing documentation.

Thank you to site teams for disseminating the consensus meeting information throughout your networks. A total of 19 stakeholders took part on the day with consensus reached on a larger trial testing clean catch vs TUBC in infants under 18 months and sample accuracy as the primary outcome.

Some helpful study information for site close out

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Please reach out if any questions on closeout or archiving FROG@nictu.hscni.net

NEXT STEPS

Having reached the study progression criteria, an application has been submitted to NIHR to conduct the Transurethral Or clean-catch Approach to UTI Diagnosis in children (TOAD) trial. Thank you to all sites who registered your interest and feasibility to host TOAD.

CI, Tom Waterfield, has submitted a study manuscript to the NIHR Open Journal. This should be published by December 2026. If you would like to read the article, please keep an eye on the FROG International Standard Randomised Controlled Trial Number (ISRCTN) registry record 84676764, https://doi.org/10.1186/ISRCTN84676764 , where the DOI (article location) will be found.
You can read the preprint - click on the link: https://doi.org/10.64898/2026.08.22.26361091

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