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Welcome to new sites

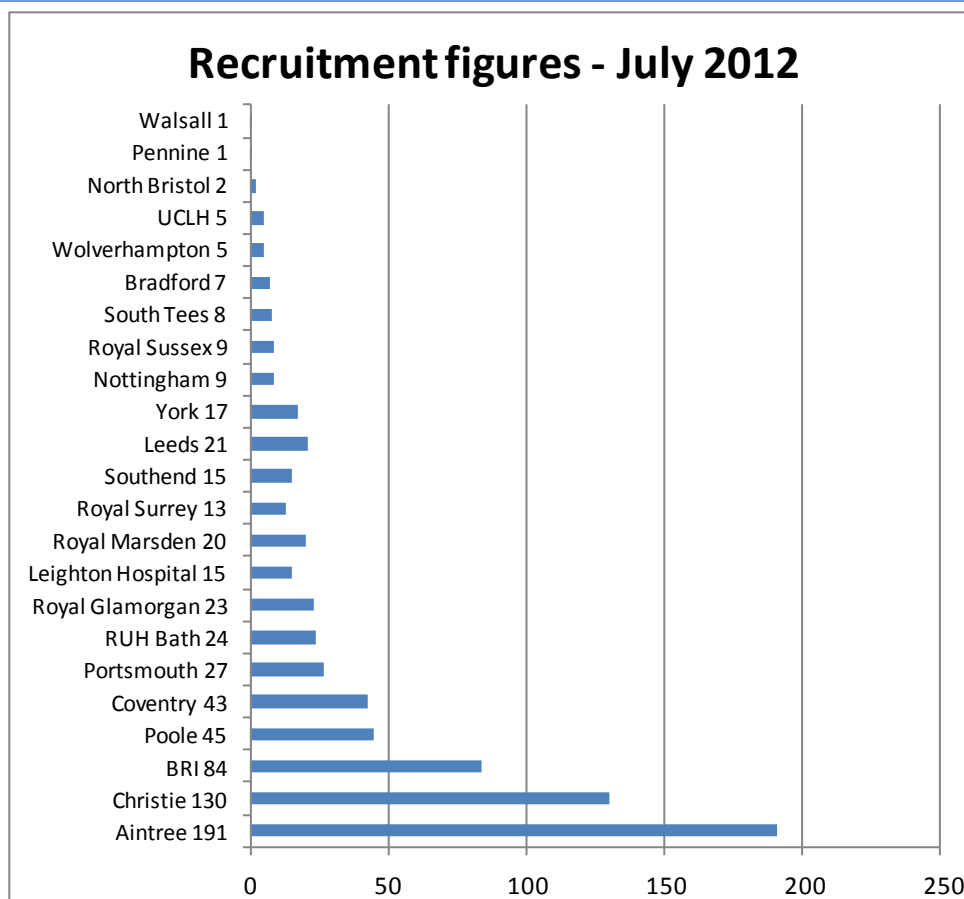
We are now achieving approximately 75 patients per month recruitment and with more sites coming on board we expect this number to rise in the next few months.

Meet the team

Bina Nausheen is the new programme manager on the Head and Neck 5000. She has moved to Bristol from Southampton where she worked in mental health for a few years after completing her PhD in psychosocial oncology. She has experience of managing clinical research projects in various countries. She enjoys outdoor running, and travelling particularly in the American continents.



Currently 35 sites are open and 724 patients have been recruited. 19 sites are currently awaiting local R&D approval/contracts. 11 further sites have expressed interest!



Important things to remember

The response rate for the sexual history questionnaire is lower than for other questionnaires. When you are giving the questionnaires to the patients, please will you emphasise to them that this is an important part of the study and their answers will be very useful in the examination of the causes of oral cancers.

Pathology tissue samples are being received at the trial office without the appropriate pathology form to accompany them. Please ensure the correct forms are sent in with each sample with the patient identifier number only on the form, patient names should be removed.

It is very important that the patient number is recorded on each page of the questionnaires, we know this is a tedious task but questionnaires have been received in the Trial office with no patient identifiers which leads to extra work trying to find out which site the patient is from. Also with so many patients in the study we need extra vigilance in ensuring patient forms are correctly completed by the research teams.

To help look up ICD codes try this link: <http://apps.who.int/classifications/icd10/browse/2010/en>

We would like to remind all sites of the process for the collection of Patient tissue samples

Collected from patients undergoing surgery and where possible from diagnostic biopsies

Tissue samples are paraffin embedded blocks

Tissue samples and H&N5000 **pathology forms** to be labelled with patient study ID and ini-

NEW STUDY

(Data will be collected by Holly Cole-Hawkins as part of her PhD; from Bristol only)

Survivorship in people with oral cancer and their partners: a study examining the patient and partner journey over twelve months from diagnosis, using diaries, interviews and quality of life measures.

Using the HN5000 quality of life data, this study will investigate what it means to be a survivor of oral cancer or have a partner who is a survivor. It will assess how both the diagnosis of and treatments for oral cancer affect quality of life in people with oral cancer. We will examine the impact of changes to people's appearance, support needs and changes to relationships.

In addition to the above, fifteen people with oral cancer and eight of their partners will take part in one-to-one semi-structured qualitative interviews at three time points: diagnosis, four months following diagnosis and 12 months following diagnosis. They will also be asked to complete diaries about their experiences over a period of nine months after diagnosis.

The results of this study investigating survivorship will provide additional data about the impact that a diagnosis of oral cancer has and it will help with the development of interventions to provide appropriate support during this difficult time.

OPEN SITES

Bath: Royal United Bath
Bradford: Bradford Royal Infirmary
Brighton: Royal Sussex Hospital
Bristol: Bristol Royal Infirmary, Southmead Hospital
Cambridge: Addenbrookes Hospital
Cardiff & Vale: University Hospital Wales
Coventry: University Hospital Coventry
Crewe: Leighton Hospital
Darlington & Durham: Darlington Memorial Hospital
Doncaster: Doncaster Royal Infirmary
Leeds: Leeds General Infirmary
Liverpool: Aintree University Hospital
London: Charing Cross Hospital, Royal Marsden, UCLH
Luton: Luton and Dunstable Hospital
Manchester: Christie Hospital, Manchester Royal Infirmary, North Manchester General Hospital
Middlesbrough: James Cook University Hospital
Newport: Royal Gwent Hospital
North Lincs & Goole: Scunthorpe General Hospital
Nottingham: Nottingham University Hospital
Pontyclun: Royal Glamorgan Hospital Cwm Taf
Poole: Poole Hospital
Portsmouth: Queen Alexandra Hospital
Preston: Royal Preston Hospital
Sheffield: Weston Park Hospital
Southend-on-Sea: Southend Hospital
Sunderland: Sunderland Royal Hospital
Surrey: Royal Surrey County Hospital
York: York Hospital
Walsall: Manor Hospital
Wolverhampton: Royal Wolverhampton Hospital

SITES AWAITING R&D APPROVAL

Blackburn: Royal Blackburn Hospital
Chelmsford: Broomfield Hospital
London: St Mary's (Thyroid Clinic), St George's Hospital
Shrewsbury: Royal Shrewsbury Hospital
Taunton: Musgrove Park Hospital

SITES PREPARING FOR R&D SUBMISSION

Colchester: Colchester Hospital
Dudley: Guest Hospital
Gloucestershire: Cheltenham General Hospital, Gloucestershire Royal Hospital
Hertfordshire: Mount Vernon Cancer Centre
Hull & East Yorkshire: Castle Hill Hospital
Lincoln: Lincoln County Hospital
London: Northwick Park Hospital
Northampton: Northampton General Hospital
Norwich: Norwich and Norfolk University Hospital
Oxford: Oxford University Hospital
Southampton: Southampton General Hospital
Chesterfield: Chesterfield Royal Hospital

SITES EXPRESSED INTEREST

Cornwall: Royal Cornwall Hospital
Devon & Exeter
Glasgow
Grimsby: Princess of Wales Hospital
Harlow: Princess Alexandra Hospital
Kent & Medway
Newcastle: Freeman Hospital
Plymouth: Derriford Hospital
Rotherham
Swansea: Morriston Hospital

