

**Season's greetings
and welcome to all
new sites**

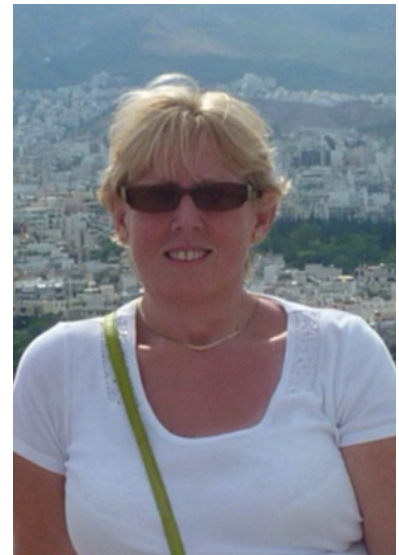
"I would like to congratulate the headandneck 5000 study on the amazing achievement of recruiting their first 1000 patients! This is an extremely important study, and its engagement of the head and neck community around the country has been remarkable. Keep up the good work - we are all behind you !"

Professor Hisham Mehanna, Chair of NCRI head and neck group.

Meet the Team

Christine Wood—Research Co-ordinator Head&Neck5000

I have worked in clinical research for over 15 years. I have been a research coordinator at the University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust for 18 months. Before that I was at Oxford University NHS Trust for a year after over 13 years working in clinical data management for CROs. My family is enormously important to me, I have been married to David for over 30 years and have three children and two grandchildren with another one due in April. I enjoy holidays in Greece, the culture as well as the beautiful country, the people and the food. I have been trying to learn Greek for several years; a difficult language to learn!



Barry Main—Academic Clinical Fellow

I am a Lecturer and Specialty Registrar in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and have been awarded an NIHR 3-year doctoral research fellowship to study current practice of informed consent in head and neck cancer surgery. My project is entitled "Development, piloting and initial evaluation of an intervention to improve information exchange in surgical consultations for complex head and neck cancer surgery."

Surgeons talk to patients before operating on them, but what is said during consultations is rarely studied. I will develop and pilot an information set for surgeons to use in consultations with patients. Delphi surveys with key stakeholders will help define the key information required for consent. It is hope that this will help improve standards of information provision for patients by surgeons.






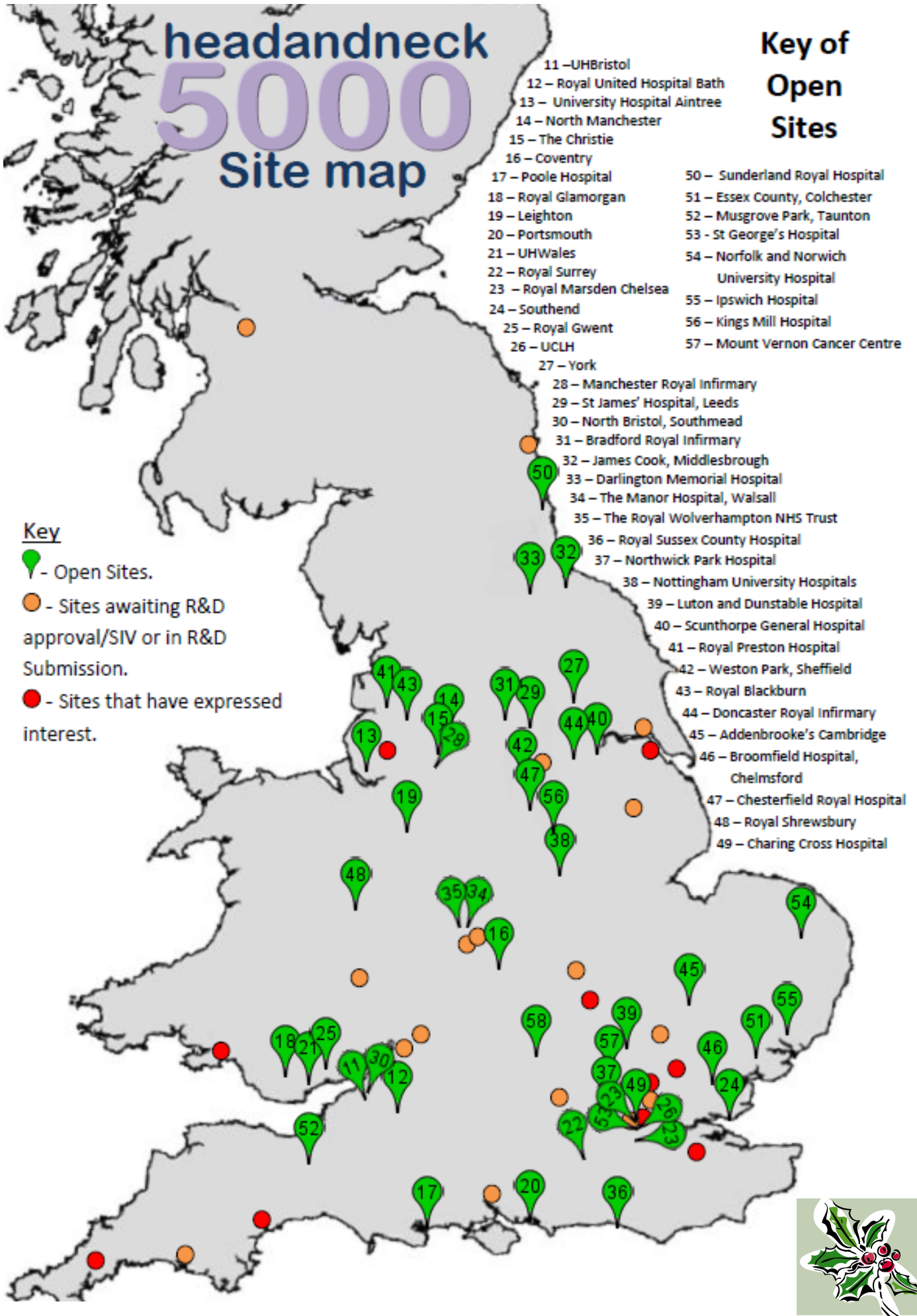
headandneck 5000 Site map

Key of Open Sites

- 11 – UHBristol
- 12 – Royal United Hospital Bath
- 13 – University Hospital Aintree
- 14 – North Manchester
- 15 – The Christie
- 16 – Coventry
- 17 – Poole Hospital
- 18 – Royal Glamorgan
- 19 – Leighton
- 20 – Portsmouth
- 21 – UHWales
- 22 – Royal Surrey
- 23 – Royal Marsden Chelsea
- 24 – Southend
- 25 – Royal Gwent
- 26 – UCLH
- 27 – York
- 28 – Manchester Royal Infirmary
- 29 – St James' Hospital, Leeds
- 30 – North Bristol, Southmead
- 31 – Bradford Royal Infirmary
- 32 – James Cook, Middlesbrough
- 33 – Darlington Memorial Hospital
- 34 – The Manor Hospital, Walsall
- 35 – The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
- 36 – Royal Sussex County Hospital
- 37 – Northwick Park Hospital
- 38 – Nottingham University Hospitals
- 39 – Luton and Dunstable Hospital
- 40 – Scunthorpe General Hospital
- 41 – Royal Preston Hospital
- 42 – Weston Park, Sheffield
- 43 – Royal Blackburn
- 44 – Doncaster Royal Infirmary
- 45 – Addenbrooke's Cambridge
- 46 – Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford
- 47 – Chesterfield Royal Hospital
- 48 – Royal Shrewsbury
- 49 – Charing Cross Hospital
- 50 – Sunderland Royal Hospital
- 51 – Essex County, Colchester
- 52 – Musgrove Park, Taunton
- 53 – St George's Hospital
- 54 – Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital
- 55 – Ipswich Hospital
- 56 – Kings Mill Hospital
- 57 – Mount Vernon Cancer Centre

Key

-  - Open Sites.
-  - Sites awaiting R&D approval/SIV or in R&D Submission.
-  - Sites that have expressed interest.



OPEN SITES

Royal United Hospital Bath
Bradford Royal Infirmary
Royal Sussex Hospital
Bristol Royal Infirmary
Southmead Hospital
Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge
University Hospital Wales
University Hospital Coventry
Leighton Hospital, Crewe
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Doncaster Royal Infirmary
Leeds General Infirmary
Aintree University Hospital
Charing Cross Hospital
Royal Marsden, Chelsea
Royal Marsden, Sutton
UCLH
Luton and Dunstable Hospital
Manchester: Christie Hospital
Manchester Royal Infirmary
North Manchester General Hospital
Middlesbrough: James Cook University Hospital
Royal Gwent Hospital
Scunthorpe General Hospital
Nottingham University Hospital
Royal Glamorgan Hospital Cwm Taf
Poole Hospital
Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth
Royal Preston Hospital
Weston Park Hospital, Sheffield
Southend Hospital
Sunderland Royal Hospital
Royal Surrey County Hospital
York Hospital
Walsall: Manor Hospital
Royal Wolverhampton Hospital
Royal Blackburn Hospital
Mid-Essex, Chelmsford: Broomfield Hospital
Royal Shrewsbury Hospital
Musgrove Park Hospital
Colchester Hospital
Hertfordshire: Mount Vernon Cancer Centre
Colchester Hospital
Sunderland Royal Hospital
Chesterfield Royal Hospital
Northwick Park Hospital, London
St George's Hospital, London

SITES AWAITING R&D APPROVAL

London: St Mary's (Thyroid Clinic),
Cheltenham General Hospital, Gloucestershire
Royal Hospital
Hull & East Yorkshire: Castle Hill Hospital
Lincoln County Hospital
Norwich and Norfolk University Hospital
Oxford University Hospital

SITES PREPARING FOR / IN R&D SUBMISSION

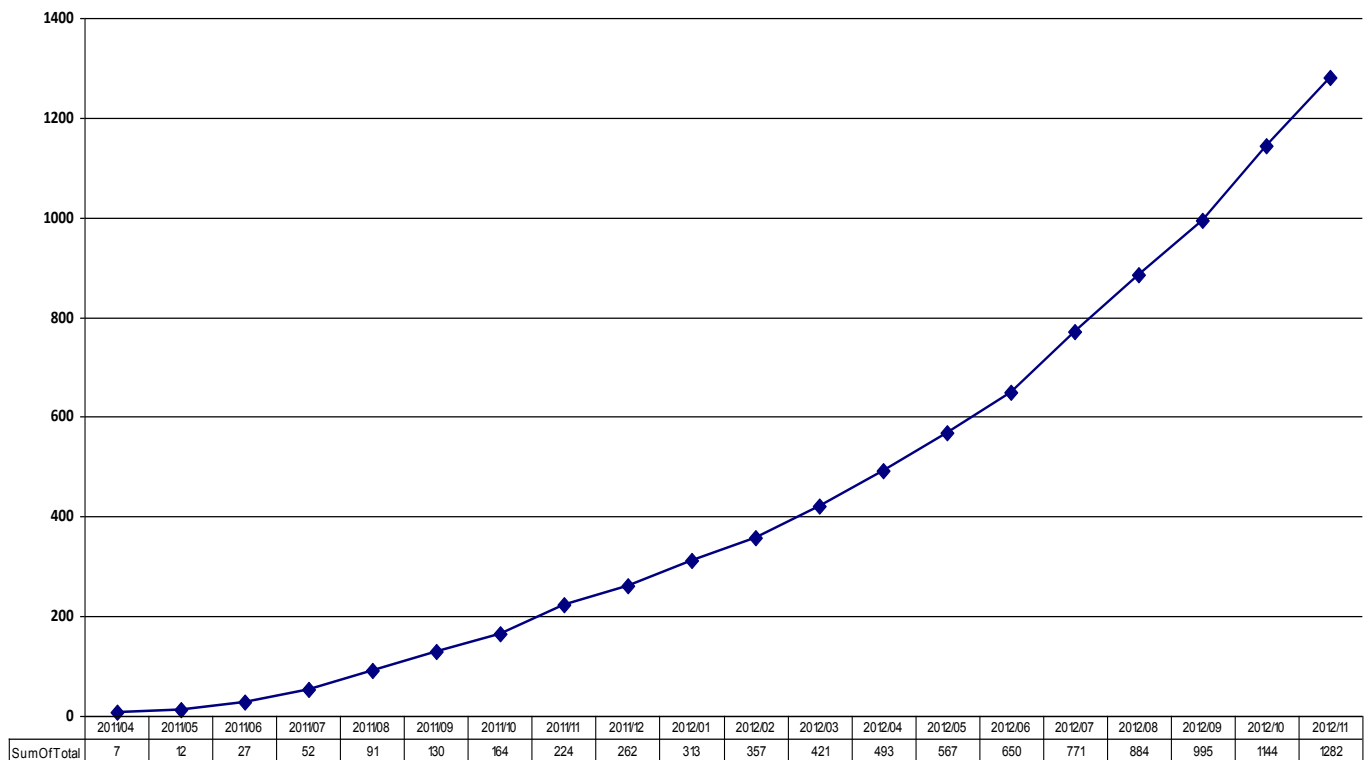
Northampton General Hospital
Southampton General Hospital
Glasgow
Newcastle: Freeman Hospital
Rotherham
Plymouth: Derriford Hospital
Hereford, Macmillan Renton Unit
Royal Berkshire
Lister Hospital (East and North Herts)
Birmingham (Heartlands)
Birmingham Queen Elizabeth Hospital

SITES EXPRESSED INTEREST

Swansea, Morriston Hospital
Grimsby, Princess of Wales Hospital
Kent & Medway
Royal Devon & Exeter
Harlow: Princess Alexandra Hospital
Cornwall: Royal Cornwall Hospital
Wigan
Chase Farm
(Middlesex)
Barts
Guys
Milton Keynes
Cumberland



Number of patients recruited at the end of November 2012



We are now recruiting approximately 150 patients per month and with more sites coming on board we expect this number to rise in the next few months.

Keep up the hard work!

Study news



Regular feedback—we have a New Year's resolution!! We are going to send regular feedback about recruitment to all study sites so get ready to receive the first of our monthly reports at end of January!!!

ICD codes—Data capture forms are being returned thick and fast but please can we ask you to enter the exact ICD code on the form? For example if the diagnosis is C04 "Malignant neoplasm of floor of mouth" we need to know whether it is C04.0 (anterior floor of mouth) or C04.1 (lateral floor of mouth).

Tissue samples— when returning samples please will you make sure you return tissue blocks and not slides: as we only have funds for tissue blocks. Slides will not be reimbursed. The Standards of Practice have been amended to clarify this and other issues and a letter with this information and more is currently winging its way to you!!

Ethics amendments— we need to make a few changes (mostly minor) to the study forms and questionnaires and so we're planning to submit an amendment to ethics for approval in the new year; once we've submitted the amendment we'll be in touch to let you about the proposed changes

Grant extension—(When) will it ever end? Currently, the study is funded to continue recruiting until December 2013; however, thanks to all of your hard work recruitment is running well and we are now confident that, with a grant extension to go through to December 2014, we'll be able to meet the 5000 target! We will let you know whether we have been successful as soon as we hear.

With all best wishes for 2013 from the study team!