

headandneck
5000

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WELCOME TO NEW SITES



Congratulations to newly open PORTSMOUTH and YORK who have recruited their first patients in March

We are now achieving approximately 50 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

Andy Ness is a Professor of Epidemiology and Chief Investigator on Head and Neck 5000. He trained in Medicine at Nottingham and completed his PhD at Cambridge . He has been in Bristol for the last 15 years. He has two children William and Lydia aged 16 and 13 who live with him half the time. He enjoys reading and has been in a book club for the last nine years. He used to enjoy cycling until he completed the ride from Land's End to John O'Groats!



Well done to The Christie Hospital for sending in 100% of the Pathology forms with the tissue samples!



Substantial Amendment 4 and Substantial Amendment 5 have received REC approval and are now in circulation via CSP. Please ensure that you are using the latest versions of the paperwork.

H&N5000 website: www.headandneck5000.org.uk

Important things to remember

It is very important that the patient number is recorded on each page of the questionnaires, I 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.

It has been noticed that the sexual history questionnaire is not being completed and returned as much as we would like. This is a very important part of the study as the link between HPV virus and oral health requires further research

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.

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 initials only

Please follow H&N5000 tissue collection SOP

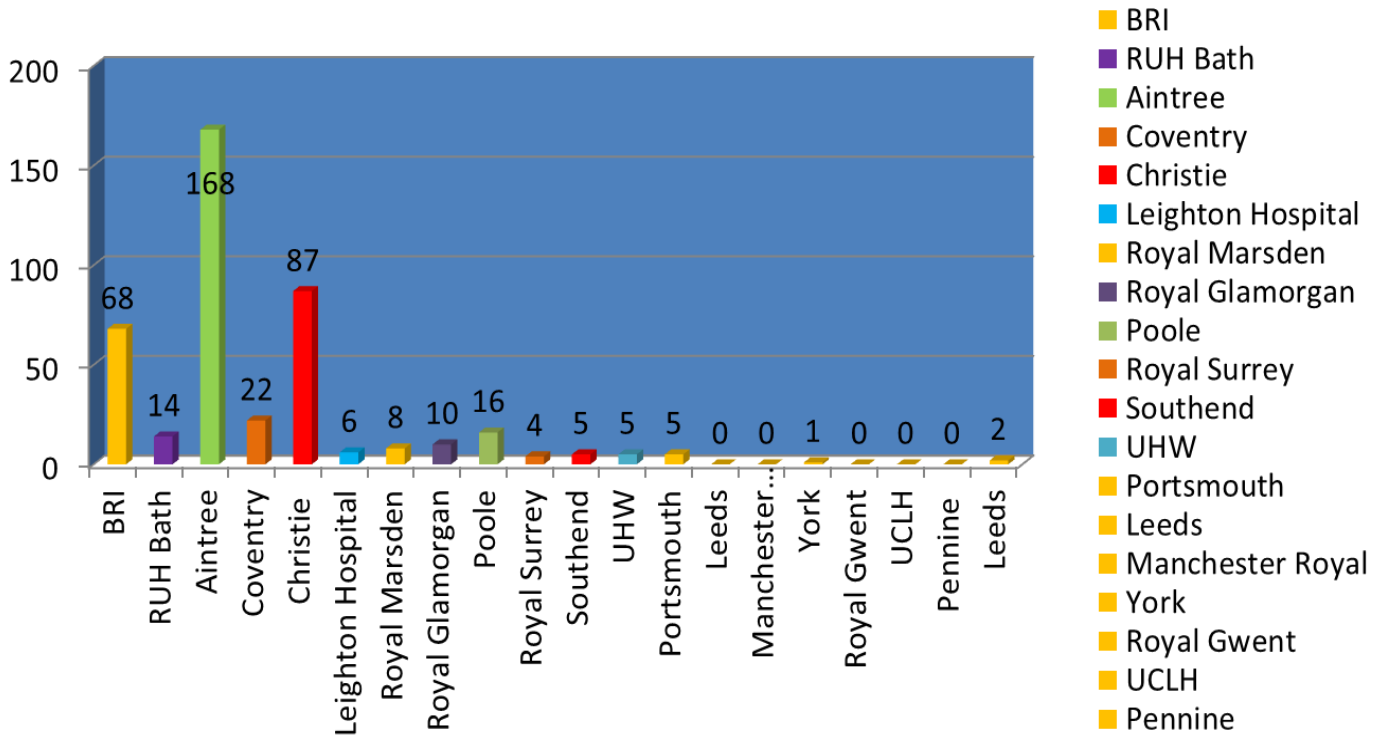
HeadandNeck5000 Workshop 2012

We are planning a workshop later this year for Principal Investigators and Research Nurses. This will provide a platform for study personnel to discuss the study and any issues.

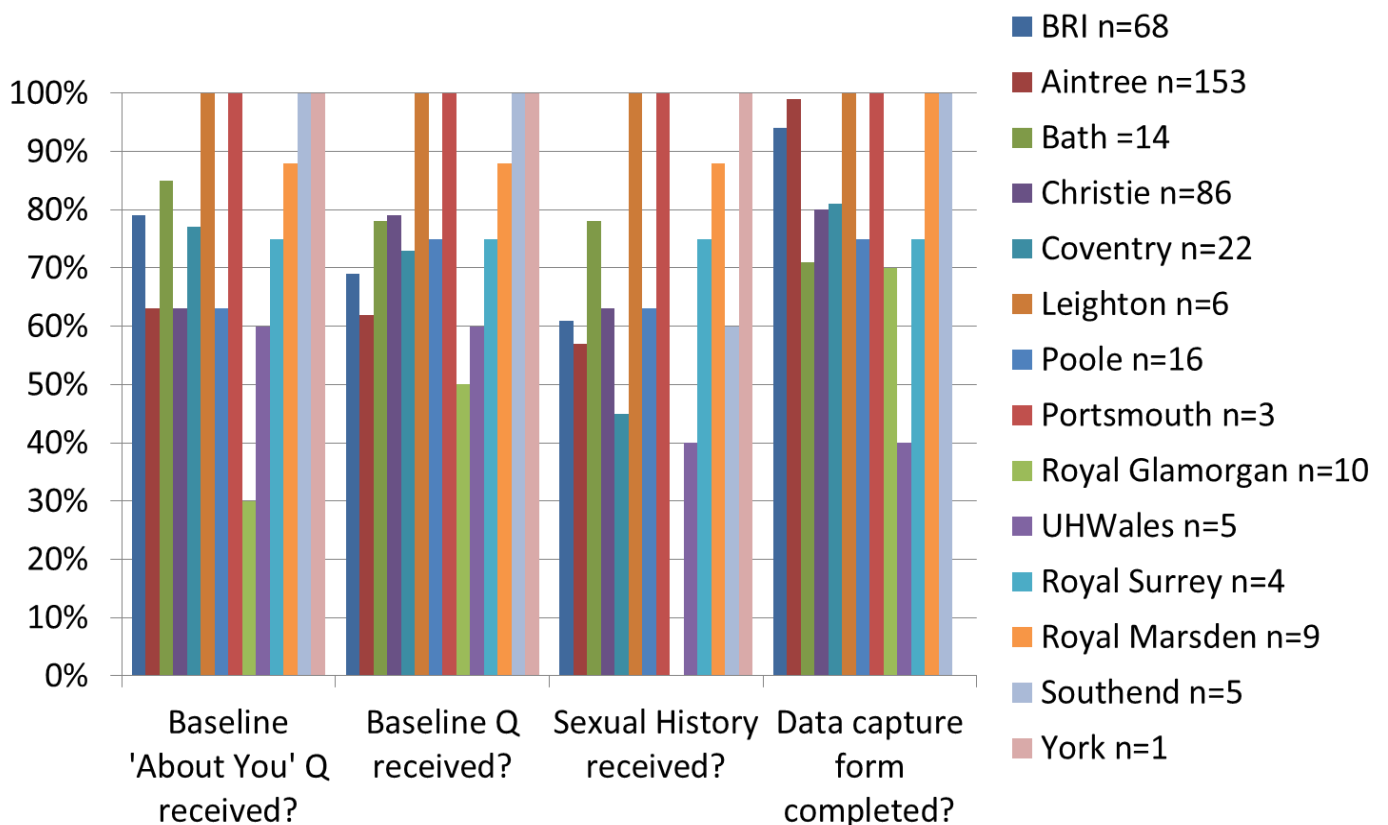
The date and venue will be circulated soon.

Currently 20 sites are open and 421 patients have been recruited. 5 sites have local R&D approval and will be open to recruitment following their site initiation visit. 10 sites are currently awaiting local R&D approval. 14 sites are preparing for local R&D submission. **12 further sites have expressed interest!**

PATIENTS RECRUITED TO END MARCH 2012 = 421



RESPONSE RATE QUESTIONNAIRES %



Open Sites

Bristol Royal Infirmary	RUH Bath	Aintree	Christie	Leighton
Royal Glamorgan	Coventry	Poole	Royal Marsden	Royal Surrey,
University Hospital Wales	Southend	UCLH London	Royal Gwent	Manchester Royal Infirmary
Pennine	Portsmouth	Leeds	York	Portsmouth

Awaiting Site Initiation Visit

North Bristol	Walsall	Durham & Darlington
Bradford	South Tees	Royal Sussex (Brighton)

Awaiting R&D Approval

RUH		I Bristol		Bath
Aintree	Mid Essex	Imperial College Charing Cross	Northwick Park Hospital	
Christie	Chesterfield	Luton & Dunstable	Mount Vernon	
Coventry	Royal Wolverhampton	Sheffield	Doncaster	Hospital Glamor-
Leighton		Nottingham,		ity Hos-
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pital				
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Preparing Submission

Lincoln County	Oxford	Northampton	Sunderland
St Georges	Colchester	Preston	Scunthorpe
Addenbrookes	Norfolk and Norwich	Southampton	

Expressed Interest

Gloucester	Grimsby	Kent & Medway	Newcastle	Harlow
Plymouth	Shrewsbury	Devon & Exeter	Hull & East Yorkshire	Cornwall
	Taunton	Wigan	Swansea	