

Newsletter No. 9 Autumn 2014

headandneck  
5000

5000 patients

A huge thank you to everyone working on the study  
for getting us this far.

We have 5000 patients but we are still recruiting more!!  
Amendment 8 has been approved by the  
Ethics Committee which means recruitment will continue  
to the 31st December. This will give us enough patients to  
cover those that have withdrawn or were ineligible so that  
we have a true 5000 at the end of recruitment.

**Well done to all those sites that have recruited over  
100 patients**

Aintree

Christie

Bristol

Poole

Portsmouth

North Manchester

Coventry

St Georges

Southend

Sheffield

York

Imperial

Leeds

Royal Surrey

Shrewsbury

Royal Sussex

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## **A quick reminder regarding the 12 Month DCFs:**

Please try to get as much of the 12 month data as you can as it is vital to the study.

If your patient is having their 12 month follow up at a different hospital please try to find out where this is, as one of our teams may be able to help you with data collection.

Remember, if someone dies between month 4 and month 12 we still need a month 12 DCF as well as the mortality form.

B1, B2 & B3: The month 12 DCF is asking for information on treatments that started between month 5 and month 12. Treatments starting before this period should be recorded on the month 4 DCF.

B2: If a patient is only having out patient follow up then this should be recorded as 'J: Active Monitoring'.

B5: If there has been no new staging since baseline then there is no need to repeat the staging from diagnosis. In this section record any new staging in patients whose tumour has not been removed.

## **TNM staging**

The correct and full baseline TNM staging is vital. If you are unable to find the information in the patients notes or the MDT records, please ask the patients consultant or other members of the clinical team as they will be able to help you.