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Recruitment Data:

Randomised Patients

Total: 35

Airedale (Yorkshire) 1
Guy's & St Thomas' (London) 2
Kings College (London) 1
Ninewells Hospital (Dundee) 1
Royal Hallamshire (Sheffield) 6
St George's (London) 21
Western General (Edinburgh) 3

Welcome to our last CADISS newsletter for 2008. We wish you a joyous festive season and a very happy new year!

12 Active Centres Aboard

We are pleased to announce that another **7 centres** have re-joined CADISS:

1. Derriford Hospital
2. Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital
3. Royal Hallamshire Hospital
4. University Hospital Coventry
5. Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals
6. Doncaster Royal Infirmary
7. Worthing and Southlands Hospitals

Thank you to all the research teams that have worked to make this happen. There are many more centres nearing activation and if you are trying to get reinstated please do not hesitate to contact us.

Recruitment Update

We have now randomised 35 patients to CADISS and an additional 4 patients to the non-randomised arm. Congratulations to Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital for recruiting their first patients.

Although we are recruiting patients we are a little behind our target. We hope the newly activated centres will start recruiting soon.

News from the CADISS Investigators' Meeting

As most of you are probably aware, we held a successful CADISS Investigators' Meeting at the UK Stroke Forum. There was a full room and we thank those who took the time to join us.

A few points that arose were:

- (1) Confirmation of imaging required at entry and follow-up; it is possible to randomise patients using Doppler but this needs to be confirmed by MRA/CTA or fat-suppressed MRI;
- (2) The number of recruiting centres has reached 12 and another 16 centres are awaiting final approval from pharmacy;
- (3) Strategies for improving recruitment were discussed. We have also decided to try to extend the study to European centres and this is currently being explored;
- (4) Any queries raised by R&D departments, please contact your local Stroke Research Network to help facilitate CADISS approvals