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Recruitment Data

Randomised Patients

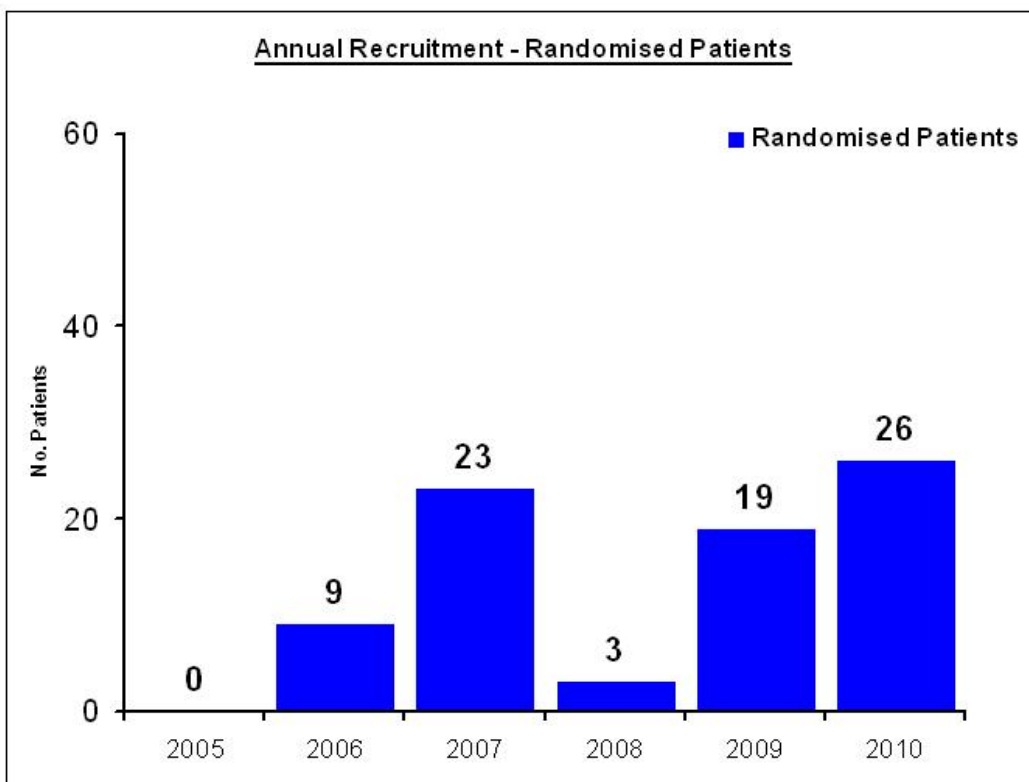
Total: 80
Aberdeen Royal Infirmary - 1
Aintree Hospital - 3
Airedale (Yorkshire) - 2
Brighton - 1
Freeman Hospital - 1
Guy's & St Thomas' - 3
King's College - 1
Leicester - 1
Musgrove Park - 1
Ninewells Hospital - 1
QEQM - 1
Royal Cornwall - 1
Royal Devon & Exeter - 3
Royal Hallamshire - 7
Royal London - 1
Southampton 2
Southend - 3
St George's - 38
Watford - 5
Western General (Edinburgh) - 3
Yeovil District Hospital 1

80 Randomised Patients!

Many thanks to those centres who have recruited in July, namely, the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, St. George's University of London and Watford General Hospital.

Since the last newsletter in March we have also welcomed on board the Royal United Hospital in Bath and King's College, London have also been reactivated. Best of luck with recruitment!

Recruitment Figures (as of 1st August 2010)



Closure of the Non-Randomised Arm

As you know, the non-randomised arm of the study has now been closed. We finished with a total of 89 patients in this arm. Thank you to all centres who have recruited into this arm since the start of the study. We will continue to follow these patients until 12 months.

As the non-randomised arm has now closed, we are hoping this will give all centres time to focus on recruitment into the randomised arm of the study. If there is anything we can do to help with recruitment and/or help raise the profile of the study, please let us know and we will endeavour to help. As the recruitment graph shows, 2010 has been the best year for recruitment into the randomised arm and we are seeing more and more centres recruiting their first patient. Let's keep up the momentum and end the year as well as it has started.

Participating Centres

- 1) Aberdeen Royal Infirmary
- 2) Aintree University Hospital
- 3) Airedale
- 4) Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals
- 5) Charing Cross Hospital
- 6) Derriford Hospital
- 7) Doncaster Royal Infirmary
- 8) Freeman Hospital
- 9) Frenchay Hospital
- 10) Guy's & St Thomas'
- 11) Harrogate and District Hospitals
- 12) John Radcliffe Hospital
- 13) Musgrove Park Hospital
- 14) Ninewells Hospital
- 15) Pinderfields General Hospital
- 16) Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother
- 17) Royal Cornwall
- 18) Royal Devon & Exeter
- 19) Royal Hallamshire
- 20) Royal London Hospital
- 21) Royal United Hospital
- 22) Salford Royal Hospitals
- 23) Southampton General Hospital
- 24) Southend University Hospital
- 25) St Mary's Hospital
- 26) St George's Hospital
- 27) The Walton Centre
- 28) Torbay Hospital
- 29) University Hospital Leicester
- 30) Watford General Hospital
- 31) William Harvey Hospital
- 32) Worthing & Southlands Hospital
- 33) Yeovil District Hospital

The CADISS Study is still looking for new centres who are likely to be high recruiters. If you know of any interested centres, please refer them to the CADISS website for more information (www.dissection.co.uk) Alternatively, please refer them to the CADISS Coordinator, Cara Hicks.

Hints and Tips for Completion of the Randomised Entry Form

The majority of data queries generated for the CADISS Study result from incomplete or incorrect completion of the randomised entry form. Below you will find a list of hints and tips that should help to reduce the number of queries raised on a monthly basis:

- 1) Please ensure that you complete Version 7.0 of the randomised entry form. This form can be found online on the CADISS website: www.dissection.co.uk. Alternatively, you can contact the CADISS Study Coordinator who will be able to send you a copy of the entry form.
- 2) When sending the entry form to the CADISS Office, please ensure you have completed both the entry form and the treatment allocation form.
- 3) Please ensure that the Investigator name on the top of the entry form is the name of the PI at your centre.
- 4) Please ensure an onset date is added to every sign and symptom that is ticked "yes."
- 5) Please provide as much information as possible in the "synopsis" section. This section should not be left blank.
- 6) Please enter a cholesterol value for all patients entered into the study irrespective of whether the patient has treated or untreated hyperlipidaemia.
- 7) If the patient does drink alcohol, please record the number of units consumed per week.
- 8) Ensure that a blood pressure reading is taken and recorded on the entry form.
- 9) An essential part of the study is looking at antiplatelet and anticoagulant treatment prior to randomization. Please ensure the drug, dose and start date for all treatments are entered.
- 10) Please ensure you send a copy of the informed consent form, patient contact information sheet and GP contact Sheet to the CADISS Office at the same time as you send the entry forms.
- 11) St. George's are responsible for the telephone follow-up calls with all patients at six and twelve months. As the patients enrolled in the CADISS Study tend to be fairly mobile it is essential that we collect as much contact information as possible. Please try and collect a home number **and** a mobile number if possible. We also ask that the next of kin lives at a different address from the patient to increase the chances of contacting the patients after six and twelve months.
- 12) If any items are changed or crossed out, please ensure that the changes are signed and dated.

New Coordinator Cara : What you need to know!



As this is my first newsletter, I thought I would take this opportunity to introduce myself. I have now been in post for over three months and have been made to feel very welcome by you all. Prior to working at St. George's, I was working for a Clinical Research Organisation called PAREXEL as a CRA. Outside of work I enjoy travelling, baking and socialising with friends. I will be attending a number of the Stroke Research Network meetings throughout the UK in the coming months so do come and introduce yourself so I can put a face to the name.