



British Antibiotic & Silver Impregnated Catheters for Ventriculoperitoneal Shunts Trial



October 2015 - Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to the AUTUMN Newsletter — Hi All, welcome to the BASICS AUTUMN newsletter! As always thank you all for your continued support and enthusiasm with the study. Everybody's dedication can be seen in the high recruitment figures we have maintained again this month!!!

Recruiting Sites -

We have recently opened our last recruiting site to the study. Royal Victoria Infirmary in Newcastle! Please join us in welcoming Damian Holliman and his research team. This brings our total number of sites to 19!

WELL DONE on another great month with **43** participants being recruited this bring the total number of recruits to **882!!!!**

Site	Date opened	Consent Rate %	Total Participants
Alder Hey Children's Hospital	Jun 13	84.4%	70
The Walton Centre	Jul 13	91.6%	97
Southampton	Jul 13	78.3%	125
Leeds	Apr 14	77.8%	30
Addenbrookes	Jan 14	67.2%	39
GOSH	Oct 13	62.9%	45
Nottingham	Nov 13	79.8%	90
Birmingham children's	Dec 13	55.3%	23
Sheffield Children's	Nov 13	62.8%	24
Royal Manchester Children	Mar 14	80%	29
Salford Royal	Oct 13	70%	34
Bristol	Jun 14	98.1%	108
Kings	Sep 14	85.7%	25
Edinburgh	Oct 14	87.5%	12
Cardiff	Apr 14	86.9%	52
Dublin	Feb 15	82.4%	25
James Cook (Middlesbrough)	Jan 15	100%	12
Queens Square	Apr 15	100%	11
Royal Victoria Infirmary (Newcastle)	Oct 15	n/a	n/a

Point to remember —!!!!!!

An issue has been raised regarding CSF sampling during insertion and first revision. All sites should be taking at least a clinical sample at VP shunt insertion. This is good practice.

Sub Study Sites —

If the patient has consented to sub study involvement, these samples should endeavour to be collected where possible at insertion as well as

PROTOCOL

All sites should now be working from the newest version of the study protocol **V8.0** dated **10/08/15**. Please ensure all previous versions are superseded and current version is filed in your site file.

DATES:

The last date for recruitment into the study will be **31/08/16** with follow up continuing until **02/2017**. Please keep a record of these dates for your own files.

Special Note -

We held our second annual BASICS research nurses on 10th September. This was a success again and was so nice for us all to get together and compare hints and tips. If you raised a query at this meeting for follow up and have not had this, please do contact either Tom or Jane as soon as possible.

