

## PREVENTT News

Welcome to the April newsletter. The PREVENTT team hope you all have had an enjoyable bank holiday weekend.

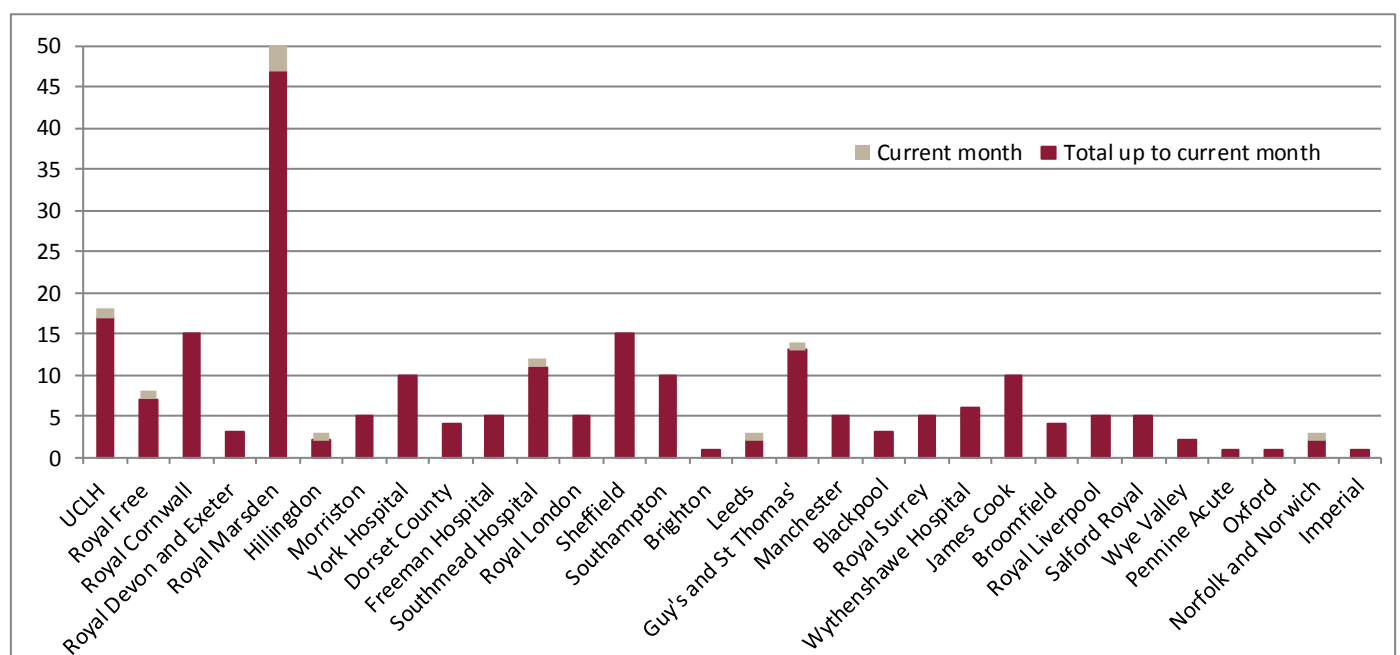
March has been a very busy month for the team as the 40th site initiation visit was completed at Russells Hall Hospital in Dudley. Welcome to Stephen Jenkins and the team. The trial also opened to recruitment at Royal Infirmary Edinburgh. A meeting was held for our Manchester sites on 16th March at Royal Oldham Hospital. This was a great opportunity to meet with the teams at Royal Oldham, Central Manchester and Salford Royal again and it identified some key ways that the project management team can support sites as well as opportunities for local collaboration. There are plans to hold similar meetings in London and details will be sent round to sites soon.

At the start of the month, Anna Butcher, the new clinical research fellow joined the team from Australia. Welcome to Anna and over the next few months, she will be in touch with many sites either by phone or in person.

The Data Safety and Monitoring Committee and Trial Steering Committee also met during March. These were productive meetings where both the safety and the progress of the trial were carefully reviewed.

## PREVENTT Recruitment – 234 Patients Randomised!

March was the best month for recruitment during 2016 with 11 patients randomised. This is above our new monthly target of 10 patients and it is fantastic that we have managed to reach this. Overall, eight sites recruited in to the trial and King's College Hospital recruited their first patient. Top recruiter for March was the Royal Marsden with three patients recruited.



## Congratulations!

This month, a big congratulations goes to Ravi Raobaikady, Ethel Black, Sham Jhanji and all the team at the Royal Marsden who recruited their 50th patient. This is a great achievement and all your hard work and support for the trial is appreciated. The PREVENTT team hope you enjoyed your celebratory cake!

*Left Dr. Maria Koutra, Dr. Helen Lawrence, Ethel Black and Dr Ravi Raobaikady*



*Above: Dr. Shaman Jhanji, Dr. Nathan Kasivisvanathan, Ethel Black and Dr. Katrina Pirie*

### PREVENTT Patient Payments

All sites receive £250 per patient randomised into the trial plus additional funding to cover the costs of dispensing the drug and pharmacy set up. Funding is also available to cover the costs of the saline for the placebo arm and this will be reimbursed to sites at the end of the trial.

On a quarterly basis, all sites have been sent details outlining what can be invoiced for. Please ensure that you are regularly invoicing for the money available to you as this can be used to help cover nursing and drug costs locally. If you need any further details about what is outstanding at your site or if you have any questions about this process, please contact Becky Swinson ([Rebecca.swinson@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:Rebecca.swinson@lshtm.ac.uk))

### PREVENTT Raffle Winner

Congratulations to Cheryl Messer, Neil Verma, Mariam Nassari, Polly Needs and the team at Hillingdon Hospital who are the winners of this month's box of chocolates! Thank you to the team for their ongoing support for the trial. Another prize is up for grabs in April so please keep screening and randomising patients. Remember that there is a surprise gift for all open sites when the 250th PREVENTT patient is recruited!

### Meet the PREVENTT Team

#### This month: Anna Butcher, Research Fellow

Anna is a specialty paediatric registrar from Queensland, Australia. She is our newest member of the team, joining us in March 2016 to further her career in clinical research. She graduated from Bond University in 2011 with an MBBS and was awarded her PhD in Cardiovascular pharmacology in 2012. Her main interests include both adult and paediatric cardiovascular pharmacology, physiology and haematology. Over the next few months, Anna will be starting to get in touch with all our sites and will be providing support for clinical and eligibility queries as well as supporting sites with recruitment.



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