

NEWSLETTER

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222 patients recruited

53 sites open to recruitment

Recruitment

Registration patients **121**
VEPEMB study patients **101**

Sites

Sites with full approval **53**
Sites awaiting R&D approval **3**

Europe

Cologne registered
57 patients

Thanks to your support of the SHIELD Study, it is now the largest Hodgkin's lymphoma study in the elderly. **We now need your help to ensure that the data on the eCRF system are up to date and accurate, so that we have all possible information available to us to address our research hypothesis fully.**

The handbook for completion of the eCRF is available at www.shieldstudy.co.uk - please refer to it, and feel free to contact us at the Newcastle Study Centre at any time for assistance.

Make sure that all adverse events are logged (see the study protocol for definitions), and that the relevant blood samples are provided to Newcastle University, before treatment begins, along with a copy of the patient's Histology report to enable us to obtain histological material for central pathology review.

Please ask patients to complete Quality of Life questionnaires before and after treatment, and at two and five years post-treatment. This is particularly important now that we have reached the end of the recruitment period.

As always, elderly Hodgkin's lymphoma patients who are too frail for the VEPEMB treatment should be consented and registered on the database.

We are relying on you to provide post-recruitment period data to make our study as comprehensive and useful as possible. Many thanks for your assistance so far, and keep up the good work!

UK RECRUITMENT AS AT 22 JUNE 2009

HOSPITAL	VEPEMB Patients	Registration Patients	HOSPITAL	VEPEMB Patients	Registration Patients
Aberdeen Royal Infirmary	5	10	Royal Bournemouth Hospital	2	1
Barnet General and Chase Farm Hospital	1	0	Royal Cornwall Hospital, Truro	3	0
Bradford Royal Infirmary	3	0	Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield	5	1
Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle	1	0	Royal Liverpool Hospital	2	2
Harrogate District Hospital	1	0	Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle	12	2
Kent and Canterbury Hospital	1	0	Southampton General Hospital	5	0
Kettering General Hospital	0	4	South Tyneside District Hospital	2	0
Leeds General Infirmary	0	1	Stafford Hospital	4	1
Manchester Royal Infirmary	1	0	Sunderland Royal Hospital	7	5
Medway Maritime Hospital, Gillingham	5	1	The Christie Hospital	1	7
Monklands Hospital, Airdrie	1	1	The Ipswich Hospital	0	3
Mount Vernon Hospital, Middlesex	4	4	The James Cook University Hospital	3	2
Northampton General Hospital	2	1	Trafford General Hospital	1	0
North Hampshire Hospital	1	0	University College London	0	1
North Tyneside General Hospital	1	0	University Hospital of North Durham	1	0
Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	1	2	Victoria Hospital, Blackpool	6	0
Poole Hospital	2	0	Wansbeck General Hospital, Ashington	1	0
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Gateshead	3	0	West Cumberland Hospital, Whitehaven	5	1
Raigmore Hospital, Inverness	2	1	Western General Hospital, Edinburgh	0	7
Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley	0	1	Western Infirmary, Glasgow	2	2
University of Cologne	0	57	Wishaw General Hospital	4	0
			York District Hospital	0	3

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