NEWSLETTER

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END OF YEAR REPORT: RECRUITMENT AHEAD OF TARGET

Dear Collaborators,

As we come to the end of 2011, we can reflect on what an amazing year it has been for our trial. Last year, 784 women were randomised, whereas in 2011 about 1,650 have been randomised so far. The trial is progressing extremely well and recruitment is ahead of current target. We are all working well together on the WOMAN trial to make a difference to the health and wellbeing of women. Whatever the results of the trial – if we can randomise and follow up 15,000 women, ensuring throughout that the data are accurate and that we protect patient safety, we will have succeeded. If we find that treatment with tranexamic acid improves outcomes for women with PPH, this will be a major medical advance.

However, we cannot afford to take it easy. We still have the majority of recruitment ahead of us. We need hundreds of new hospitals and must do everything we can to ensure all eligible women are recruited in the hospitals already in the trial. We need your help to ensure we stay on target. Thanks to your hard work we are successful already, but there is still some way to go. We wish you all success in the coming year.

Haleema and Ian

on behalf of your Trial Coordinating Team

ACHIEVEMENTS

The teams featured here have made an excellent contribution to the trial so far – many congratulations and warmest thanks to all!

100 PATIENTS



FMC Katsina, Nigeria PI Babasola Okusanya



Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital, Nigeria PI Felix Okogbo

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FMC Gusau, Nigeria, PI Kamil Shoretire

Lagos Island Maternity Hospital, Nigeria, PI Arafat Ifemeje



University College Hospital Ibadan, Nigeria, PI Oladapo Olayemi

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Nottingham University Hospitals joined the trial in August 2011 and have already recruited 44 participants. This is more than we anticipated, but we are a big unit – 10,000 births annually across the two campuses, Queens Medical Centre and City Hospital. Staff have been interested and enthusiastic. All participants have been recruited with waived consent, although nearly all also had the opportunity to decline.

A few staff have needed reassurance that waived consent is ethically acceptable, and we have had regular meetings to discuss these issues.

We survived our first inspection visit in December without any serious problems – a credit to the CLRN team, picture here. The picture above is slightly out of date because, partly due to our success with the WOMAN trial, we have just appointed six new research midwives using CLRN funding. We will ensure they are all in next year's picture!

Jim Thornton

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FMC Lokoja, Nigeria, PI Onile Temitope



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Delta State University Teaching Hospital, Nigeria, PI Lawrence Omo-Aghoja



University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Nigeria, PI Olatunde Onafowokan



Kumba District Referral Hospital, Cameroon, PI Etienne Asonganyi Defang Ngunyi Picture taken at the trial team's Christmas party!

Mother & Child Hospital Akure, Nigeria, PI Adesina Akintan

PI, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

POINTS TO DISCUSS WITH YOUR TEAM Randomisation by site Ashanti Mampong Hospital, Ghana Chipata General Hospital, Zambia **DATA MATTERS** Shalamar Hospital, Pakistan Soba University Hospital, Sudan Mian Mohammad Trust Hospital, Pakista Komfo Anokye TH, Ghana ❖ If you send data on paper forms rather than uploading via the website, do Omdurman Maternity Hospital, Sudan remember to send the entry forms to us as soon as possible after Fundacion Valle del Lili, Colombia Jos UTH, Nigeria Regional Hospital Fier, Albania FMC Owerri, Nigeria **NEW SITES** randomisation, ideally within 24 hours. This way we can keep up with the total recruitment numbers and also your drug stock - very important! **NEEDED** Sa'a District Hospital, Cameroor UH of the West Indies, Jamaica Uyo UTH, Nigeria FMC Ido-Ekiti, Nigeria National Hospital Abuja, Nigeria Please let your Please remember to answer EVERY question on the entry and outcome forms. A blank field does not equal NO or ZERO - we need to see the zero! obstetric colleagues Make sure that the patient details on the entry and outcome forms are iverpool Women's Hospital, UK in other hospitals Dschang District Hospital, Cameroon Ahmadu Bello UTH, Nigeria Centre Hosp et Univ Yaounde, Cameroor identical. This is used as independent verification that the patient is the same know about the trial person on both forms. Queen's Medical Centre Nottingham, Uk - there is still the City Hospital Nottingham, UK FMC Birnin-Kebbi, Nigeria FMC Makurdi, Nigeria Obafemi Awolowo UTH, Nigeria opportunity to join As the time to discharge is usually very short, please remember to complete this global effort. the outcome form at discharge (or transfer or death). If you leave it until much Kogi State Specialist Hospital, Nigeria later the medical records will be much harder to retrieve. ajshahi MCH, Bangladesh LAUTECH, Nigeria Maitama District Hospital, Nigeria Nnamdi Azikiwe UTH, Nigeria Please let us know of any errors on the data forms as soon as you discover Maiduguri UTH, Nigeria Maluguri OTTI, Nigeria Holy Family Hospital, Pakistan Regional Hospital Limbe, Cameroon Nepal Medical College TH, Nepal t is very important that the packs are used in numerical order, as indicated by the arrow inside the lid of the box. This will make sure that the Adeoyo Maternity Hospital, Nigeria Ad-din Women's Hospital, Bangladesh Lagos State UTH, Nigeria randomisation code is followed strictly. .agos State UTH, Nigeria FMC Abeokuta, Nigeria Dbs&Gyn UTH K Gliozheni, Alba On an upbeat note, the overall standard of the data is very good, so thanks FMC Azare, Nigeria UTH Lusaka, Zambia to all with timely follow-up and prompt responses to queries. We are here to help resolve the issues. MC Lokoja, Nigeria agos Island Maternity Hospital, Nigeria Delta State UTH, Nigeria Kumba District Hospital, Cam **BEST MONTHLY AVERAGE (> 7)** • BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Nepal Abuja UTH, Nigeria University of Calabar Teaching Hospital, Nigeria lopital Laquintinie de Douala, Cameroor • Mother & Child Hospital Akure, Nigeria Mother & Child Hospital Akure, Nigeria • Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital, Ghana **CONGRATULATIONS!** BP Koirala Inst of Health Sciences, Nepal Recruitment to October 2011 Ghana 2000 Colombia Sudan 1500 Jamaica | Pakistan III Actual 1000 Zambia 🔤 Albania 🔤 Target

UK 🔤

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Bangladesh Nepal Cameroon Nigeria



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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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1200

1400

If you are planning to attend a conference or a meeting related to maternal health and would be willing to give a presentation or submit an abstract or poster about the WOMAN trial, please let us know. We can help you with the materials and send you leaflets to include in conference packs etc.

We need to Spread the word any way we can!

