

RESEARCH UPDATE

PRIORITY STUDY

EUDRAGENE (NIHR CRN ID: 4412)

The main aim of this observational, case-controlled study is to investigate the pharmacogenetics of selected adverse drug reactions, with current priority given to statin induced myopathy, liver injury and Steven Johnsons Syndrome. Each practice is only expected to recruit 1 - 3 patients to this study due to the strict inclusion criteria.

We are looking to recruit as many practices as possible within all PCRN N&Y areas; NTW, NEYNL, WY and CDTV.

This issue includes:

- Studies currently open
- Studies opening soon
- Studies now closed

For more information about any of the studies included in this booklet please contact the PCRN N&Y office on 01642 615600 or email: enquiries@nyren.co.uk

Studies currently open

Early Arthritis: A coordinated programme for improving the outcome of very early inflammatory arthritis (NIHR CRN ID: 2848)

The study aims to see if we could identify patients in the pre-clinical phase of RA by performing an anti-CCP antibody test in patients presenting with non-specific musculoskeletal complaints. Patients referred by GP and other health professionals who are found to be anti-CCP positive will be followed-up prospectively for 12 months in order to see which percentage will develop an inflammatory arthritis. Patient with a negative anti-CCP will be contacted by post at one year to query about an eventual diagnosis. **We are looking for patients ≥18 years old with any new musculoskeletal complaint (not thought to be inflammatory arthritis). This study is open in WY and will be coming soon to NEYNL.**

ACUDEP - Acupuncture, counselling and usual GP care for depression in primary care (NIHR CRN ID: 7716). This is a randomised controlled trial to evaluate effectiveness and cost effectiveness. We are still looking for more sites in **CDTV and NEYNL. Please contact us if you are interested.**

Does Chronic Exercise Improve NO Bioavailability in Post-menopausal Women with Type 2 Diabetes? (NIHR CRN ID: 8012) After matching for body composition, years post menopause and CAD risk factors participants will be randomized into an exercise or control group. All participants will attend Leeds University for assessment then undergo a programme of cardio-respiratory exercise training or non-exercising control period for 6 months following which all assessments will be repeated. Due to the intervention participants need to be able / willing to travel to Leeds University for 2 visits. **Open in WY.**

Studies opening soon

VenUS IV (Venous leg Ulcer Study IV): A randomised controlled trial of compression hosiery versus compression bandaging in the treatment of venous leg ulcers. **This study will be open to recruitment in all PCRN N&Y areas; NTW, NEYNL, WY and CDTV.** For more information please see HTA website: <http://www.hta.ac.uk/1766>

Past BP (NIHR CRN ID: 5987)

A randomised controlled trial of an intensive BP target group versus a standard BP target group. The aim of the study is to determine whether more intensive BP targets for people who have had a stroke or transient ischaemic attack can be achieved in a primary care setting, and whether more intensive therapy is associated with adverse effects on quality of life.

This study will be open to recruitment in all PCRN N&Y Areas.

3C – Cough Complications

This is an observational cohort study which aims to find out what symptoms, measurements and characteristics can be used to predict which patients with a cough and suspected lower respiratory tract infection (LRTI) go on to develop complications, i.e. pneumonia severe enough to require hospitalisation.

Studies now closed

NGPSE National General Practice of Epilepsy and Epileptic Seizures (NIHR CRN ID: 6865)

The PCRN N&Y Team sincerely thank everybody concerned for their involvement in bringing this study to a conclusion.

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