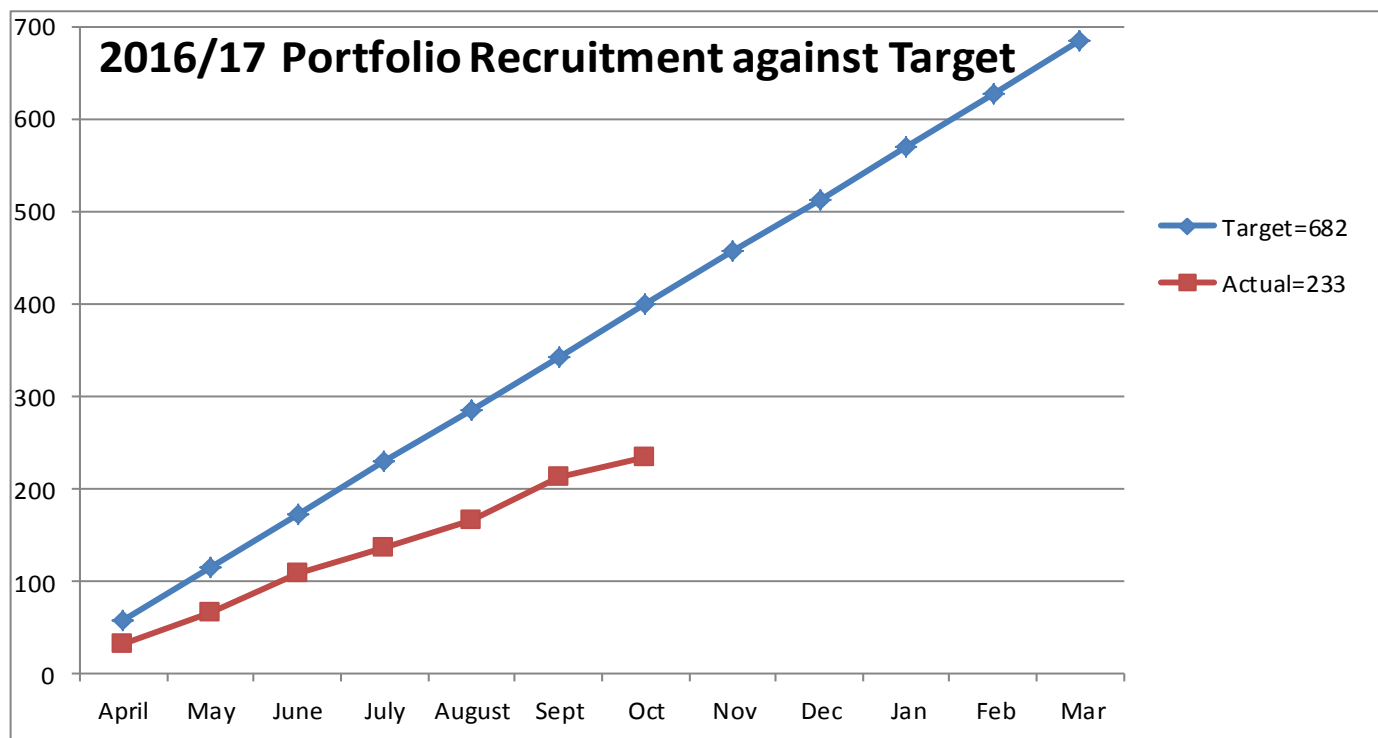


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RECRUITMENT 2016/17 - ODP DATA CUT DATE 28/10/2016



To see recruitment by specialties copy and paste the following link into the address bar
<http://commsport/Departments/rd/Pages/NIHR-Portfolio-chart-15.16.aspx>

OPEN COMMERCIAL STUDIES: ODP DATA CUT 24/10/2016.

Specialism	Principal Investigator	Study name	Total Target recruitment	Total Actual Recruitment
Gastroenterology	Dr Roisin Bevan	MOGIC	5	11
Cardiology	Dr Justin Carter	DALGENE	8	0
Cardiology	Dr Justin Carter	REPORT -HF	15	15
Cardiology	Dr Justin Carter	RELAX EU	1	0
Cardiology	Dr Mathew Dewhurst	PARAGON	6	2
Respiratory	Dr Benjamin Prudon	IMPACT	10	4
Stroke	Dr I Anwar	PGRX	5	0

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We are behind target for our Trust recruitment target for the year. A number of things have impacted on our ability to keep to target –largely due to the new national HRA process causing a backlog in anticipated new studies opening. However, even for some of the studies that were already open, there has been a drop in availability of eligible patients.

We have a number of larger recruiting studies that have recently opened or are planned for the end of the year so I'm optimistic that we will reach our overall Trust target but it's going to take a lot of collaboration across specialisms and flexibility of our research delivery staff so that the high recruiting studies can be supported when needed (without compromising recruitment to existing studies). We also have two members of staff on long term sick leave which always has an impact. Unfortunately we do not get any financial support to cover these posts when issues such as this arise, so we are relying on existing staff to help cover these posts as far as possible.

Studies are now coming through the new HRA process so the R&D office is experiencing a bit of a deluge at the moment so please bear with us if we don't respond as quickly as normal to emails/queries. Thank you. **Jane Greenaway**

Applications are open for Green Shoots PA awards from the regional research network .

If you know of anyone within your team who might be eligible, please speak to R&D and your CD about making an application. The **deadline for submission of applications is 5th December**, but a lot of preparation work is needed to identify potential studies and liaise with local specialty leads before the application is submitted, so please contact R&D early. Further details can be found here : <http://commsport/Departments/rd/Documents/Funding%20Opportunities/2017-18%20Greenshoots%20Guidance.pdf>

Results from the HUBBLE Trial: “Treating low grade piles with a newer surgical technique leads to less recurrence than rubber band ligation” Results of a surgical study the trust has collaborated in have recently been published in the Lancet.

The HUBBLE Randomised Controlled Trial which was led in our site by Anil Agarwal, Angela Lee and Debbie Wilson, investigated a new technique for the treatment of haemorrhoids. The trial compared the use of Haemorrhoidal Artery Ligation (HAL) with Rubber Band Ligation (RBL) for the management of symptoms of symptomatic second-degree and third-degree haemorrhoids. The paper summarised that although recurrence after HAL was lower than a single RBL, HAL was more painful than RBL. The paper suggests that patients might prefer a course of RBL to the more invasive HAL.

TOP 5 RECRUITING SPECIALISMS

1. **RESPIRATORY**
2. **CARDIOLOGY**
3. **NEONATES/HEPATOLOGY**
4. **CANCER**
5. **STROKE/GASTROENTEROLOGY**

STAR OF THE MONTH!

**RESPIRATORY
FOR EMBARC STUDY**

(RECRUITED 66)

WELL DONE!!



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A very sad farewell to R&D staff who are leaving

Helen Talbot, R&D Facilitator

Previous newsletters have included details of Helen's departure. We gave her a good "send off", she was thrilled with all of her leaving gifts and asked us to thank you all for your generous gifts.



Wendy Cheadle, Cross specialty Research Nurse (Neonates)

Sadly Wendy Cheadle is leaving our research community to embark on an exciting new chapter of her career as Advanced Nurse Practitioner Trainee. Wendy has been part of the research team for over six years now and has been instrumental in establishing a vibrant, proactive and skilled research team within the neonatal unit. We wish her the very best of luck in her new role and hope that we can still count on her to identify potentially eligible babies!!

Gabrielle Osborne, Paediatric Research Nurse

Gabrielle has worked for the research team for a number of years starting on a day a week, to three days a week and back to a day a week on her return to her clinical role. She has recently been successful in a new role as Paediatric Respiratory Specialist Nurse. We wish her the very best of luck in her new post and will miss her contribution to Paediatric research. She, along with Heather, have provided much needed stability to the paediatric team over the last year whilst we've recruited into the part-time research post.

Maternity Leave

Helen Dunn, our Principal Pharmacy Technician for Clinical Trials will be starting her maternity leave in November.

We wish her the very best of luck for the months ahead and look forward to lots of new baby pictures in due course.

Moira Percival will be covering Helen's post whilst she's on maternity leave and has been shadowing her for a number of weeks in preparation. Moira is pictured on (left in blue) with Helen.



A warm welcome to all of our New starters



Pam Race, Cross-specialty
Research Nurse (Cardiology)



Shaz Khalid, R&D Facilitator



Carolyn Campbell,
Cross-specialty Research Nurse
(Paediatrics)

Rebecca Tate, Data Assistant (Paediatrics, Neonates, Reproductive Health)

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NEW LEAGUE TABLES PUBLISHED !

The National Institute for Health Research have published their annual league table of research activity for 2015/16.

Our Trust ranked

89th out of 156 acute trusts for the number of NIHR portfolio research studies open

94th out of 156 Acute Trusts for the number of patients we recruited into NIHR portfolio research studies.

We were 95th out of a total of 450 Trusts in England.

Data for North Tees and other Trusts within North East and North Cumbria is shown below

Trust name	No. of studies 14/15	No. of studies 15/16	% change	No. of participants 14/15	No. of participants 15/16	% change
THE NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	486	514	5.80%	12493	12122	-3.00%
NORTHUMBRIA HEALTHCARE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	86	87	1.20%	2420	3100	28.10%
SOUTH TEES HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	188	195	3.70%	2535	2769	9.20%
NORTH CUMBRIA UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST	60	73	21.70%	4660	1954	-58.10%
CITY HOSPITALS SUNDERLAND NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	112	117	4.50%	1579	1879	19.00%
COUNTY DURHAM AND DARLINGTON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	97	87	-10.30%	1458	1025	-29.70%
SOUTH TYNESIDE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	40	36	-10.00%	568	952	67.60%
NORTH TEES AND HARTLEPOOL NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	70	67	-4.30%	1113	918	-17.50%
GATESHEAD HEALTH NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	55	58	5.50%	1642	902	-45.10%

Research Staff

Director	Professor Samir Gupta	24090
Manager	Jane Greenaway	83251
Team leader	Lynne Williams	83253
Facilitator	Shaz Khalid	24733
Administrator	Pauline Shepherd	24090
Data Assistant	Jean Bage	83046
Cardiology	Julie Quigley & Pam Race	83114
Paediatrics	Gabrielle Osborne, Heather Walker, Carolyn Campbell & Rebecca Tate	46041
Neonates	Wendy Cheadle & Rebecca Tate	24247/24248
Respiratory	Nicola Bateman, Lynda Poole, June Battram, Claire Irish & Angela Scott-Johnson	24580/24581/24582
Obs & Gynae	Sharon Gowans, Alison Samuels, Rebecca Tate	83111
A&E	Laura O'Rourke	83204
Diabetes	Sue Kelsey	83116
Dermatology	Sue Kelsey	83116
Stroke	Susan Crawford	83706
Cancer	Helen Wilson , Sarah Essex, Alison Chilvers	83277
GI /Hepatology	Carol Adams, Deborah Wilson, Tracey Johnston, Anne Eastick & Deborah Smith	24164/24524
Surgery	Debbie Wilson, Liz Baker	24163/83778

If you have any good news research stories to share with us we would love to feature them in our next newsletter so please email Jean and tell us what you have been up to... Jean Bage: 01642 383046 jean.bage2@nth.nhs.uk

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