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Compression Hosiery to Avoid Post thrombotic Syndrome (CHAPS) is an NIHR HTA funded trial designed to measure the difference in the incidence of post-thrombotic syndrome (PTS) after first, acute DVT between standard clinical care (anticoagulation) and the intervention arm (a graduated compression stocking and the standard clinical care).

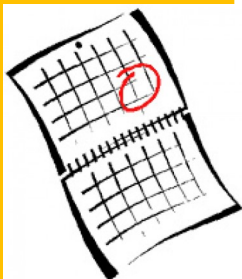
We are delighted to confirm that the NIHR have agreed that the study can continue recruiting beyond 31/10/2021. We are currently in the process of agreeing revised timelines and hope to confirm these in early 2022! Please see below for an update on screening to date!

Please see below for an update on recruitment to date! Thank you to all teams for your work to date!

Date for your diary:

The next Trial site teleconference will be held on **Wednesday 24th November, 2pm-2.30pm.**

We look forward to speaking with you then!



Site/PI	Status	No. recruited
Imperial (Professor Davies)	Reopen 08/02/2021	16
Basildon (Mr Dindyal)	Reopen 01/04/2021	5
Hampshire (Dr Everington)	Face to Face 01/04/2021	17
Guy's and St Thomas' (Professor Hunt)	Reopen 29/03/2021	2
Birmingham (Professor Bradbury)	Reopen 29/04/2021	4
King's College Hospital (Prof Arya)	Reopen October 2020	0
Northwick Park (Miss Renton)	Activated 28/01/2021	7
Royal Free (Dr Drebes)	Activated 15/04/2021	1
East Cheshire (Dr Ansari)	Activated 28/04/2021	6
Cambridge (Mr Gohel)	Not yet activated	N/A
Newcastle (Professor Stansby)	Activated 08/07/2021	0
Salisbury (Dr Cullis)	Activated 24/08/2021	1
Barking (Dr Boshier)	Activated 26/08/2021	1
Maidstone (Dr Smith)	Activated 09/09/2021	1
Cumbria (Dr Oakes)	Activated 14/09/2021	0
Hull (Mr Carradice)	Activated 07/10/2021	0
Total		61

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UPDATES

RECRUITMENT

61 participants have been recruited to date!

Thank you to all sites for all your work !

Congratulations to Dr Everington and Team at Hampshire who are the highest recruiters, with 17 participants recruited to date!



Please remember to update the screening log on REDCap on a weekly basis.

NEW SITES

Welcome on board to the following sites who have all been activated recently:

- Salisbury (Dr Cullis)
- Barking (Dr Boshier)
- Maidstone (Dr Smith)
- Cumbria (Dr Oakes)
- Hull (Mr Carradice)

We are currently in the process of setting up the following sites and look forward to welcoming them on board soon:

- Southampton (Mr Patterson)
- Cornwall (Miss Barnes)
- Yeovil (Dr Waters)
- UCLH (Mr Agu)
- Bolton (Dr Kallat)
- Betsi Cadwaladr (Ms Brookes)
- Nottingham (Dr Millen)

INTERVIEW WITH THE EAST CHESHIRE TEAM

This issue we hear from the East Cheshire NHS Trust team (PI: Dr Imran Ansari). Since opening in April 2021, the team have recruited 6 participants!

What do you enjoy most about working in research?

You are at the forefront of new medical discoveries and help develop breakthrough cures and medical treatments. The work that you do can help some patients live longer or have a better quality of life. Research can be very rewarding and fulfilling and we enjoy making a difference!

What are the challenges of working in research?

- There is sometimes a lack of access to resources
- Sometimes convincing people to participate in research can be difficult

Do you have any tips for recruiting to CHAPS?

- *Regular communication and maintaining a good working relation with staff in SDEC!*



From left to right: Dr Imran Ansari (PI) , Helen Wassall (Research Nurse), Charlotte Dean (Clinical Trials Administrator, Joanne Bradley-Potts (Research Nurse), Maureen Holland (Senior Research Nurse)

UPDATE TO ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Patients with C4 disease defined by the CEAP classification are now eligible to take part. Only those with C5 or C6 are excluded.

STOCKINGS RE-ORDER FORM

Please remember to send all requests for the re-ordering of stockings to Medi at admin.team@mediuk.co.uk and nina.linnitt@mediuk.co.uk.

Remember that Medi now offer a variety of stockings, including:

- Open toe
- Closed toe
- Mediven for Men
- Mediven Active

Please contact the team at Medi for more information!

FACEBOOK FORUM

Please remember to inform all participants randomised to the stockings arm of the Facebook Forum:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/751218545534316>

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CURRENT STUDY DOCUMENTATION

Please ensure that you are using the current study documentation, detailed below:

Document	Current version	Date
Protocol	6	05/08/2021
PIS - Main	4	24/02/2021
ICF - Main	4	24/02/2021
CRF	3	31/08/2021
PIS - Sub-study	2	10/08/2021
ICF - Sub-study	2	10/08/2021
GP Letter	1	02/09/2019
Patient resource diary	3	24/02/2021
Recruitment poster	1	02/09/2019
BIPQ	1	02/09/2019
BSQ	2	03/03/2021
EQ-5D	1	02/09/2019
MARS	1	02/09/2019
TIQ	1	02/09/2019
VEINS QoL	1	02/09/2019
Recruitment leaflet	1	02/09/2019
Patient letters - follow-up	1	02/09/2019
Patient reminder letter - follow-up	1	02/09/2019
Patient reminder cards	1	02/09/2019
Stockings information leaflet	1	25/06/2020

A list of up to date study documents are now available for download on the Imperial College website. If you choose to download these please ensure that you add your local site headers to anything that will be given to potential participants.

<https://www.imperial.ac.uk/department-surgery-cancer/research/surgery/clinical-trials/chaps-trial/>

IMPORTANT LINKS:



<https://redcap.clinicaltrials.ed.ac.uk/>



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