

# REPAIR Trial Newsletter

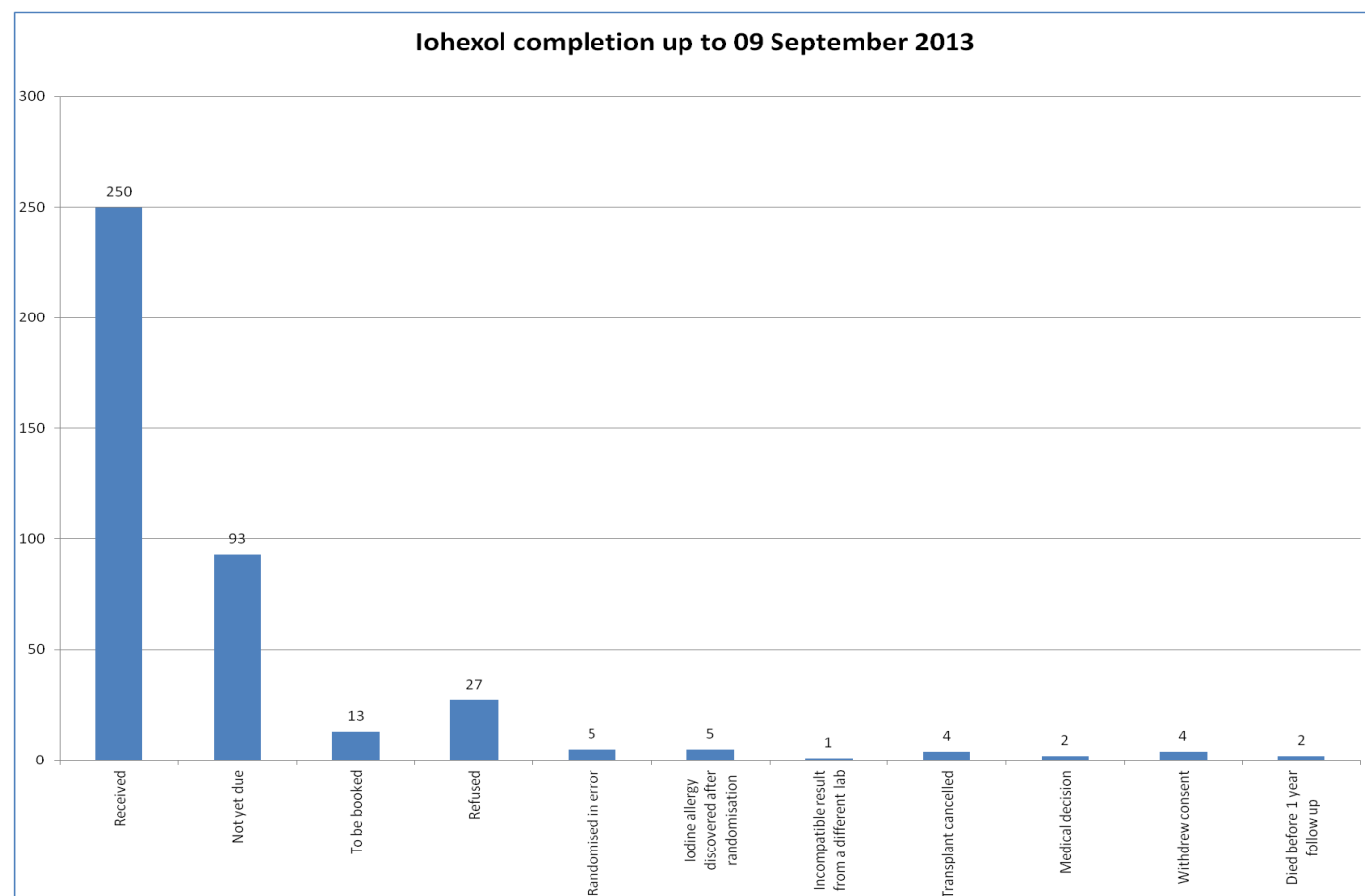


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## Latest news...

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the newsletter. We hope you all had a good summer, let us hope it is not quite winter yet! As you know recruitment finished at the end of April and 3 month follow up should now be complete. In the coming weeks we will be cleaning the data in advance of any analyses so there may be some queries sent out. As we would like the data up to 3 months cleaned before the Data Monitoring Committee (DMC) meeting in November 2013 it would be very helpful if these queries could be responded to as quickly as possible.

All baseline and inpatient samples have now been received so many thanks to everyone for their efforts in achieving this. Below is a summary of the status of the 1 year iohexol clearances.



It is really important that we minimise the number of patients refusing to attend for the iohexol or we will not have enough samples to properly answer the primary question. Do not forget that we can reimburse patients for any reasonable travel, accommodation or food costs incurred as a result of coming for the iohexol. In these cases the patients should provide the receipts at the visit and the research nurses will liaise with LSHTM to ensure the money is reimbursed. Please ensure everything possible is done to ensure the remaining patients attend the iohexol test. If you are in any doubt about what we will reimburse please do not hesitate to contact the Clinical Trials Unit and we will be happy to discuss.

## Goodbye to Kristin

We are sad to announce that Kristin will be leaving the Royal Free and REPAIR in October to take up a position at Queen Alexandra Hospital in Portsmouth to finish her renal training on the Wessex rotation.

Kristin started working on REPAIR in September 2010 and became involved due to her interest in ischaemia reperfusion injury and how it affects patients with chronic kidney disease, especially in the context of renal transplantation.

She soon became responsible for coordinating the iohexol samples in preparation for analysis and for helping with the iohexol clearances at the Royal free. In addition to this Kristin was involved with training sites in the iohexol procedure, site initiation, co-ordinating the transfer, storing and processing of all the samples and contributing to the Project Management Group (PMG).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Kristin for all her hard work on REPAIR over the past three years and wish her well for the future.

Maddy Motwani will be taking over the coordination of the iohexol samples and he can be contacted at [m.motwani.11@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:m.motwani.11@ucl.ac.uk) but queries can still be sent to Kristin at [kristin.veighey@nhs.net](mailto:kristin.veighey@nhs.net) copied to Maddy.

Congratulations are also due to Kristin as she has just announced that she is pregnant! We are all delighted for her and her family and wish them well.



## Trial Steering Committee (TSC)

The TSC will meet again in November 2013 and plans for publication and dissemination of the results will be discussed. It is hoped there will be an investigator meeting in 2014 to announce the results and further details about this and the publication plan will be confirmed after the TSC meeting.

## Recent publications on preconditioning

There have been 2 papers published recently looking at remote ischaemic preconditioning (RIPC) in patients undergoing coronary artery bypass graft surgery. Both papers suggest potential benefits of RIPC in terms of perioperative myocardial protection and improved prognosis of patients undergoing elective CABG surgery. This is encouraging news for REPAIR.

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## Blood pressure cuffs

If any of the sites have blood pressure cuffs that are still in good condition we would be very grateful if these could be returned to the REPAIR office at LSHTM.

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