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ACESO Trial

Upadacitinib Co-therapy with Corticosteroids in Early Acute Severe Ulcerative Colitis
(A Phase III randomised placebo controlled double blinded trial)



This newsletter will provide you with the current study status, updates, tips and other useful information.

THANK YOU & WELL DONE

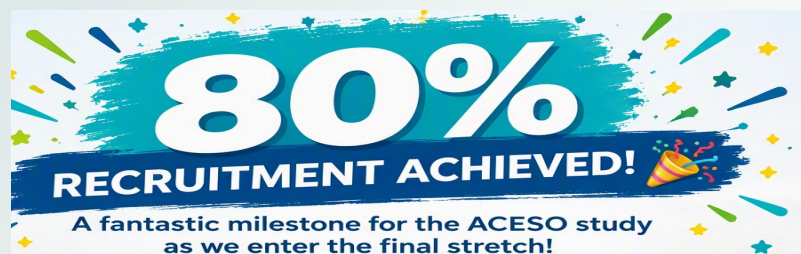
80% RECRUITMENT ACHIEVED!

A fantastic milestone for the ACESO study as we enter the final stretch!

A huge thank you to all our participating sites for your continued hard work and support in helping us reach this important milestone.

As we enter the final stages of recruitment, please ensure that all outstanding queries are resolved.

Thank you again for your continued commitment and support—we're almost there!



RECRUITMENT UPDATE

We are delighted to share that, as of 30 SEP 248 participants have been recruited.

If there is anything we can do to support recruitment at your site, please let us know. Your continued efforts are greatly appreciated!



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Investigators Spotlight



Dr Susanna Meade
Principal Investigator ACE-27 | Bristol
A special thank you to you and your team at Bristol, for ongoing leadership, commitment, and support of the ACESO study.



Dr Silas Danielraj Muthuchand
Sub-Principal Investigator ACE-28 | Maidstone
Thank you to you and your team at Maidstone for your valuable contribution in supporting study & helping to reduce queries.

INFORM REMINDERS

Thank you to **all participating investigators and site teams** for your continued collaboration and commitment. Please note the key reminders below:

- 😊 **Outstanding queries:** Please ensure all outstanding queries are resolved, particularly those that are more than 30 days old. We may ask you to extend your monthly call so that we can support you in resolving any outstanding queries.
- 😊 **Lab manual:** updated lab manual V1.2 will be circulated soon. Please pay attention to the storage and shipment sections.
- 😊 **Consent forms:** Questions Q10, Q13, and Q14 must be initialled, not circled. If circled please ask the participant to initial it at their next visit and upload the corrected ICF to the RCC.
- 😊 **Screening logs:** Only **REDACTED screening logs** should be sent to HHTU

TIPS AND BEST PRACTICE

- 😊 **Day 10:** Please ensure collection of Serum CRP, faecal calprotectin, and MTWSI; avoid unblinded or out-of-window visits.
- 😊 **Day 56:** Please ensure collection of CRP, faecal calprotectin & MTWSI.
- 😊 **12 Month:** The 12-Month Study Visit may take place 12-month +4 weeks, but must not take place prior the 12-month timepoint.
- 😊 **12 Month:** Please arrange 12 month visits in advance. HHTU will send a reminder 3 months before the visit is due. .
- 😊 **12 Month:** Please ensure collection of CRP & faecal calprotectin.
- 😊 **DATA COLLECTION GROUP ONLY:** All data should be collected to match the other groups as far as possible. This includes blood test results and questionnaires. Please see Data Collection CRFs for Day 56 & 12 month Visits for more information.

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ACESO Trial SITE LEADERBOARD



Site	PI Name	Site Opening	Total recruitment	Recruitment in last 2 months
ACE-01 Hull	Prof. Shaji Sebastian	April	49	6
ACE-02 Cambridge	Dr Tim Raine	May	18	1
ACE-18 Wolverhampton	Dr Philip Harvey	September	17	0
ACE-03 St Georges	Dr Sailish Honap	May	17	1
ACE-05 Barts	Dr Gareth Parkes	July	12	3
ACE-04 Glasgow: GRI	Prof. Daniel Gaya	June	11	2
ACE-23 Imperial	Dr James Alexander	November	11	1
ACE-28 Maidstone	Dr Paul Blaker	October	10	2
ACE-27 Bristol	Dr Susanna Meade	October	9	3
ACE-07 Guys	Dr Shuvra Ray	October	9	2
ACE-14 Leeds	Dr Christian Selinger	October	9	1
ACE-11 Oxford	Dr Alissa Walsh	August	7	1
ACE-09 Kings	Dr Alexandra Kent	August	7	1
ACE-10 Devon	Dr Jonathan Digby-Bell	May	7	0
ACE-16 Newcastle	Dr Andrew King	September	6	1
ACE-22 Somerset	Dr Emma Wesley	September	6	1
ACE-06 Lothian	Dr Shahida Din	July	6	1
ACE-20 Chelsea	Dr Alice Moore	October	5	0
ACE-08 Kettering	Dr Ajay Verma	May	4	1
ACE-12 Shrewsbury	Dr Jeffery Butterworth	November	4	0
ACE-13 Glasgow QEUH	Dr John Paul Seenan	July	4	0
ACE-21 St Marks	Dr Ravi Misra	October	4	0
ACE-15 Manchester	Prof. Jimmy Limdi	August	4	0
ACE-25 Cardiff	Dr Dharmaraj Durai	December	3	1
ACE-24 Southampton	Dr Fraser Cummings	November	3	0
ACE-29 Homerton	Dr Nishani Jayasooriya	November	3	0
ACE-26 Belfast (Ulster)	Dr Patrick Allen	November	2	0
ACE-30 Antrim	Dr Kok Diong	December	1	0