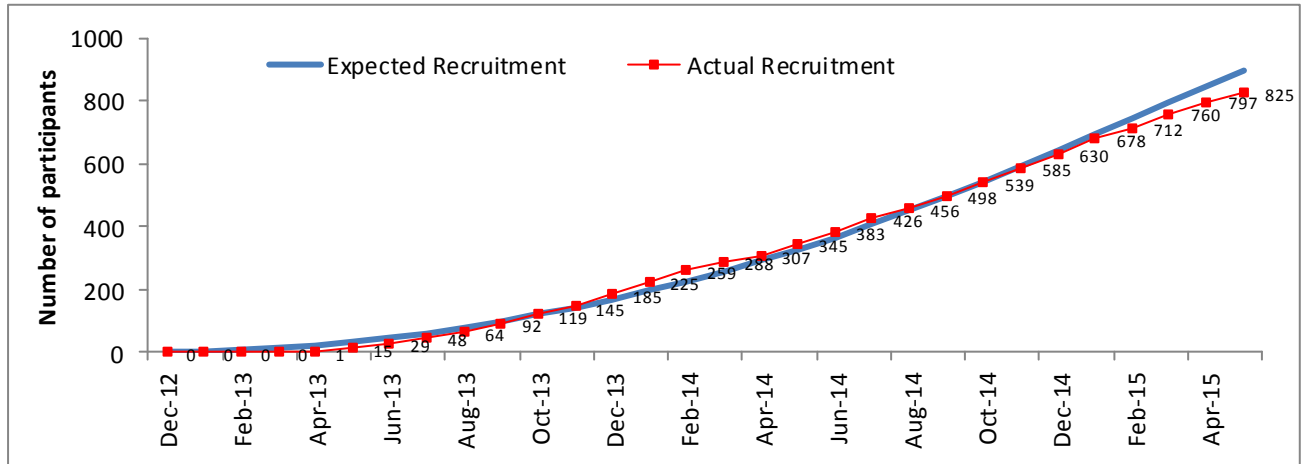


SANAD II

A pragmatic randomised controlled trial comparing the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of levitiracetam and zonisamide versus standard treatments for epilepsy: a comparison of Standard And New Antiepileptic Drugs (SANAD-II)

TRIAL RECRUITMENT



NEWS

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- ✓ Recruitment has slowed down in the last few months. It would be great if you were able to continue to recruit and help us reach our recruitment target.
- ✓ If you want to know how well are you doing, LIVE recruitment figures (updated daily) are now on the trial website, under Recruiting Centres tab.
- ✓ We opened 88 sites. We are still setting up new sites.
- ✓ After the PI and lead research nurse had been trained on the trial protocol prior to the site being opened to recruitment, it becomes PI responsibility to ensure site staff are appropriately trained on trial protocol.
- ✓ Please don't forget to add patient's telephone number on Contact Details form 2!
- ✓ Thank you All for great support!

TELEPHONE FOLLOW-UP

Some collaborators have been in touch to let us know that they routinely conduct some follow-up visits by telephone. We would like you to complete a "Follow-up" form 5 after each clinical contact with the patient, either in person or by phone.

SALIVA SAMPLES

If your site has been collecting saliva samples for DNA extraction, please note that for the saliva sample transportation to the laboratory you should start using from now on the Royal Mail safe boxes.

WITHDRAWAL FROM STUDY

- ✓ SANADII is a pragmatic trial and plans to follow ALL patients according to routine care
- ✓ Complete "Follow-up" form 5 to report withdrawal from treatment and/or changes to treatment
- ✓ But, we want to follow patients even after they withdraw/change their randomised treatment
- ✓ Therefore, ONLY complete "Withdrawal from study" form 6 if patient explicitly wishes to be removed from further follow-up and the study
- ✓ We can collect some follow-up data from GPs for those patients that don't turn for appointments or don't respond to letters or telephone calls
- ✓ If a patient wishes to withdraw from the study please firstly discuss the possibility of obtaining further follow-up data through their GP. The patient would not be asked to attend visits and would not be asked to complete any further questionnaires but we may still be able to collect important data from their GP.

