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)

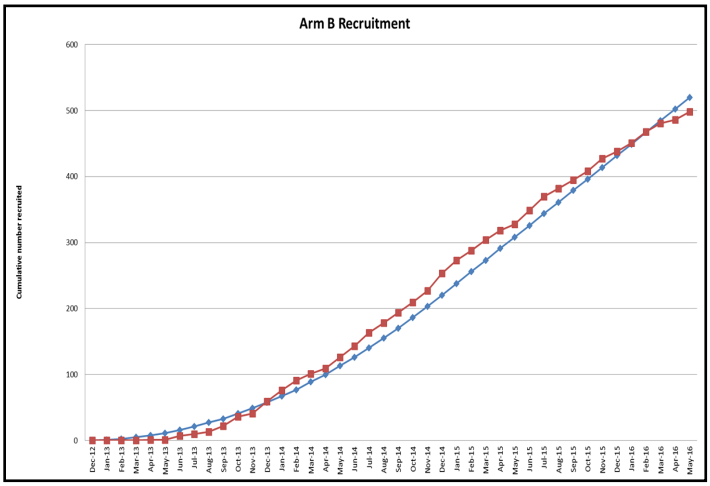
TRIAL RECRUITMENT

SANAD II is STILL recruiting, and in particular we need your help to recruit the final 200 patients for arm A.

Early in May 2016 the trial team submitted a 12-month extension application. Whilst awaiting the outcome of the review, we have been advised to "push" for recruitment. We will aim to inform you as soon as we know of the outcome.

LIVE recruitment figures can be found at http://www.sanad2.org.uk/centres.html

Please get in touch should you need any clarification regarding recruitment or any other trial matters.



QOL QUESTIONNAIRES

The **return rate** is lower that we would like, can you please:

- ✓ Remember to give QoL questionnaires at recruitment
- ✓ Encourage patients to complete them when you see them in clinic

EEG and MRI scans

Can we encourage you to provide information about investigations. The Data Monitoring Committee has highlighted that 8% of Arm A patients have not had an MRI scan, and 8% in Arm B patients have not had an EEG.

DNA SAMPLES

We still have **a large number of DNA samples** to collect. Please ensure:

- ✓ DNA sample was collected from all consented patients and it was shipped to the laboratory;
- ✓ DNA sample form was completed and returned to the trial office.

PIS and ICF

Substantial Amendment 7 brought in new versions of trial Patient Information Sheets (PIS) and Informed Consent Forms (ICF). Trial office has emailed you all the current approved forms in October 2015 (or subsequently). Please let me know asap should you not have received this email communication.

WITHDRAWAL FROM STUDY

- ✓ All patients should be followed up to the end of the trial wherever possible.
- ✓ Please continue to follow patients up even if they withdraw from randomised treatment.
- ✓ 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 from you.

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