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# Newsletter



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eSMART: Randomised controlled trial to evaluate electronic Symptom Management using the Advanced Symptom Management System (ASyMS) Remote Technology for patients with cancer

Welcome to our eSMART Newsletter, prepared by the KCL team. In this issue you can be updated about the recruitment and patients' follow up among our clinical sites in United Kingdom, Ireland, Greece, Austria and Norway. You can also read about important study news and eSMART partners research activities. Enjoy our Newsletter!!



Dr Jo Armes, King's College London

Welcome to the summer edition of the eSMART newsletter from King's College in an unusually hot and sunny London! We hope you have all been enjoying your summers so far. We'd particularly like to welcome University College Hospital London to the eSMART study as they have started recruiting to the feasibility study and should soon start recruitment to the main trial. We're delighted that the study is a third of the way to its target for recruitment thanks to all your hard work – it's a great achievement! As of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 the KCL Work Package 3 team will move to the University of Surrey where I will take up a new post as Reader in Cancer Nursing, we're working hard to minimise any disruption to the study but please be aware we may be a bit slower to respond to emails etc around the time of the move. For those of you taking holiday over the next few months we wish you a restful and enjoyable time!

# **eSMART Recruited Figures**



Figure 1. Overtime total recruitment performance. Up to 25-08-2017, we have 477 patients recruited in total to the study.



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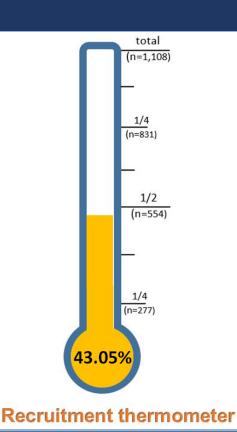
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# **Recruitment Update**



The data collection started in May 2016, and currently 477 patients have been recruited:

- 349 with breast cancer,
- 79 with colorectal cancer and,
- 49 with haematological malignancies

from the 13 participated clinical sites across Europe. The average number of recruited patients per month is 28.

Approximately, 300 patients have entered the follow up phase (find more be-

Although, there are several challenges of conducting an international nursing study of a technological innovation, patients are willing to accept randomisation into the study and attrition remains low.

The recruitment is ongoing and data collection ends in September 2018.

Recruitment target over all sites throughout the study: 1,108 patients

# Focus on the one-year follow up (Work Package 3)

In this section we are focusing on the progress of Work Package 3. We would like to start off with a big 'Thank You!' to all clinical sites for your continued dedication in data collection for the follow up phase.

As the Table 1 shows, we are approaching 300 patients in the follow-up phase, with approximately 72% response at Transition PROM and just over 75% at 3 month PROM.

### Table 1: 3-12 month total figures

	Transition	3 months	6 months	9 months	12 months
Patients' number	292	203	138	44	2
Completed PROMS	209	152	87	Not yet known	Not yet know
Response rate	72%	75%	63%	N/A	N/A

Table 1 shows the great response rates we have had at each time point up to 31/07/17.



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2017 PROMs Research Conference; Advances in Patient Reported Outcomes Research Conference



**Teresa Young, Mount Vernon Cancer Centre** 

2017 PROMs Research Conference; Advances in Patient Reported Outcomes Research Conference 8th June 2017 at St Anne's College, Oxford.

Teresa Young, who is leading recruitment to the eSMART study at Mount Vernon Cancer Centre, gave an oral presentation providing an overview of the eSMART study which was very well received.

This excellent one-day conference brought together researchers from across the UK and Ireland to engage with the latest advances in the field of PROMs research and implementation.

Plenary speakers included Jose Valderas and Galina Velikova. If you're interested, slides for the oral sessions are available at <a href="https://www.kc-jones.co.uk/proms2017">https://www.kc-jones.co.uk/proms2017</a>.

Are you new to eSMART? Or just need some refresher training? Our new training session may be for you!

The University of Strathclyde eSMART Team will be offering brief online eSMART training sessions from this September. This interactive and supportive session will cover all aspects of the eSMART RCT and the follow up phase. The session will include lots of opportunity to ask questions and discuss any aspects of the study with researchers from WP2 and WP3.

Please let your eSMART colleagues know about this session. Maybe they are new to the study or just need a quick refresher of the key study points.

Interested? Please register your interest at <a href="mailto:glasgow-esmart@strath.ac.uk">glasgow-esmart@strath.ac.uk</a>, letting them know your main reason for wanting to attend, so we can tailor the session to your needs.



# **PREVIOUS / UPCOMING EVENTS**

8th June 2017, St Anne's College, Oxford: 2017 PROMs Research Conference; Advances in Patient Reported Outcomes Research Conference, oral presentation by Teresa Young, Mount Vernon Hospital

March 2017: RCSI 36th Annual International Nursing & Midwifery Research and Education Conference 2017

Presentation by UCD team: "Integration of ASyMS into cancer care in Europe"

### Poster by UCD team:

"Scoping review of the assessment and management of chemotherapy-related toxicity to ensure that the eSMART intervention is evidence based and reflects current and local practice "



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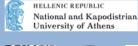
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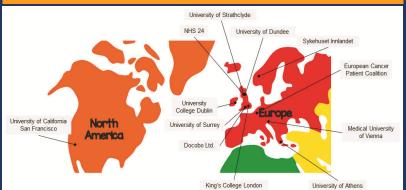








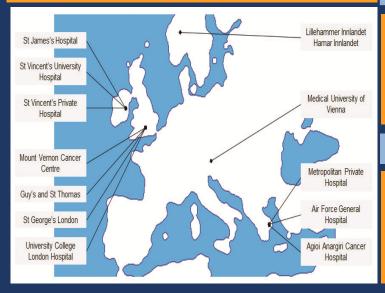
## **Location of eSMART Partners map**



# Partner Clinical Site MUV Medical University Vienna UCD St James's Hospital St Vincent's University Hospital St Vincent's Private Hospital UOA Agioi Anargiri Cancer Hospital Metropolitan Private Hospital Air Force General Hospital

# Partner Clinical Site UoStrath University College Hospital London Sykehuset Innlandet Hospital Trust Innlandet Hammar Innlandet KCL Mount Vernon Cancer Centre Guy's and St Thomas' St George's London

### **Location of eSMART Clinical Sites**



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