



# STICH II NEWSLETTER



Surgical Trial in Lobar Intracerebral Haemorrhage

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## League Table of Top Recruiting Centres

Newcastle, UK	34
Mansoura, Egypt	32
Bialystok, Poland	17
Skopje, Macedonia	17
P.S. Riga, Latvia	14
Klaipeda, Lithuania	14
AIIMS, New Delhi, India	13
Lahore, Pakistan	10
Saarlandes, Germany	9
Berlin, Germany	9
Santander, Spain	9
Borsod, Hungary	9
University Hospital Brno, CZ	8
Duesseldorf, Germany	7
Hartford, USA	7
Temple, USA	7
Prague, CZ	6
Dessau, Germany	6
Bangalore, India	6
Dundee, UK	6
Munster University, Germany	5
Cluj, Romania	5
St. George's, London, UK	5
Erlangen, Germany	5
Athens, Greece	4
SCTIMST, Trivandrum, India	4
Berlin (Charite), Germany	4
Dharan, Nepal	4
Heidelberg, Germany	4
Amberg, Germany	4
Novosibirsk, Russia	3
Ippokration, Thessaloniki, Greece	3
Istanbul, Turkey	3
Luebeck, Germany	3
Rome, Italy	3
Gailezers, Latvia	3
Edinburgh, UK	3
Macon, USA	3
Maharashtra, India	3
Pecs, Hungary	3
Tlalpan, Mexico	3
Ludhiana, India	3
Cambridge, UK	3
Visakhapatnam, India	3
Greifswald, Germany	2
Jena, Germany	2
Liberec, CZ	2
Poznan, Poland	2
Wiesbaden, Germany	2
Valladolid, Spain	2
Southampton, UK	2
Melbourne, Australia	2
Mayo, USA	1
Preston, UK	1
Leeds, UK	1
Middlesbrough, UK	1
Yerevan, Armenia	1
Penn State, USA	1
Salford, UK	1
Timisoara, Romania	1

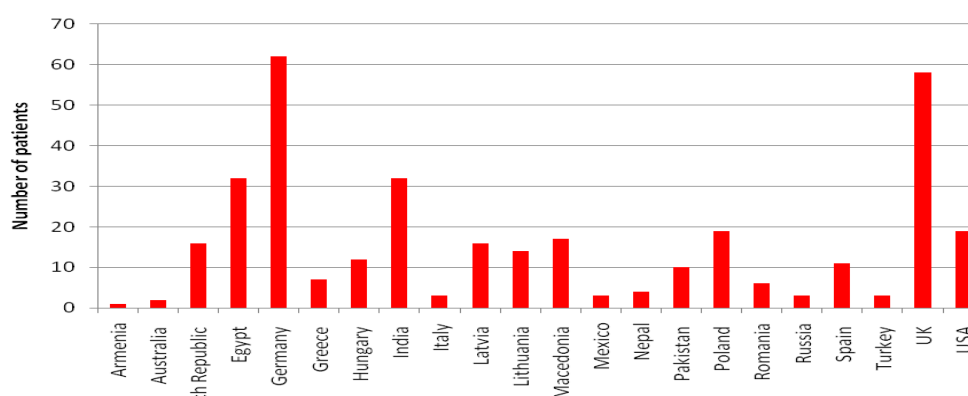
## Prize draw!

Congratulations to Pecs University Hospital for recruiting patient number 450! They will receive a bottle of champagne courtesy of the STICH II Team.

Remember, the centre that recruits the most patients between numbers 400-500 will receive extra financial help to attend the next Investigators Meeting.

Our interim target was 350 patients by the end of June 2010. We are slightly behind our target. In order to achieve our final target of 600 patients on time, we must exceed 375 patients by the end of September 2010 and recruit on average 20 patients per month. Check out the league table and see how your centre is doing!

Remember, promotional materials and presentations are available, please email [stich@ncl.ac.uk](mailto:stich@ncl.ac.uk) if you would like to receive them.



### Dates for your diary:

Members of the STICH II Team will be at the following conference, please do come and talk to us!

SBNS 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> September, London, UK  
AANS/ISC 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> February, Los Angeles, USA  
BNRG 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> March, Dundee, UK

### We are also hosting the:

Joint EANS Annual meeting – 4th World ICH Conference  
2nd-5th May 2011,  
NewcastleGateshead, UK

Watch the website for further meetings.

We would like to welcome Dr. Alina Andras to the STICH II Team as the new Data Manager.

### The following centres have joined the trial since the last newsletter:

Diakonieklinikum Jung-Stilling, Siegen, GERMANY  
Kerala Institute of Medical Sciences, Trivandrum, INDIA  
National Practical and Scientific Centre of Emergency Medicine,  
Chisinau, MOLDOVA  
B & B Hospital, Lalitpur, NEPAL  
County Hospital, Timisoara, ROMANIA

We would like to thank our Principal Investigators who have given/are giving STICH presentations at International Meetings on our behalf. We really appreciate your dedication and support.

If there is an International Meeting in your country coming up and you feel you could present STICH II on our behalf, please do send us an email.

### TO RANDOMISE:

Telephone the 24 hour randomisation service  
**+44 (0)1224 551 261**  
Or  
use our web based system:

<https://viis.abdn.ac.uk/huru/stich>

If you would like to be able to randomise patients via the web, please contact the STICH Office for a username and password.

### Inclusion Criteria

- Spontaneous lobar ICH on CT scan (1cm or less from cortex surface of the brain) within 48 hours of ictus
- Best MOTOR score on GCS of 5 or 6 and best EYE score on the GCS of 2 or more
- Volume of haematoma between 10 and 100ml [using Broderick Method (axbc)/2]

### Exclusion Criteria

- Aneurysm, tumour, trauma, angiographically proven AVM
- If surgery cannot be performed within 12 hrs of randomisation
- Intraventricular haemorrhage
- Hydrocephalus
- Brain stem/cerebellar/basal ganglia/thalamic haemorrhage
- Pre-existing physical or mental disability or severe co-morbidity
- Unreversed clotting or coagulation problems

Up to date trial information is always available on our website:

<http://research.ncl.ac.uk/stich>