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-time lapse imaging trial-

Dear TILT Team,

I ask you, is there anything more romantic this Valentine's season than a TILT trial newsletter? I thought not. If like me the only card you received yesterday was from your mum (and by card I mean a poorly spelt Whatsapp message), then rest assured that you are very much loved by all here at TILT HQ. Below are a few updates and bits of useful trial information for you to enjoy.



I. Bath Fertility Centre recruited and randomized their first participants in January. Well done to everybody there and best of luck for the rest of the study!

2. As of today (15th February 2019) there have been a total of 196 participants recruited and 148 randomised.

3. Princess Anne Hospital in Southampton opened to recruitment this week, after their SIV in January, making them our 3rd actively recruiting site. We eagerly wait for news of their first participant.

4. We had our second **Trial Steering Committee** on 11th February which went well. Further details can be made available on request.

International Collaboration

We are in the process of finalising an innovative collaboration between ourselves at QMUL and the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK). Under their own study sponsorship, CUHK will work in parallel with QMUL and all of the recruiting sites in



the UK to help deliver this important study, and clarify once and for all the effectiveness of the use of Time Lapse Imaging in assisted reproduction. This marks a really exciting time for the TILT trial and we look forward to a prosperous relationship with the team in Hong Kong.



Grab yourselves a brew guys and settle down. It's a 2 pager...





Recording changes to the planned method of embryo transfer

We're aware that the planned transfer method may change, even up until the last minute. Below is a step-by-step guide to ensure that any such changes are correctly recorded in the Database as well as the Randomisation System.

Consent & Eligibility pCRF <u>and</u> eCRF • Record the method of embryo transfer that was planned <u>at</u> the time of consent.

Randomisation pCRF <u>and</u> System • Ensure that the planned method of embryo transfer entered is correct at the time of randomisation. This is a minimisation factor when randomising so is very important.*

Embryo Grading & Selection eCRF

- Asks about the actual method of transfer, and whether it was different to the plan at time of randomisation (not from time of consent). Any changes in the plan from the time of randomisation can be recorded here.
 - * If the plan at randomisation is different to the plan at Consent, there is no need to go back and correct the Consent eCRF.

HFEA announcement calling for greater transparency

The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA) published a consensus statement in January stating that treatment addons should be offered ethically in clinical practice, and that clinics have a duty to be open about what evidence there is of their effectiveness. This new announcement again underlines the importance of the TILT trial which will give an answer to the clinical effectiveness of time lapse imaging in in-vitro fertilisation treatment.

https://www.hfea.gov.uk/about-us/news-and-press-releases/2019-news-and-press-releases/fertility-regulator-calls-for-clinics-to-be-more-open-about-treatment-add-ons/





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