



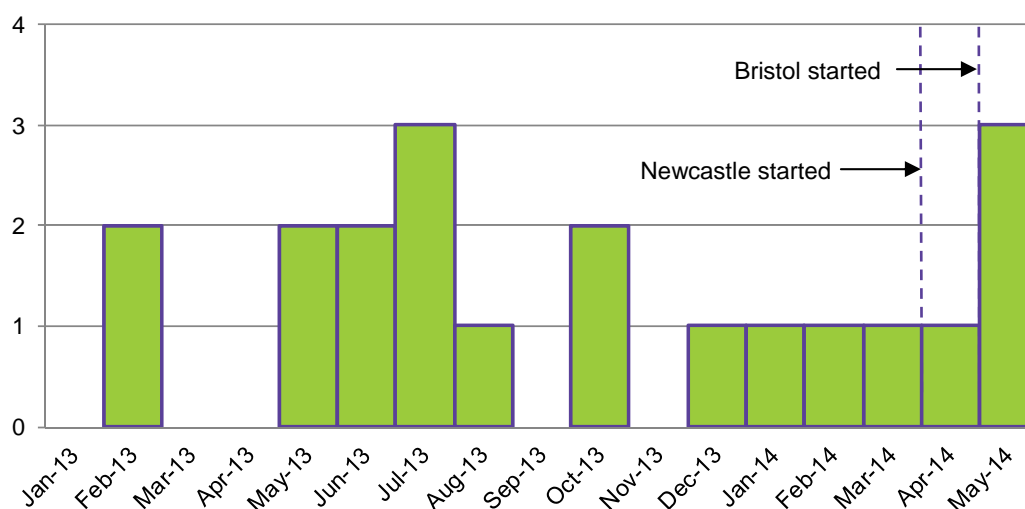
# Newsletter

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## patients randomised!

21 patients have now been randomised to SCARF! Three patients were recruited in May - it would be great to keep this recruitment rate going and hopefully we can reach our monthly target of 4 patients over the coming months...



to **Great North Children's Hospital** in Newcastle and **Bristol Royal Hospital for Children** who have recently opened to recruitment. We now have **three** sites open!

Very well done to Great North Children's Hospital who recruited their first patient!

## Why SCARF?

SCARF is a multi-centre, randomised controlled trial to find out if early admission to the intensive care unit for CPAP results in more children recovering from severe breathing difficulties when compared to usual treatment.

**Eligibility: is the patient...**

- ✓ < 18 years old?
- ✓ Severely impaired immunity?
- ✓ Acute respiratory failure or acute on chronic respiratory failure?

If yes, contact your local SCARF Team!

## Letter for potential patients

If you identify any potential patients (impaired immunity but do not have acute respiratory failure), please ensure that the letter for potential patients is given to the parent/guardian as soon as possible. This will optimise the time that parents/guardians have to consider their child's participation in the trial.



## Important contacts

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