

PROTECTme News

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The Royal Women's Hospital joins PROTECT Me!

The team at the Royal Women's Hospital (RWH) in Melbourne has officially joined the PROTECT Me trial and are on a recruitment blitz! Since commencing recruitment at the start of June, the team at RWH has recruited 6 participants - great work!

The PROTECT Me team would like to say a big thank you to Dr Clare Whitehead and research midwife Di Maxwell for their efforts in preparing for the study and we are excited to continue to work with the clinical team at RWH.

We need your help to get other sites on board to meet the recruitment target by April 2023. We would love to hear from you!

Progress Summary

So far, the Monash, Mercy, Auckland and RWH have jointly:

72 Women recruited (53 at Monash, 7 at Mercy, 6 at Auckland and 6 at RWH)
2 Withdrawn
40/46 MRIs Completed
8 MRIs Pending
35/43 GMA's (TCA) Completed
9 GMA's (TCA) Pending
27/35 GMA (3 Month TCA) Complete

New sites update

Building on the successful start of PROTECT Me at Auckland Hospital, Royal Women's Hospital and the Mercy Hospital we are keen to replicate it with our four new sites.

The PROTECT Me team would like to welcome Middlemore Hospital (Auckland), Mater Mother's

Hospital (Brisbane), Sunshine Hospital (Melbourne) and the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (Sydney) to the PROTECT Me family! We look forward to working with you all.

2 Years Old!

We are coming up to our first Protect Me baby's 2nd birthday! This means that the start of our neurodevelopment assessments is just around the corner. The PROTECT Me team are getting ready to undertake the assessments in the coming months.

A big thank you to Prof Peter Anderson and Lauren Pigdon for their excellent work in setting up this aspect of the trial at Monash Health for Victorian recruits. The picture below shows the beautiful new space we have created for these assessments. We can't wait to share it with our PROTECT Me families!



The PROTECT Me trial welcomes Ma'ayan Geffen and welcomes-back Harriet Dinning!

In April we welcomed Ma'ayan Geffen to the trial coordinator team. She has been expertly orientated to the clinical aspects by trial coordinator, Ebony La Posta.

A big welcome back to Harriet from her maternity leave. She will be re-joining the PROTECT Me trial coordinator team in the coming weeks. We are very excited to have Harriet back!

As a team of three - Ebony, Harriet and Ma'ayan are all here to assist with any clinical trial queries and referrals.

For any ethics/governance assistance, please contact Hildegard Mostmans. They are all contactable on scs-protectme@monash.edu

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