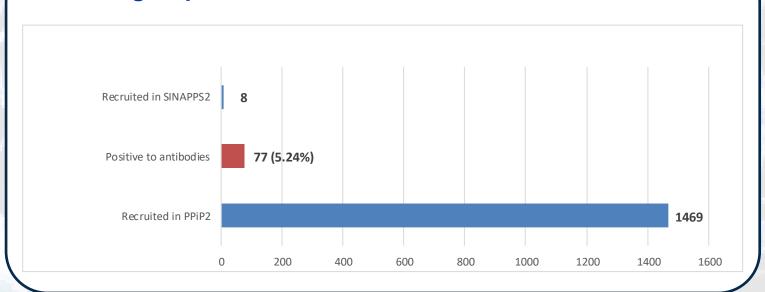
Newsletter issue 21



February 2019

SINAPPS

SINAPPS group studies overview (September 2016 — January 2019)



PPiP2 updates

As you most likely know, the next three months will be critical for PPiP2 and SINAPPS2. We identified less antibody positive participants then we expected and the overall PPiP2 recruitment over the last 18 months is lower than planned and significantly varies between sites and months. Consequently, the recruitment in the SINAPPS2 trial is slow and the continuation of both SINAPPS2 and PPiP2 is at risk. The early termination of these studies would be a huge loss for patients. Without evidence for its efficacy the availability of the immunotherapy for patients with psychosis associated with anti-neuronal membrane antibodies will be delayed.

We need your help to test as many as possible patients in PPiP2 to identify antibody positive patients for the trial. We are asking you to triple monthly recruitment at least until June 2019 to help us to reach the next trial milestone. In the next few weeks we plan to present our research in EIPs and wards to involve as many clinicians as possible, so if you know of any event please let us know!

SINAPPS2 updates

We are pleased to announce that we have now got the greenlight for the SINAPPS2 site in the King's College London Hospital Trust.

Based at the CRF in the Cheyne Wing of the King's College Hospital, our second London SINAPPS2 site will welcome patients from South London, Kent, Surrey and Borders and further away! Our research assistant will work alongside the CRF staff to deliver the best possible level of care while participating in the SINAPPS2 trial. PPiP2 sites in South London, Surrey and Kent are working hard to boost their recruitment and identify potential participants for the new SINAPPS2 site. We invite all clinicians in South London, Kent and Surrey to help us to test patients with psychosis for anti-neuronal membrane antibodies.

Please remember to inform clinicians that they can refer antibody positive patients to SINAPPS2 if they are tested clinicaly and not only through PPiP2. Participation in the trial will give them a chance to take part in the testing of a new treatment and help us to establish the role of antibodies in psychosis!

New inflammation and mental health booklet!

Our partners from the McPin foundation, in collaboration with the SINAPPS LEAP members, have just released a <u>new information booklet</u> about inflammation and mental health! This new booklet provides an overlook on how inflammatory processes might be involved in the onset of various mental health conditions, including depression and psychosis. This booklet ideally complements the booklet on inflammation and psychosis that was released a while back (available <u>here</u>).

Both booklets could be distributed to general public, including people with mental health illness so feel free to distribute them to both clinical staff and service users!

PPiP2 recruiter of the month

Congratulations to the team from **Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust** (Dr Alison Puffet, Megan Setterfield,
Hannah Herlihy, Roberta Box) for starting the
year with a bang and being our first recruiter of
the month for 2019! Well done!

A well deserved special mention also goes to the team at **Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust** (Dr Kripa Chakravarthy, Graham Spencer, Diane Hawksworth, Andy Dingwall), who put up quite the fight until the very end of the month!

Thanks to both teams for their great efforts and fantastic results!

Inflammation and Mental Health

An introduction to how inflammation can affect our mental health

Click on the image to open the online downloadable version of the booklet

Keep us updated on your team members!

As teams can get new members assigned quite frequently, it can be hard to remain on top of who to involve in our communications. We are very keen to make sure everyone receives regular updates and does not miss out on anything, but to do that we need your help! Please remember to regularly update our <u>sites mailing list</u> so that we can be sure to not leave anyone out!

CONTACTS

East of England , Midlands, East and South London: giuliano.tomei@psych.ox.ac.uk
Thames Valley, Bucks & Berks, Central and West London: sally-anne.vincent@psych.ox.ac.uk

South West, West London: <u>lona.cairns@psych.ox.ac.uk</u>
Project management: <u>ksenija.yeeles@psych.ox.ac.uk</u>

Research administrator: mio.shimazaki@psych.ox.ac.uk

www.sinapps.org.uk

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter









