StrokeNet Enrollment Update
CREST 2 – 948/2480
CREST H – 1/500
ARCADIA – 0/1100 randomized; 3/4400 consented

StrokeNet Trial Updates

ARCADIA is officially launched and we have 3 consented/enrolled subjects. None of these subjects met eligibility criteria so we are waiting on that first randomization!

We want to thank everyone who attended the StrokeNet Coordinator Webinar this past Wednesday. We had a wonderful turnout and great questions. A follow-up email will be sent out shortly covering the discussion and include some additional helpful information. The webinar slides are also posted on the StrokeNet website.

As of today: 30 sites are now CIRB approved and 8 have been released to enroll. We have many readiness calls scheduled so we anticipate that number will increasing rapidly! There are currently 60 sites with signed Protocol Trial Agreements, so we are still asking you to follow-up with your sites contract and sponsored research teams to see if you can move those along.

As a reminder, March 13th at noon (ET) The StrokeNet CIRB will host an IRB webinar. This will be focused on the central IRB processes and what the reliance agreements mean and what is expected of local IRBs. We have had many questions from sites and their IRB representatives as we work through ARCADIA so it is extremely important for your sites and their IRB representatives to be invited to attend this webinar.

For questions please contact the ARCADIA Project Manager, Irene Ewing @ Irene.ewing@uc.edu.
CREST-H ANNOUNCES INCREASED SITE REIMBURSEMENT:

Baseline visit payments will increase from $925 → $1,250, and follow up visits from $800→$1,000. These payments can be distributed at the discretion of the sites, but are intended to cover the cost of the 22-minute MRI scan, and completion of the CRFs associated with the visits. Although no one is in this business to make profits, this may at
least make the study a little more feasible. (See if you can get your institution to charge you for a half-hour slot instead of a 1-hour slot. We got 50% off at Columbia!)

Several sites are nearly ready for their Green Lights, including UPMC, Utah, and Keck USC. Many more are working rapidly through the process. We can’t wait to welcome all on board. If you are a CREST-2 site that has not been approached, and are interested in solving the question of whether hemodynamic compromise represents a reversible cause of cognitive impairment, let us know. You are speaking our language!


From The SHINE/iSPOT Teams:

We are in the last leg of the SHINE/iSPOT marathon! How do we finish strong? If we were to continue at the 2017 overall enrollment rate, it would take us 24 months (2 years) to reach the SHINE finish line. BUT, in a marathon you usually try to SPRINT to the finish line. Here is how we can sprint. We currently have 44 sites actively enrolling. If all of our sites enrolled at least one patient every other month, we would be accruing 22 enrollments per month, and our SHINE finish line would be only 14 months away! It would take all of us working together. This is our new 2018 enrollment goal. Thank you again for all of your hard work and dedication to SHINE, as we approach the #SHINEfinishline1400.

For StrokeNet Sites: Enrolling in SHINE/iSPOT can boost your RCC’s annual numbers!
Steering Committee Call

Steering Committee Calls are a requirement for all NIH StrokeNet RCCs
(one representative per RCC required)

The next Steering Committee call is scheduled for 14-March, 2018 at 12 noon ET.

Just a reminder, minutes from all Steering Committee calls can be accessed via the www.nihstrokenet.org website. After log in, click on the “Minutes” tab, then at the dropdown menu, select “Steering Committee”. https://www.nihstrokenet.org/intranet/minutes/steering-committee. If you need log in access, please contact your RCC Network Manager/Coordinator to request one for you.

NIH StrokeNet CIRB Process Review

NOTE: All of the RCCs and ARCADIA sites need to send the meeting invitation to their local IRB representatives

Presentation: NIH StrokeNet CIRB Review Process: An Update for Local IRBs and Sites
Presenters: Mike Linke, PhD, CIP, NIH StrokeNet CIRB Chair
Susan Roll, RN, BSN, CCRP, NIH StrokeNet CIRB Liaison

When: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 - 12:00 PM ET
Facilitator: Judy Spilker, RN, BSN, Administrative Director, NIH StrokeNet NCC

To join this webinar: https://nihstrokenet.adobeconnect.com/coordinator/ Please enter as a guest, then add your first and last name or email address. For Audio: Dial-In Number: (877) 621-0220 Passcode 434578.

Coordinator Webinar

Coordinator Webinars are a requirement for the NIH StrokeNet RCC Coordinators/Managers

Topic: Coordinator Webinar and Roundtable Session
Moderator: David Haney, StrokeNet Research Operations Manager, Case Western Reserve University
When: Wednesday, March 28, 2018 – 1:30 PM ET
To join Coordinator Webinars:  https://nihstrokenet.adobeconnect.com/coordinator/
Please enter as a guest, then add your first and last name or email address.  For Audio:  Dial-In Number: (877) 621-0220 Passcode 434578.

Please send suggestions for future coordinator webinar ideas to beckmare@ucmail.uc.edu.

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**Professional Development Webinar**

*Professional Development Webinars are a requirement for the NIH StrokeNet Trainees*

Presentations:

1:00 pm:  Protein Translational Control Mechanisms Regulate Inflammation and Platelet Function in Stroke - **Robert Campbell, PhD, University of Utah**

1:30 pm:  Field Assessment Stroke Triage for Emergency Destination (FAST-ED) as Predictor of Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO) in Acute Ischemic Stroke - **Erika Marulanda-Londoño, MD, University of Miami**

2:00 pm:  The Relationship Between Sleep Problems and Reduction in Systolic Blood Pressure in the DESERVE Trial - **Eric Roberts, MPH, New York University**

When:  **Thursday, March 8, 2018 - 1:00 PM ET**

Moderator:  Hal Adams, MD, University of Iowa

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**Grand Rounds**

*Grand Rounds are a requirement for the NIH StrokeNet Trainees, however all are welcome to participate.*

Presentations:  Gloves Off for Acute Stroke Management; Fellow Case Presentations to Two Stroke Experts - **Larry Wechsler, MD, UPMC, Jenny Majersik, University of Utah**

When:  **Thursday, March 22, 2018 - 4:00 PM ET**

Moderator:  Randy Marshall, MD, Columbia University

To join the meeting:  https://nihstrokenet.adobeconnect.com/grandrounds/ Please enter as a guest, then your email address or complete name.  To take part in the conversation you must dial in, 1 (877) 621-0220 Passcode Number: 190825
Congratulations to Intercostal Medical Group on receiving CIRB approval with no reviewer comments returned on their initial submission. Way to Go!

If you need to add new language to a consent (other than what was in the first review or what the reviewer has requested), when in the submission process and returning a response to the reviewer’s comments, please include a note that identifies there is new language and where it is in the document so it can be reviewed. If you do not notify the CIRB of the addition of new language, it could lead to language being in your consent that was not reviewed.

Did you know: The CIRB has received 157 submissions this calendar year. The CIRB has approved 1 study-wide protocol amendment, 2 study-wide administrative amendments, 34 new site approvals, 26 continuing reviews, 36 administrative amendments, 8 prompt reportable events and has 50 approvals pending in the first 2 months of 2018. 50 sites for ARCADIA have been submitted to the CIRB inbox, with 30 of them being approved!

Updated QAR Template

Jamey Frasure has updated the QAR template and it is available on the StrokeNet website http://www.nihstrokenet.org/documents. It is also attached to this email, for your convenience. Please use this template for your 15-Dec through 16-March Quarterly Activity Report, due 1-April.

New Resources for Preparing Applications

Please visit the following links to review new guidelines for preparing applications.

https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2017/12/06/resources-available-for-preparing-your-application-using-assist/?utm_source=nexus&utm_medium=email&utm_content=nihstaff&utm_campaign=nov18

**StrokeNet Network Meetings and Important Info**

**2018:** The next NIH StrokeNet Network meeting will be held on Tuesday, 16-October, prior to the World Stroke Congress in Montreal. Look for details soon. We will reimburse two people from each RCC one night room and tax, up to $250. Below is the reservation link which offers Congress rates.

https://hotel.kenes.com/en/congress/WSC18

http://www.world-stroke.org/meetings/world-stroke-congress

**Message from Bob Hart on behalf of the WSC Scientific Committee:**

Dear Colleagues:

Please join us in Montreal this autumn for the 11th World Stroke Congress. The clinical science and topic reviews will be outstanding, the teaching courses stimulating, the pro-and-con debates featuring international experts memorable, and the venue spectacular. For information about the program, please go to: http://www.worldstrokecongress.org/2018/Pages/default.aspx#.WoXPJO-Wy71

Abstract submission for the WSC 2018 is currently open. Over 1000 abstracts will be selected and around 600 will be presented orally at the Congress. **The deadline for submission is March 12.** Go to: http://www.worldstrokecongress.org/2018/abstract-information/abstract-submission#.WoXOZO-Wy70 to submit your abstract.

Sincerely,

Bob Hart on behalf of the WSC Scientific Committee

**Upcoming Conferences and Seminars**


May 5, 2018  UCLA Brain Attack! '18 Symposium

*For more information on these and other conferences and seminars, please see: http://nihstrokenet.org/in-the-news*
NIH StrokeNet Employment Opportunities

BETH ISRAEL DEACONESS MEDICAL CENTER AND HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL VASCULAR NEUROLOGY FACULTY POSITION

The Division of Stroke and Cerebrovascular Disease at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) and Harvard Medical School (HMS) are searching for vascular neurologists with academic interests. Applicants must be ABPN-eligible or -certified in vascular neurology. Successful candidates are expected to participate in the clinical activities within the stroke program including time on the inpatient and consult stroke services and Telestroke, and to be involved in various research, outreach, and teaching activities of the stroke program. Academic rank as Instructor, Assistant or Associate Professor at Harvard Medical School will be commensurate with experience, training and achievements.

For more information about these positions, please contact Dr. Magdy Selim, Chief of the Stroke Division at BIDMC at mselim@bidmc.harvard.edu or (617-632-8913). For information about the BIDMC stroke program, please visit: http://www.bidmc.org/Centers-and-Departments/Departments/Neurology/Stroke-and-Cerebrovascular-Diseases.aspx

We are an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

MedStar Washington Hospital Center – Vascular Neurologist

MedStar is seeking an additional Vascular Neurologist to the largest Comprehensive Stroke Center in region.

- First in the Washington, D.C. region to be certified by the Joint Commission as a Comprehensive Stroke Center with ~1000 stroke inpatient visits per year
- A 926-bed not-for-profit, academic medical center located in the center of Washington, D.C.; the busiest and largest hospital in D.C. and a major referral center for area hospitals – also a Level I Trauma Center, Heart & Vascular Institute
- One of 10 hospitals in the MedStar Health system spanning D.C. and Baltimore, in addition to MedStar Health Research Institute, and MedStar Institute for Innovation
- Serves as a site within the NINDS StrokeNet Clinical Trials Network
- Serves as one of two sites of the NINDS intramural stroke program and its ACGME-accredited vascular neurology fellowship program
One of the primary teaching sites for the Georgetown Neurology Residency Program
Neurology is a joint department within the Georgetown University Dept of Neurology
Opportunities for research and academic appointment commensurate with experience

Join a robust, multidisciplinary, stable and growing team comprised of board-certified physicians in Vascular Neurology, Neurology, Neurocritical care, Interventional Neuroradiology/Neuroendovascular Surgery, Diagnostic Neuroradiology, and Neurosurgery. Infrastructure includes a stroke-dedicated 3T MRI proximate to Emergency Department, neuroICU, a telestroke program, and outpatient stroke clinics. Interest in participation in clinical stroke trials is desired.

Minimum requirements include an MD or DO, eligibility for medical licensure in the District of Columbia and Maryland, and board-eligible/board-certified in Vascular Neurology.

Please feel free to share this posting with colleagues including fellows.

Currently accepting applications and scheduling interviews – please send a letter of interest and curriculum vitae to:
Amie Hsia, MD at amie.hsia@medstar.net

Vascular Neurology Faculty Positions at UW in Seattle

The Department of Neurology at the University of Washington is seeking two neurologists with expertise in vascular neurology to join the Comprehensive Stroke Center at Harborview Medical Center.

The Stroke Program at Harborview represents a dynamic environment to practice Vascular Neurology, both inpatient and outpatient. We care for ~800 stroke inpatients every year, including a disproportionate number of severe ischemic and hemorrhagic strokes. A TeleStroke program is in place and expanding. All patients are cared for by resident teams, and ICU patients are co-managed with the intensivists. You will interact with an outstanding and dedicated group of eight Vascular Neurologists, two Interventional Neurosurgeons, two Interventional Neuroradiologists, and an outstanding Emergency Department with a large, multidisciplinary and engaged team.

These are both full-time appointments and will be at the Assistant Professor rank (without tenure for reasons due to funding, job code 0113) in the clinician-educator academic pathway, but candidates with exceptional qualifications may be considered for appointment at the rank of Associate Professor (without tenure for reasons due to funding, job code 0112) or Professor (without tenure for reasons due to funding, job code 0111).

Requirements include an MD or DO or foreign equivalent degree, eligibility for medical licensure in the State of Washington, and certification by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in Neurology and Vascular Neurology. In order to be eligible
for University sponsorship for an H-1B visa, graduates of foreign (non-U.S.) medical schools must show successful completion of all three steps of the U.S. Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE), or equivalent as determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Applicants should send a letter of interest and their curriculum vitae to:

Kass Klemz
Assistant to the Chairman
University of Washington Department of Neurology
Box 356465
Seattle, WA 98195
Email: kass@uw.edu

These positions are open until filled. University of Washington is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, protected veteran or disabled status, or genetic information.

For more information about StrokeNet employment opportunities, please visit http://nihstrokenet.org/education/employment-opportunities

Please share this with your clinical performing and satellite sites!
Contact: Jamey Frasure, PhD, RN, Director I NIH StrokeNet Coordinating Center I frasurje@ucmail.uc.edu I 513-558-1742
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