

## Welcome to Papworth Hospital Clinical Trials Unit

We're delighted to launch our brand new newsletter today filled with news of the exciting trials we are currently running in the Clinical Trials Unit and those we have coming up.

We'll be sending this out to you every quarter and we hope you'll find it interesting and useful but if you'd rather not receive it then please feel free to unsubscribe by scrolling to the end of the page and clicking the 'Unsubscribe' link.

Hopefully you won't want to do that just yet!

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## Exciting New Events

### Papworth Research Symposium

**Wednesday 8 November 2017**

**Papworth Village Hall, Papworth Hospital Campus**



We are delighted to be hosting the Papworth Research Symposium which will showcase and highlight some of the most up to date research findings and examine practicalities of conducting successful research projects. The day will include Rapid Fire Showcases, key note lectures and an all-day poster session and opportunities for networking.

Keynote speakers will include:

Professor Tariq Sethi - Head of Translational Medicine Unit - AstraZeneca

Dr James Clulow - Innovation Manager Health Enterprise East

Anna Ellis - Patient & Public Involvement Officer, Cambridge University Hospitals

Find out more about your colleagues' research and the opportunities available to you at Papworth Hospital.

For more information, to display a poster, or to present an abstract at the conference, contact: [christine.mills@nhs.net](mailto:christine.mills@nhs.net)

[Register here now](#)

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# Research Skills Course

22nd & 23rd November 2017

Papworth Hospital



This two day course will give you a useful introduction to the practice, methods, theories, regulations and key resources which clinical researchers can use to plan, design and conduct clinical research projects in the NHS. It is suitable for clinical researchers, clinical fellows, research nurses, research coordinators and research allied health professionals.

This course awards 12 credits from the Royal College of Physicians (UK) external CPD scheme.

The fee, for non-Papworth staff is £250.00.

The course is free for Papworth Hospital staff and offered at the discounted rate of £100 to all NHS employees within the CRN Eastern.

Find out what you will learn and book your place [here](#).

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## Breaking News

### ETTAA Study reaches 686 recruits



**Effective Treatments for Thoracic Aortic Aneurysms**  
A prospective cohort study

A huge thank you to the 28 ETTAA recruitment sites nationally who have worked hard to recruit 686 patients so far to the ETTAA study. Our target is 1100 by the end of July 2018 and we are working hard raise the profile of the study with NHS Trusts and appropriate charities across the country.

You can find out more about the ETTAA Study [here](#).

### New Studies:

**MesoTRAP** is a pilot clinical trial and feasibility study comparing video-assisted thoracoscopic partial pleurectomy/decortication with indwelling pleural catheter in patients with trapped lung due to malignant pleural mesothelioma designed to address recruitment and randomisation uncertainties and sample size requirements for a Phase III trial.

- Sponsor Papworth NHS Trust
- Start Date 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017
- Pilot to run for 18 months
- 16 UK NHS sites looking to take part
- 38 patients to be recruited into the Pilot study

You can find out more about the MesoTRAP Study [here](#).

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## Papworth Research Nurse assists in pioneering 'micro-anchors' treatment at Papworth offering Cambridge man a lifeline



Papworth Research Nurse Saji Victor has recently supported Consultant Surgeon Mr Steven Tsui and Consultant Cardiologist Dr Michael O'Sullivan in a pioneering treatment for a Cambridge heart attack victim who was too unwell to undergo a heart transplant.

In a hospital first, Clive Reams, 60, underwent the BioVentrix Revivent TC System procedure, in which a large aneurysm which had developed after a heart attack was folded away and excluded from the heart's left ventricle using 'micro-anchors' – similar in appearance to stationery treasury tags - that can be inserted into the body without the need for open-heart surgery.

If left untreated, the stretched scar tissue, or aneurysm, zaps the power from the heart and weakens its ability to pump blood around the body.

Read more about this pioneering treatment [here](#).

Or you can watch the ITV News Report [here](#).

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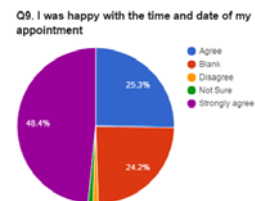
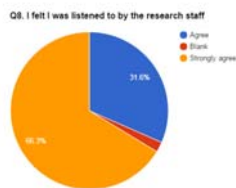
## Patient Experience Report 2016/17

### Papworth R&D achieves excellent results.

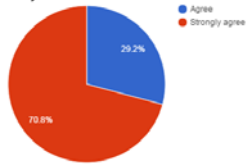


For the third year running, the NIHR Clinical Research Network Eastern carried out a Patient Experience Questionnaire (PEQ). The purpose of this was to capture the patient experience of research in multiple settings, organisations and research studies across the Eastern Region. The information collected will be used to continuously improve the patient experience.

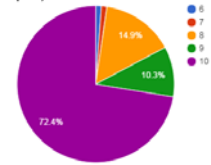
Take a closer look at some of our results below and if you'd like to read more you can click [here](#)



Q4. It was explained to me that my care would not change if I decided not to take part in the study



17. Overall, how would you rate your experience of taking part in research? (10-excellent to 1-poor)



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## Don't Forget...

### We don't want you to be disappointed!

Book your place on the **Research Skills Course** which will be held at Papworth Hospital on 21st and 22nd November 2017.

Places are limited.

Here's what previous attendees said:

*"Gave a good insight into the research process".*

*"Equipped me with the right tools for research."*

[Click here to book your place.](#)

And of course, we would love you to come and meet us at the **Papworth Symposium** on the 8th November 2017.

[Click here to find out about our fantastic speakers and book your place.](#)

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