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# The NIHR Clinical Research Network - Delivering Contract Research in the NHS

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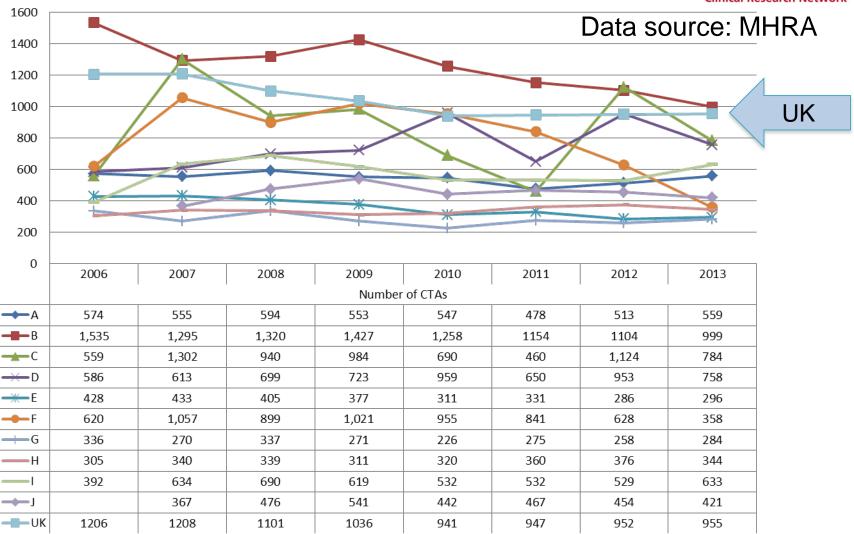
## What's new and how we respond



- Environment- NHS and Research
- Technology- Opportunities
- Future Network direction

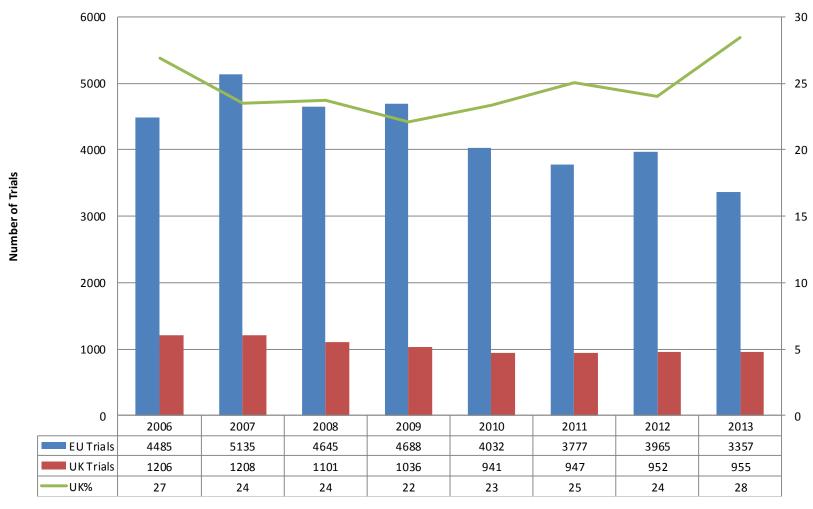
# EU total clinical trials: all phases







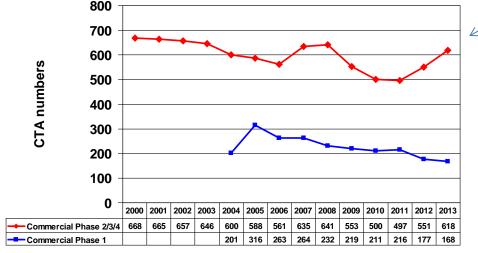
## UK v EU new trials by year All Phases



#### Number of CTA 2006-2012 All Phases Non-Commercial vs Commercial

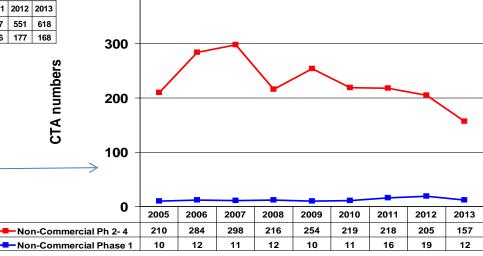


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Data demonstrates a sustained increase in the number of Commercial Phase 2-4 studies since 2011

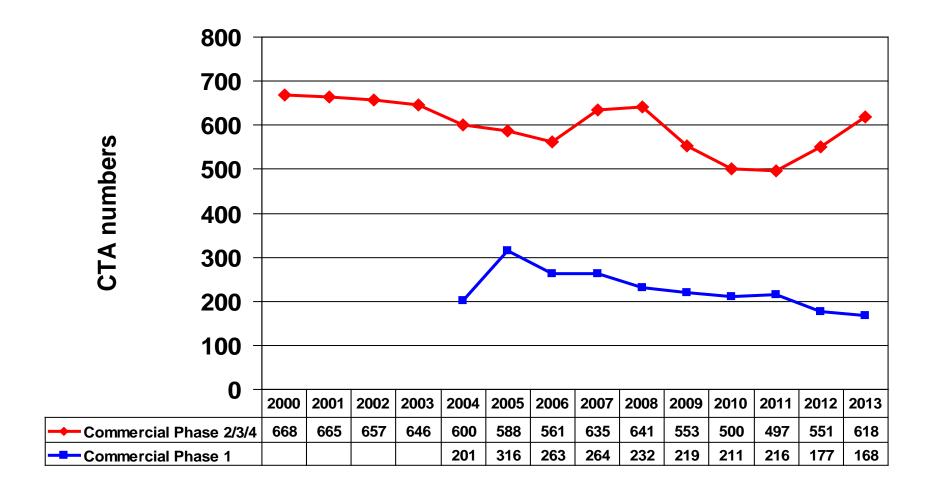
Data demonstrates a decline in the number of Non-Commercial Phase 2-4 studies since 2011



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## Number of UK commercial trial applications received Source MHRA

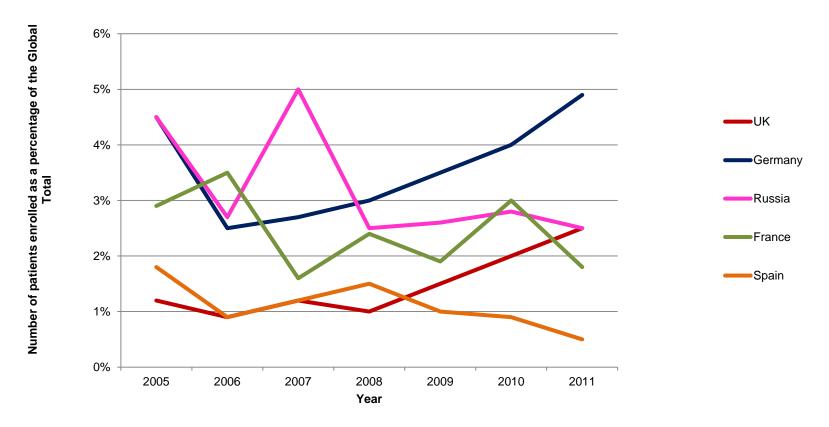




#### UK v the world



• Patient enrolment per year, by country as a percentage of the Global Total.

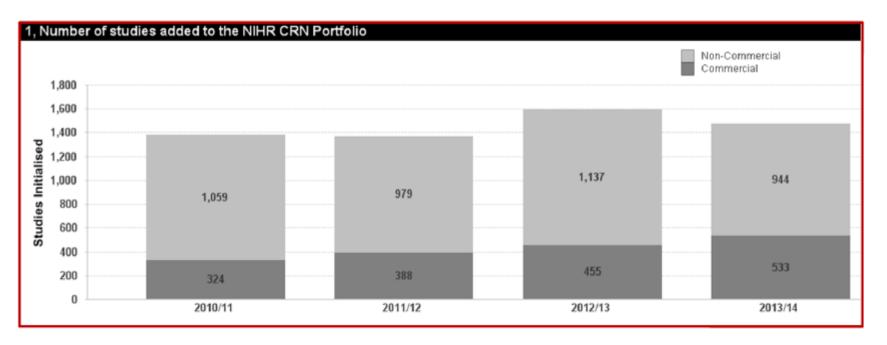


Data source: Anonymous CRO - there is no single source for patient recruitment data, however, this graph shows where **one leading CRO** is choosing to put their studies

#### Number of Studies on NIHR CRN Portfolio



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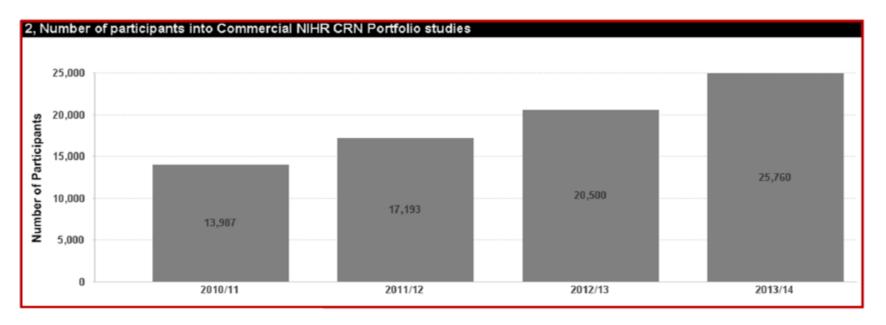
n = Number of Studies

Initialised = study record entered onto the portfolio database, not study open for recruitment

#### Number of participants recruited into studies



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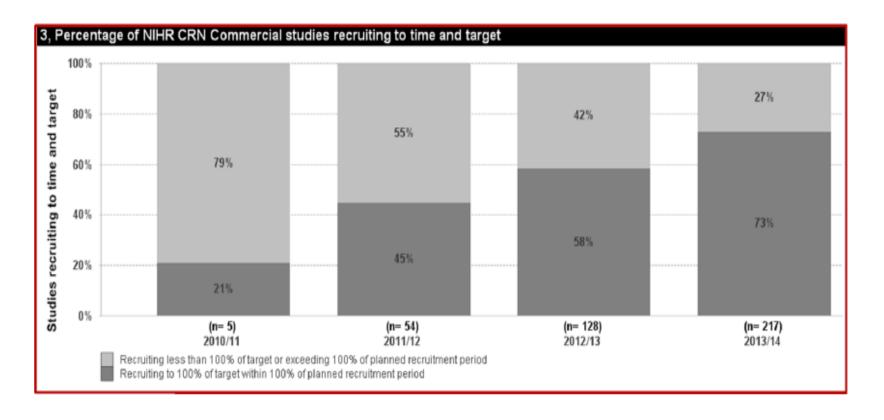


n = Number of participants

#### Percentage of NIHR CRN Portfolio Commercial studies National Institute for Delivering to Time and Target



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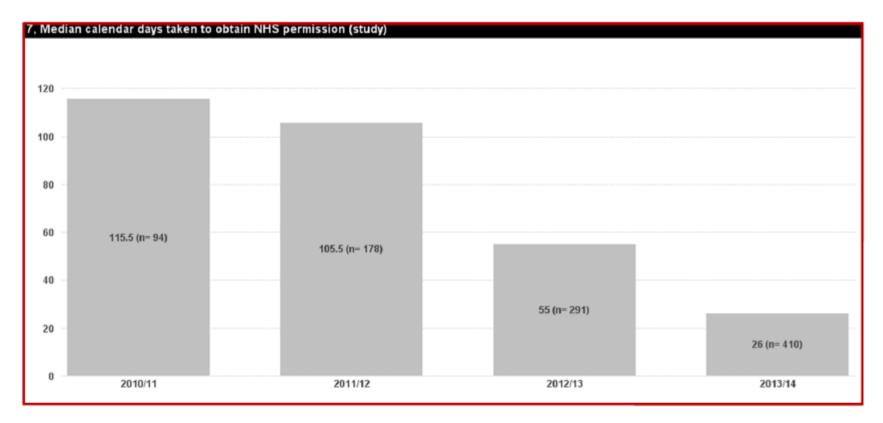
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25% increase on performance in 2012/13



#### Median Calendar Days Taken to Obtain NHS Permission

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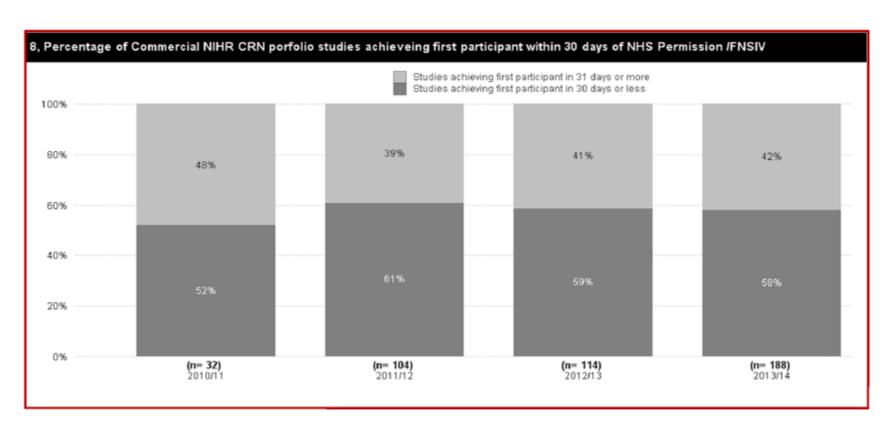
This is the median of total time to obtain study-wide approval and the time taken to obtain local NHS permission at each site for each study

n = Number of Studies

## Percentage of Commercial NIHR CRN Portfolio Studies Achieving First Participant within 30 Days of NHS Permission/FNSIV



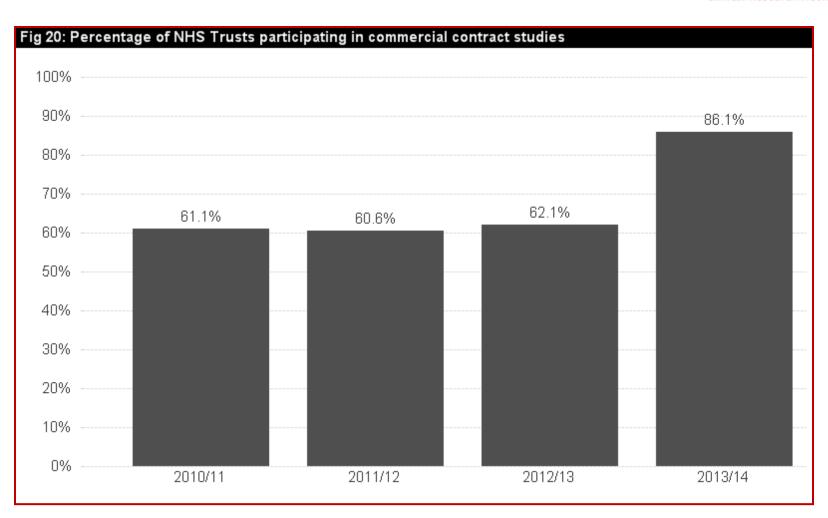
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## NHS Engagement with Industry







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## NIHR CRN SERVICE OFFERINGS TO INDUSTRY



#### Disruptive Innovation.....

- New web based feasibility service launched in May 2013
- Offers 3 key services developed in conjunction with Industry
- Provides complimentary value add intelligence to boost company feasibility
- Utilises wealth of CRN experience and past performance data
- Improves predictability of delivery
- Joint evidence based target setting

## Feasibility services

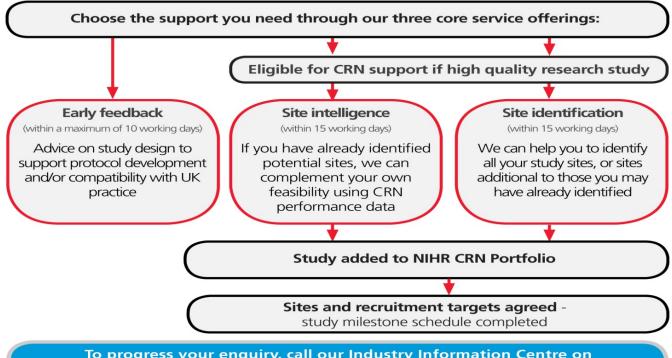


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#### NIHR CRN commercial feasibility services



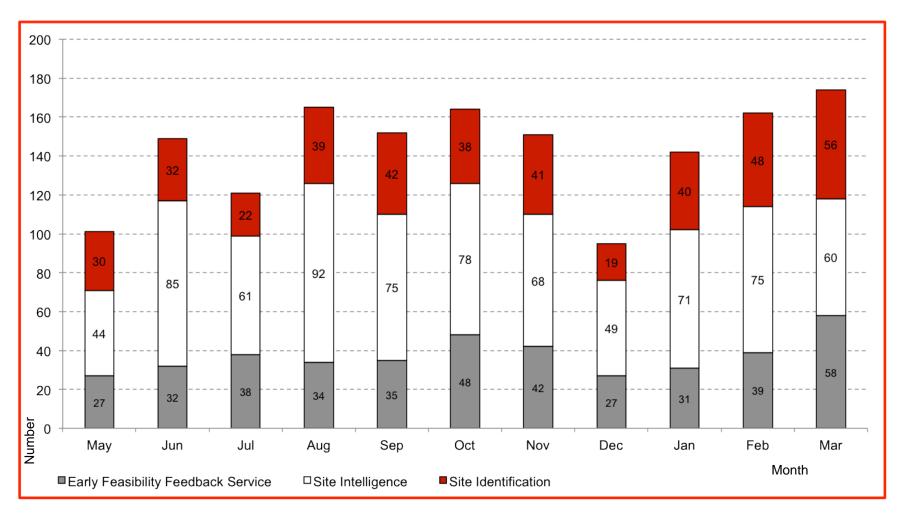
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## National Institute for Health Research

#### Number of IAG Service Requests / Month

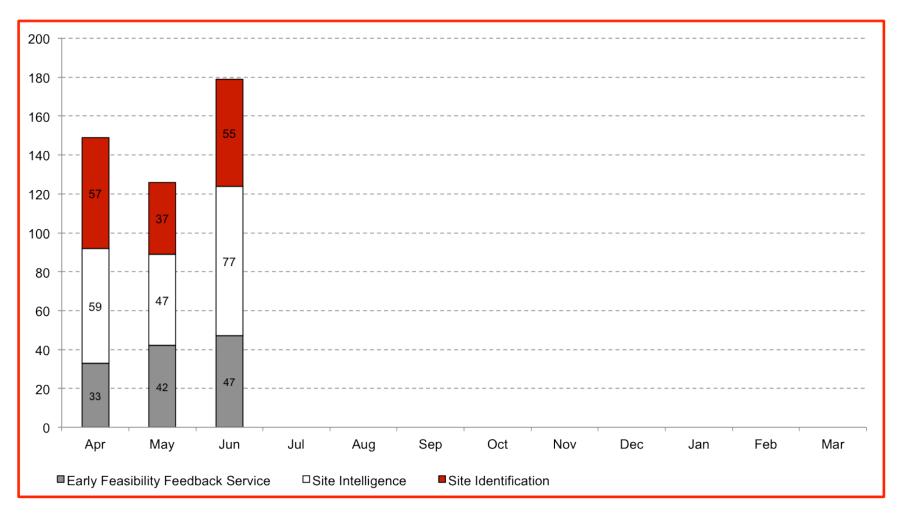


Equates to 1115 unique Study Protocols, 2030 individual service requests to date

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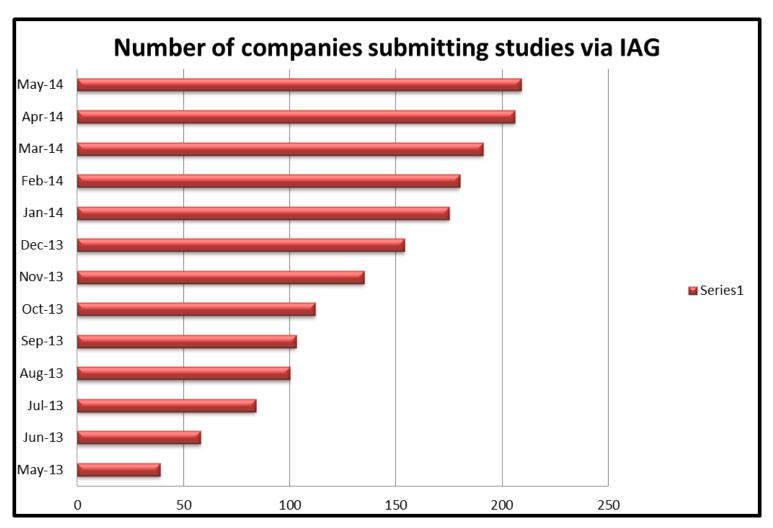


June applications reached a record high since service launch

## Number of Unique Companies Requesting Feasibility Services



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NB Cumulative totals shown each month

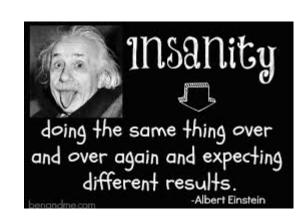
## Anatomy of Life Sciences Industry Partnership



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- Effective and regular communication
- Timely escalation of issues
- Clear and mutually agreed targets
- Equal responsibility for training and dissemination of best practice among teams
- Commitment to joint performance management

Readiness to do things differently



## Proof of the Partnership



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 35 global first patients in 2013/14 demonstrates global competitiveness

 "This is all about partnership with NIHR and local research Network colleagues and team work, working better together nationally which will continue our success in a difficult marketplace. Fast start up can only lead to more trials placed in the UK, better patient outcomes and experience of new medicines."

## Helping you to get the best out of us



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#### **Network Experts**

We want companies and Contract Research Organisations to fully understand the nature of the support we provide, and how to access it.

So far we've trained **68** Network Experts from **45** companies to act as in-house advisors



## Shaping the Future



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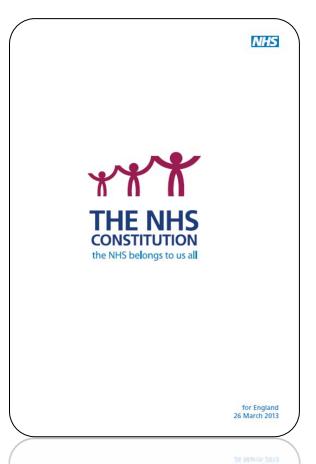
- Evolve to remain smart and respond to changing landscape
- A critical aspect of achieving improved performance relied on the CRN doing things differently –with great results
- Quality- high performing research teams
- Going Global- Business Development-Championing the NIHR and the NHS

Networking Locally, Delivering Globally

#### National Institute for Health Research

## The new NHS Constitution for England

- A commitment to promote, conduct and use research to improve the current and future health and care of the population is enshrined in NHS England's seven key principles
- New pledge to use anonymised information to support research and improve care for others
- A commitment to inform patients of research studies in which they may be eligible to participate



#### Patients and Public



- Engagement at all levels of research
- NETSCC- developing in areas of NHS priority
- Charity and Industry focus
- Delivery
- Transparency of results

#### New Technology



- Personalised medicines
- Adaptive trial designs
- Big data
- Crowd sourcing
- Adaptive licensing

## Future: personalized/genomic medicine

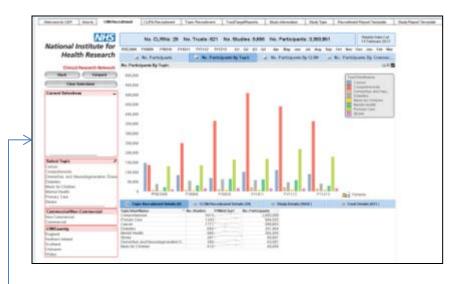


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#### Stratified medicines:

- Intensive genotyping and phenotyping
- Larger number of smaller studies: multi-centre and specialist in nature
- Fewer patients required but harder to find; use of technology for feasibility becomes key
- Current "individual" Trust approval model may be unsustainable where only a few patients will be recruited at each centre; reciprocal model of R&D may become essential





- Big Data stitches data sources together: volume, velocity, variety
- Clinical Practice Research Datalink: NIHR supported; will give the UK a unique selling point for researchers
- Clinical Research Network: linking Portfolio with NHS datasets to assist study feasibility
- CRN open data platform: dashboard tools to make our data more useful – available from summer

# BI6 data





#### "Real world" studies



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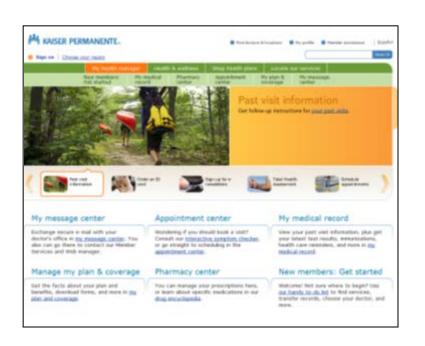




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## Role of www in patient recruitment





- Highly-sophisticated online patient recruitment, selfmonitoring and support systems now in place
- Role of social media in driving patients to study sites
- UK Clinical Trials Gateway developing in that direction
- Customer route to research may be different in the future: patients take initiative

#### Aims for the future



- Over the next year:
  - Deliver CPMS and LPMS
  - Continue performance improvement
  - Further Improve commercial performance
- Over the next 5 years
  - Standardise
  - Modernise and adapt
  - Embrace new technology

#### Conclusion



- Network has changed and adapted
- Great opportunities but we will have to continue to change
- We need to develop an offering which is clear to all our stakeholders

#### It is about patients



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The new treatment has given me hope. If it is successful, it will be better than winning the lottery.

Network clinical trial patient

