

Thank you for keeping up the good work!

The recruitment of controls has gone well, we now have 519 controls. Three more centers - namely Peterborough, Oulu, and Nijmegen - joined **the 100% Patients: Controls Team**. This is excellent progress!

Please do your best to have the remaining controls recruited as soon as possible.

Data monitoring

We are constantly monitoring the database and continue to send queries to the Sites. We also individually approach all centres with delayed data entries. Please do your best to respond to them swiftly.

Important reminder about shipping the samples

Please read carefully the attached instructions for sending the samples to FIMM. It is of utmost importance to inform Ms. Tiina Vesterinen in advance so that she can make sure that there is someone in the laboratory receiving the samples.

Data analysis and article design meeting

At least patient baseline and 3-month follow-up data as well as data from the recruited controls should be reviewed and entered into OpenClinica by the end of this month. Baseline data lock cannot be done and analysis cannot be initiated until this step is completed.

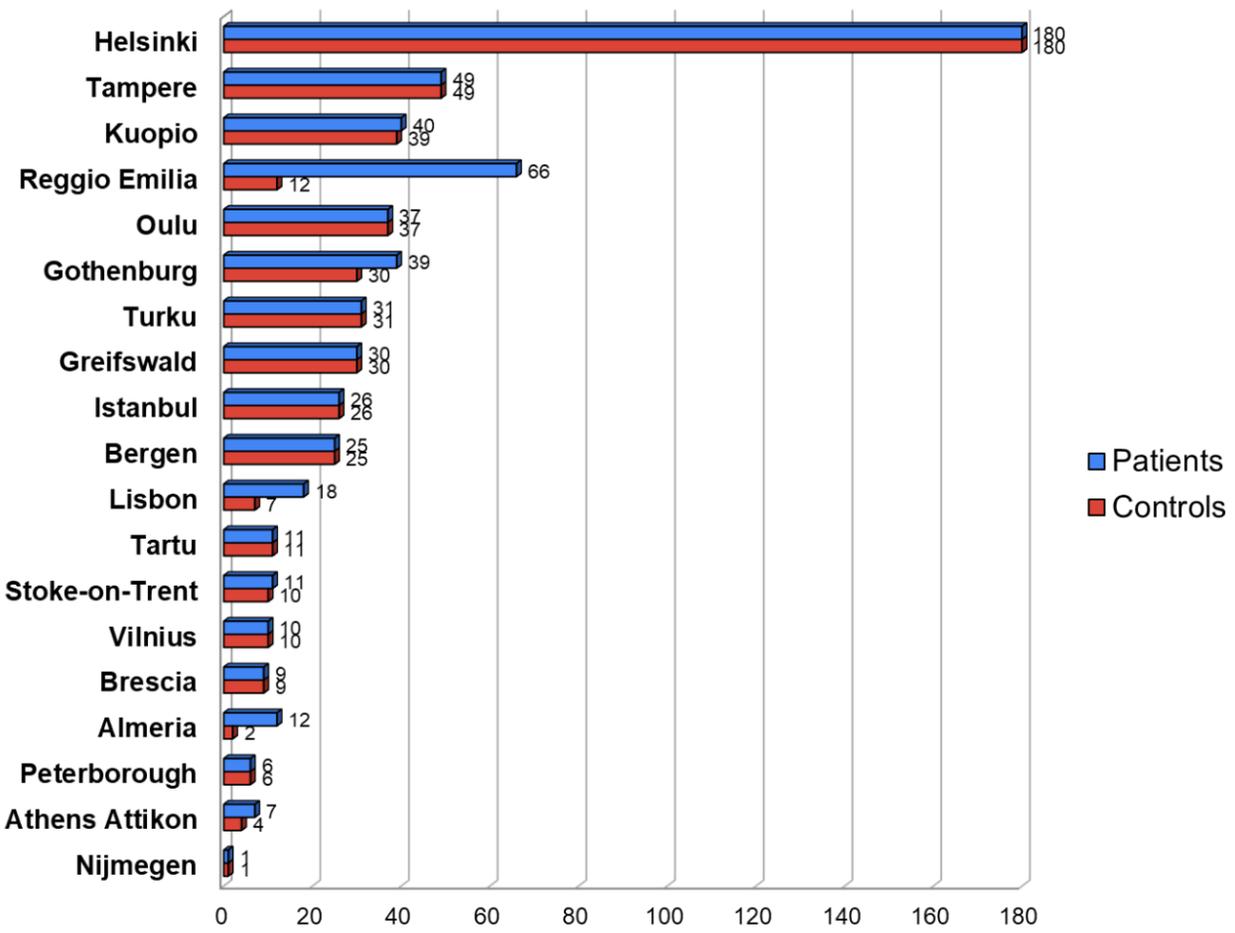
Organising the data is a laborious process, so it makes sense to schedule the first article meeting only after at least the baseline patient data is ready so that we are able to look into the basic features of the data.

Follow-up of patients

Following up the patients systematically is of utmost importance so that we can assess the risks of recurrent events and their predictors accurately. All relevant outcomes must be reported and sent to central adjudication.

NB! The first occurrence of atrial fibrillation should be reported even if it occurs soon after a PFO closure.

Recap of recruitment by center, March 2022



Controls : patients ratio by center, March 2022

