

As the summer slowly turns to autumn, it is time for the final countdown.

Last month we shared with you a recent, important paper from the Oxford Vascular Group (JAMA 2022;328:563-74). In that study, the proportion of young stroke/TIA patients without known vascular risk factors increased significantly over time—particularly in patients with cryptogenic events.

With the SECRETO Study, we have a unique opportunity to find answers to many open questions related to cryptogenic strokes in the young. To get it done, we need to recruit the remaining approx. 60 control subjects to and enter the baseline data into OpenClinica as soon as possible.

If you have problems in meeting the requirements of the study protocol in a timely manner, please contact us without delay. We'll then try to find a solution together.

Deadlines

CONTROL RECRUITMENT — PENDING

The desired deadline has passed. Please do everything you can to recruit the remaining control subjects. Perhaps you could find matching controls within your family and/or colleagues, or share information about the study on social media!

ECHO DATA TO BERGEN — PASSED

The deadline has passed. Please make sure to send all your participants' echo data to the Echo Core Lab at earliest convenience.

IMAGING DATA TO GRAZ — PASSED

The deadline has passed. If you have not yet sent the neuroimaging data to the Imaging Core Lab, please do so now.

Virtual Steering Committee Meeting

We are planning on scheduling a meeting for the Site-PIs sometime in late September — early October. The purpose of the meeting is to look at the preliminary basic data and discuss the future manuscripts.

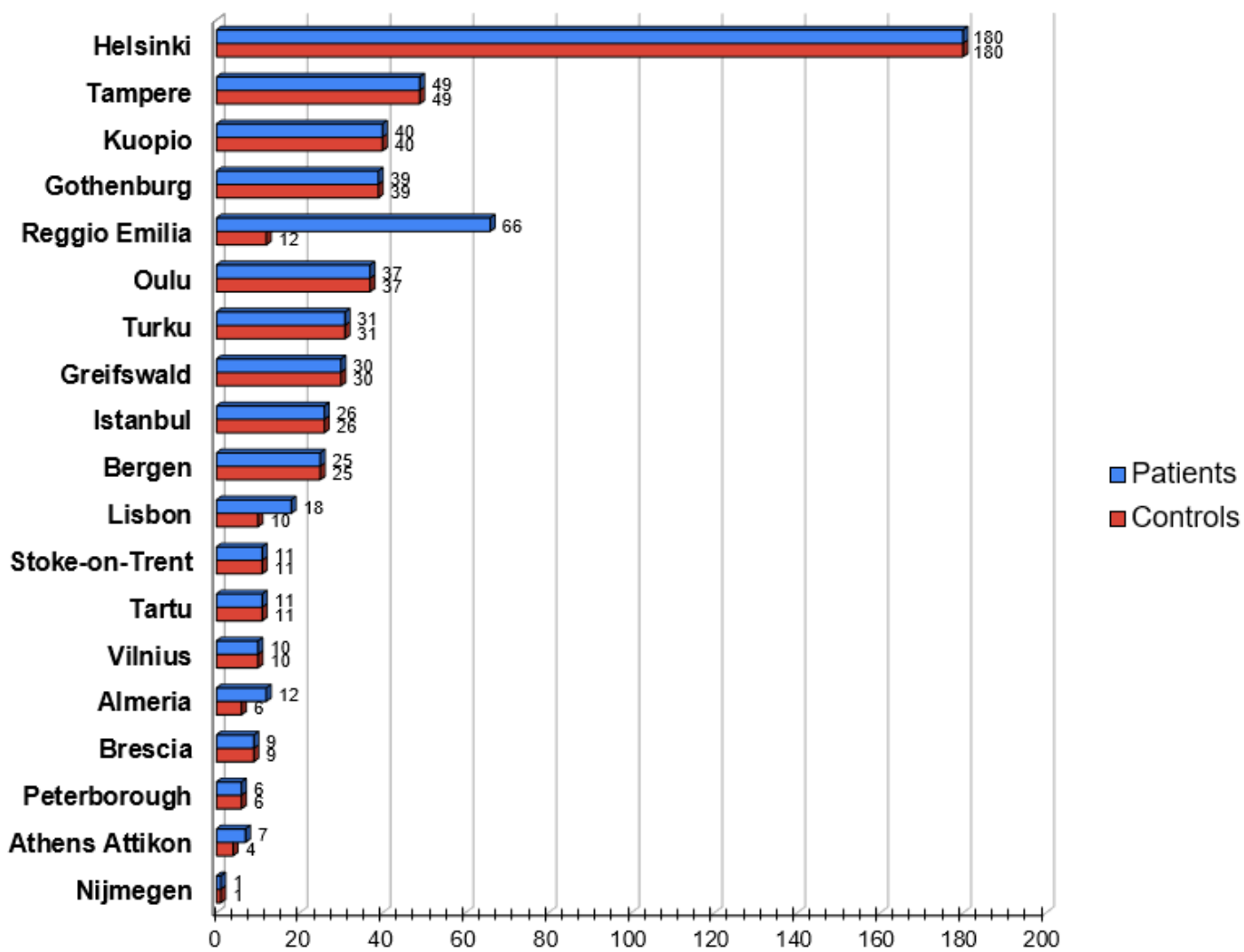
A separate doodle poll will be sent to the PIs to pick the optimal time.

Follow-up, follow-up!

Do your best to maintain timely follow-up of your patients to ensure good quality of the data.



Recap of recruitment by center, August 2022



Controls : patients ratio by center, August 2022

