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10th Annual Outsourcing in Clinical Trials UK & Ireland 2023

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'Welcome to the 10th Annual Outsourcing in Clinical Trials UK & Ireland Conference 2023'

This exclusive event brings together attendees from established pharma, large and small, alongside biopharmaceutical companies and gives opportunity to dive into the operational challenges and innovations in clinical development found within the UK & Ireland

2023 Speakers

Lord James O'Shaughnessy, Member of the House of Lords, former Health Minister, Senior Partner at Newmarket Strategy Prof Lucy Chappell, Chief Scientific Adviser, Department of Health and Social Care

Dr Janet Messer, Director of Approvals Service, Health Research Authority (HRA)

Nigel Blackburn, Director of Drug Development, Cancer Research UK

Ian Bruce, Director, NIHR Manchester Biomedical Research Centre

Emma Challans-Rasool, Chair & Founder of Proud2bOps

Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director Capability Building, Global Clinical Operations, GSK

Abi Hunter, Senior Director Head of Clinical Sampling, AstraZeneca

Prof Sandip Mitra, Deputy Director, NIHR Devices for Dignity MedTech Co-operative and Consultant Nephrologist &

Professor of Renal Medicine, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

Sverre Bengtsson, Co-Founder, Senior Vice President Strategic Relations, Viedoc

James Rudge, Technical Director, Neoteryx

Oliver Buckley-Mellor, Innovation and Research Policy Manager (Clinical), The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI)

Neelam Patel, CEO, MedCity

Erica White, Director of Innovation, Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust Roman Fishchuk, Head of Clinical Trials Department, Central City Clinical Hospital, Ukraine

Martin Edobor, Clinical Lead for Digital Transformation, NHS North East London

Romain Bejot, VP CMC & Supply, Blue Earth Diagnostics

Nina Skorytchenko, CEO, Avenna

Surbhi Gupta, Head of Regulatory Affairs, Thriva

Dr Suki Balendra PhD, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Paddington Life Sciences. Life sciences Lead for the NIHR CRN

Northwest London, Board Advisor

Marisa Papaluca, Expert medicines regulatory adviser. Former Senior Scientific Adviser, European Medicines Agency, and, Visiting Professor, Imperial College London

Greig Duncan, Solution Sales Specialist - Clinical Operations, Medidata

Krzysztof Potempa, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Braincures

Bob Stevens, Patient Advocate, Group CEO, MPS Society & Rare Disease Research Partners Vice Chair, LSD

Collaborative Co-Chair, International MPS Network

Antoine Vigneau, Senior Director, Biosamples Head of Alliances and Technology, AstraZeneca

Becky Purvis, Director of Policy and Partnership, Health Research Authority (HRA)

Angela Ibald, Real World Evidence leader Emmes

Davy Yeung, COO, TCRS

Achilleas Zaras, Senior Manager, Solution Consulting, eClinical Solutions

Nicola Yallup, Head of Business Development and Marketing, NIHR Clinical Research Network

Dr. Claudia Hesselmann, Founder and CEO, Arensia

Jennifer Duff, General Manager, Zelta Clinical Trials Solutions, (Merative)

Rachel Haines, Director of Clinical Operations, Rinri Therapeutics

Shaun Cochrane, Deputy Director R&D, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

Ameeta Retzer, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Lead, National Institute of Health and Care Research Applied Research Collaboration West Midlands

Siobhan McKenna-Power, Client Services Lead, 4G Clinical

Callum Leavers, Associate Portfolio Director, YPrime Willie Muehlhausen, Co-Founder, Safira Clinical Research Limited

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Outsourcing in Clinical Trials UK and Ireland 2023

DAY 1 – 5th September 2023

8:00	Registration and refreshments
8:50	Chairperson's opening remarks Quentin Horgan, Associate Director of Drug Intelligence, GlobalData
	KEYNOTE with Q&A
9:00	Future of UK Clinical Research: Achieving Our Vision In this keynote presentation, Lucy Chappell, Chief Scientific Adviser to the Department of Health and Social Care and CEO of the National Institute of Health and Social Care Research, will discuss the achievements that have been accomplished to recover and improve the clinical trials ecosystem post-pandemic. The talk will be structured based on the five visions of The Future of UK Clinical Research Delivery's implementation plan, which includes, streamlined, efficient and innovative research; clinical research embedded in the NHS; patient-centred research; research enabled by data and digital tools; a sustainable an supported research workforce.
	Prof Lucy Chappell, Chief Scientific Adviser, Department of Health and Social Care
	Leveraging local relationships for best in-country solutions to accelerate global drug development
9:30	 Partnering with a CRO to access European infrastructure, in depth local knowledge, site relationships and diverse patient populations Strategies to fast-track clinical trial start-up and patient recruitment timelines Are you ready for EU CTR? Challenges and lessons learned
	David Chia, Senior Business Development Manager, Novotech Diana Filipescu, Business Development Manager, EastHORN, - A Novotech Company
10:00	Busting RBQM Myths: Practical Tools for Proactive Data Quality Management in Clinical Trials
	It's time to bust the myths of managing data quality in today's complex clinical trials. The explosion of digital capabilities to collect and monitor data remotely is truly disrupting traditional paradigms and opening up opportunities to improve patient, sponsor, and site outcomes
	However, as companies embrace digitalization, patient safety oversight and data reliability are the top concerns. Risk-based quality management (RBQM) strategies are increasingly used for decentralized trials to ensure data integrity and quality when various data types are collected and integrated from disparate sources. The industry still needs clarification about how best to implement these strategies in repeatable and scalable ways.
	Join us as we "bust" five myths about data quality oversight and provide practical guidance on establishing effective clinical operations strategies to support the complexity of today's clinical trials.
	Greig Duncan, Solution Sales Specialist - Clinical Operations, Medidata
0:30	Morning refreshments and networking sponsored by Aixial



	Chair: Emma Challans-Rasool, Chair & Founder, Proud2bOps	Chair: Quentin Horgan, Associate Director of Drug Intelligence, GlobalData
11:00	Diversity in Finding New Medicines Discussing how diversity affects medical research Focusing on the importance of diversity in health research Why is diversity needed in clinical trials for the advancement of medicine? Strategies for achieving IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access) in UK Clinical Trials Recognising steps the FDA have taken to address unrepresented minority groups in US clinical trials – can/should the UK expect to follow suit? Dr Suki Balendra PhD, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Paddington Life Sciences. Life sciences Lead for the NIHR CRN North West London, Board Advisor Neelam Patel, Non-exec director Health Research Authority, former CEO MedCity, Advisor	Data to Drive Sustainability Collecting and using data to make decisions that guide measurable and responsible clinical practices • What is sustainability data collection? • Discussing how data is useful for sustainable developmen • Focusing on how to manage sustainability data Antoine Vigneau, Senior Director, Biosamples Head of Alliances and Technology, AstraZeneca
11:30	Spare a thought for the hospitals as they are essential in delivering your clinical trial Do you spend enough time understanding all your clinical sites? Are you managing them correctly? How are you motivating them to deliver on your clinical study? Davy Yeung, COO, TCRS	Quality eCOA: On Time and Within Budget. How Partnering with Specialists Achieves This for Any Sponsor Project Clinical research is a team sport. The combined YPrime and Safira teams will outline how we partner to ensure delivery of a quality eCOA solution that is built for your specific protocol needs. Our combined specialized experience supports ontime and high-quality delivery, whilst reducing the burden on Sponsor teams Callum Leavers, Associate Portfolio Director, YPrime Willie Muehlhausen, Co-Founder, Safira Clinical Research Limited
12:00	Operational Management and Clinicians: Leaders change culture-culture changes organisations In this session we will take the opportunity to reflect and learn from the lived experiences of our speaker, supported by tangible examples of culture transformation and organisational effectiveness. In exploring this, we will together consider the role of operational managers, and clinical leaders in influencing culture, leading by the shoulder of others and how through shared vision and values you can help improve the effectiveness of an organisation. Our aim is for you to learn, be curious and leave with energy and	How precision medicine technologies can be used as complementary diagnostics to optimise clinical trial efficiency



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Inflammatory drug development with

and recognise the value of collaborative leadership in challenging GlyHealth biomarkers (stronger evidence, better selection, and higher approval rates for drugs) times. Optimising clinical trial efficiency with reliable, precision medicine biomarkers for Chronic Emma Challans-Rasool, Chair & Founder of Proud2bOps Inflammatory Diseases (cIDs) Nina Skorytchenko, CEO, Avenna Hybrid trials using DCT technology and processes; focus on Implementation Science in biomedical research: patients and the sites Implementation Science is a relatively new field of research to Highlighting the complexity that Hybrid/DCT brings whilst promote the systematic uptake of research findings and other moving away from the common brick-and-mortar sites. evidence-based practices into routine practice. It aims to improve Discussing the rise in regulator concerns in areas such as the quality and effectiveness of health services including the study of influences on healthcare professional and organisational behaviour. investigator oversight, and participant's safety when face The session will provide insight to Evidence as a foundation for to face contact is limited. Implementation Science by: How we tend to focus too much on technology when it's 12:30 Outlining the different types of evidence actually the processes for the patients and the sites that Discussing evidence translation strategies for matter even more. dissemination and Implementation including stakeholder Major points to consider in designing hybrid/DCT trials; and types of dissemination and implementation strategies building blocks and practical examples to best prepare you Highlighting challenges in implementing evidence-based to meet the needs of regulators whilst keeping the patient guidelines and policies into routine practice and sites front of mind. Angela Ibald, Real World Evidence leader Emmes Sverre Bengtsson, Co-Founder, Senior Vice President Strategic Relations, Viedoc 13:00 Lunch and networking **Delivering trials through NHS Organisations** INTERACTIVE SESSION This workshop will explore different approaches and strategies As Research Lead for the NHS Trust Manchester Royal Infirmary at for putting patients at the centre when collecting samples for Manchester University Hospitals, one of the largest NHS hospital decentralised and hybrid clinical trials trusts in UK, Professor Sandip Mitra has been involved in delivering research trials for 15+ yrs working in partnership with industry and Primer on costs of centralised trials and how external stakeholders. He understands the growing need to interact decentralisation helps to reduce costs and drive recruitment with commercial organisations and research platforms and how to successfully engage with NHS systems and clinical teams to deliver Discuss benefits of decentralised clinical trials 14:00 Discuss challenges research What does the future look like? This session will cover the following: Navigating through NHS James Rudge, Technical Director, Neoteryx systems and pathways for efficient delivery of R&I trials Professor Sandip Mitra, Deputy Director, NIHR MedTech Cooperative D4D, Consultant Nephrologist & Professor of Medicine,



Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

The Landscape of Precision and Personalized Medicine (PM) Clinical Trials: This presentation will highlight: • The competitive landscape of PM indicating the top industry sponsors, CROS, non-industry sponsors, regions and countries leading the way • The research landscape of PM included the top therapy areas, indications, drugs in PM clinical trials • Use of virtual components in PM studies • Leading causes of trial termination/suspension/withdrawal (Low accrual, financial, business/strategic decision) Sonnika Lamont, GlobalData Analyst – Trials Intelligence, GlobalData

Running Up That Hill: Accelerate Cycle Times & Reach Patients Faster with elluminate

This presentation will highlight how the elluminate Clinical Data Cloud and Biometrics Services can reshape your data architecture by automating data flows to keep up with the pace of data evolution and speed time to insights.

Learn how elluminate and eClinical's Biometrics Services deliver:

- Operational insights across numerous data sources that provides definitive answers and analytics on enrollment, protocol compliance and safety
- Improved study oversight with a holistic view of risk across all data sources
- 50 out-of-the-box visualizations to support cross-study analysis for deeper insights with self-service access to clinical and operational analytics
- Increased productivity across data management, medical monitoring, clinical operations, clinical programming and statistical analysis roles

Achilleas Zaras, Senior Manager, Solution Consulting, eClinical Solutions

Featured toolkit coverage: Capturing a representative and equitable sample in health research

- Research participants often do not represent the target population for treatment, limiting generalisability of research findings and perpetuating health inequalities
- The Toolkit addresses this by providing guidance to inform representative and equitable inclusion in research
- Use of the Toolkit may promote trust between communities and research institutions, increase participation in, and improve generalisability of health research

Ameeta Retzer, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Lead, National Institute of Health and Care Research Applied Research Collaboration West Midlands

PANEL DISCUSSION Focusing on today's Innovation & Technological Advancements

- Are we making the most of Technology & Innovation in the UK & Ireland Clinical Trial space?
- How are these tools being utilised?
- What's next?
- Considering the use of AI in healthcare & Clinical Trials

Moderator: **Quentin Horgan**, Associate Director of Drug Intelligence, **GlobalData**

Panelists:

15:00

What are the different outsourcing relationships and how do

- What are the categories and the driving needs for 2024?
- How has this changed over the years?
- Key strategies that sponsor companies have how has this changed?
- Did the pandemic effect these strategies?

Moderator: **Emma Challans-Rasool**, *Chair & Founder*, **Proud2bOps**



PANEL DISCUSSION

you manage them?

Panelists: Krzysztof Potempa, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, **Braincures** John McEvoy, General Counsel, Amryt Pharma Martin Edobor, Clinical Lead for Digital Transformation, NHS North Roman Fishchuk, Head of Clinical Trials Department, Central City **East London** Clinical Hospital, Ukraine Marisa Papaluca, Expert medicines regulatory adviser. Former Nina Skorytchenko, CEO, Avenna Senior Scientific Adviser, European Medicines Agency and, Visiting Professor, Imperial College London Greig Duncan, Solution Sales Specialist - Clinical Operations, Medidata 15:30 Afternoon refreshments and networking Charting a Course through Complexity: Leveraging Experience in Approaching Complex Clinical Trial Protocols The landscape of clinical trials has undergone a remarkable transformation with the introduction of eClinical solutions, fundamentally reshaping day-to-day processes from traditional approaches. Automation and the integration of cutting-edge technologies are now the standard for clinical trial teams. However, amidst these advancements, the core requirements and understanding essential for running successful clinical trials remain steadfast. Experience emerges as the primary predictor of success – experience with protocol designs, study team and site expectations, and best standard practices. 16:00 Join Siobhan McKenna-Power, an industry veteran with 20 years of expertise in designing and delivering regulated systems, as she delves into the intricate distinctions involved in delivering these sophisticated solutions and why experience is critical. Discover how mastery of these crucial elements can be the key to achieving the successful implementation of technology solutions supporting modern clinical trials. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the perfect blend of cutting-edge technology and invaluable experience that can revolutionise the future of clinical trials. Siobhan McKenna-Power, Client Services Lead, 4G Clinical **Closing Keynote** The Patients Perspective Helping patients on their clinical trial journey Living with a rare disease 16:30 Patient expectations & considerations Proven approaches to increase patient retention in clinical trials Focusing on the future of patients in clinical trials Bob Stevens, Patient Advocate, Group CEO, MPS Society & Rare Disease Research Partners Vice Chair, LSD Collaborative Co-Chair, International MPS Network Chairperson's closing remarks followed by Drinks Reception 17:00

END OF DAY 1 AND NETWORKING DRINKS RECEPTION SPONSORED BY TFS HealthScience



Emma Challans-Rasool, Chair & Founder, Proud2bOps

Outsourcing in Clinical Trials UK and Ireland 2023 DAY 2 – 6th September 2023 8:00 Registration and refreshments Chairperson's opening remarks 8:50 Chair: Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director Capability Building, Global Clinical Operations, GSK OPENING KEYNOTE: CLINICAL TRIAL REVIEW In early 2023 Lord James O'Shaughnessy was commissioned by the Government to carry out an independent review of commercial clinical trials in the UK, which was published in May. The review offers recommendations on how commercial 9:00 clinical trials can help the life sciences sector unlock UK growth and investment opportunities. It also advises on how to resolve key challenges in conducting commercial clinical trials in the UK. Lord James O'Shaughnessy, Member of the House of Lords, former Health Minister, Senior Partner at Newmarket Strategy Accelerated performance of complex exploratory patient studies: practical insights from investigational site Unique model of dedicated research clinics in Eastern Europe Strategies for fast patient enrollment and retention Operational tips for flawless study conduct 9:30 Takeaways after operating under unprecedented circumstances / case studies Dr. Claudia Hesselmann, Founder and CEO, Arensia How NIHR infrastructure can enhance industry and commercial collaboration in clinical trials: the Greater Manchester Example Outline of current NIHR Infrastructure How NIHR infrastructure can support industry collaborations 10:00 Post Covid RESET and research recovery Ian Bruce, Director, NIHR Manchester Biomedical Research Centre Rethinking Sponsor Oversight in a Digital First World The transition from a manual, paper-based approach to a digital first approach in clinical trials opens new opportunities for sponsors to achieve enhanced oversight on study progress, quality, and patient safety. This session will address how data insights generated from digital first clinical trials: 10:30 Increase speed and transparency Redefine site engagement



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11:00 Morning refreshments and networking STREAM A: Clinical Operations and Outs Chair: Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director O Building, Global Clinical Operations, G: Protecting Our Planet: Minimising carbon impact in	Capability Chair: Quentin Horgan, Associate Director of Dru Intelligence, GlobalData Regulatory considerations for Remote Diagnostics in
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	Human Regulatory considerations for Remote Diagnostics in
Biosample lifecycle in clinical trials	Decentralised clinical trials
 Focusing on the minimization of our carbon for Human samples in clinical trials Finding the balance between scientific impact to our planet Small changes can have a large impact - cold Abi Hunter, Senior Director Head of Clinical Sampling, AstraZeneca 	pitfalls later down the line focussing on following key areas • Regulatory Approval including application submission regulatory bodies such as the MHRA • Informed Consent: to ensure participants understand the

Think Ecosystem – how seamless technology integration is a Commercial trials in the UK: How primary care can answer the win/win for everyone call Nothing in clinical research happens in a vacuum and the more Reflecting on the recent independent report from Lord healthcare and clinical trials collide, and research moves closer to O'Shaughnessy, this session will explore the potential of primary the more natural point of care, the more it requires an ecosystem of care to transform commercial clinical trials in the UK, including: technology solutions and capabilities to access the right insights at the right time. We believe that "thinking ecosystem" is critical to Harnessing the trusted networks established in solving key industry challenges. primary care settings 12:00 Unlocking the potential of healthcare data for Join our session as we talk about the power of business targeted trial recruitment at pace and scale Thinking differently to drive diversity, representation partnerships and outsourcing to support data integration when it comes to successfully executing clinical research. and innovation in trial delivery Jennifer Duff, General Manager, Zelta Clinical Trials Solutions, Dr. Ian Wood, Clinical Director, EMIS (Merative) 12:30 Lunch and networking **Fireside Chat** Decentralised and people-centric trials; how and why this approach could make it easier to run trials in the UK - including Reviewing shifts in the UK clinical trial space and thoughts on sharing details of the national survey the HRA recently conducted where we go from here. with the public to understand the views of patient and the public This talk will include an overview on the huge decision for Cancer about participating in research Research UK to consider taking their trials outside of the UK for the first time ever. Understand what builds public trust in research Explore actions you can take to make research more Moderator: Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director Capability 13:30 people-centred Building, Global Clinical Operations, GSK Learn how you can implement people-centric and decentralised research in the UK Nigel Blackburn, Director of Drug Development, Cancer Research UK Dr Janet Messer, Director of Approvals Service, Health Research Authority (HRA) Sponsor and NHS Site Collaboration to accelerate set-up Challenges of just in-time manufacturing and supply of timelines investigational products (perspectives from experience with short-lived radiopharmaceuticals) Sponsors of trials of novel therapeutics rely on the world-leading multidisciplinary clinical and research expertise found within NHS Overview of the supply chain: e.g., manufacture, release, Trusts to deliver their complex trials. However, when faced with the importation current challenges of conducting commercial clinical trials within the Specificities of local vs. centralised production, incl. NHS, it is tempting to more heavily weight timelines over expertise redundancy/performance aspects and management of 14:00 in site selection considerations. Another option is for Sponsors to multiple CDMOs/vendors choose to lean in and be part of the solution for UK clinical IRT and IMP order/accountability research. This talk will describe, from a Sponsor and NHS Trust practical experience with US/Europe clinical trials perspective, how early Sponsor-initiated collaborative engagement specific challenges with clinical trials in the UK on patient-pathway and protocol development can be undertaken in (manufacture, Northern Ireland status, importation, the shared aim of accelerating post-submission site feasibility and



patients faster.

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Romain Bejot, VP CMC & Supply, Blue Earth Diagnostics Rachel Haines, Director of Clinical Operations, Rinri Therapeutics Shaun Cochrane, Deputy Director R&D, Guy's and St Thomas' **NHS Foundation Trust** PANEL DISCUSSION Building back a thriving, competitive life science sector in the UK & Ireland: the UK has fallen behind other countries in the number of studies initiated, with a drop of 44% in commercial clinical trials in the last five years taking us from 4th to 10th in the global standings. Exploring maintenance and growth of research delivery in NHS sites Appreciating global life science industry timelines; highlighting regulatory approval, ethics reviews, and the time it takes to set-up at a site, and recruit the first participants Unlocking costing for commercial contract research Addressing clinical capacity within the NHS in order to increase revenue and increase trials based in the UK Discussing MHRA Introductory measures to streamline the process of running trials making the UK a 'more attractive' place to conduct clinical trials 14:30 Moderator: Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director Capability Building, Global Clinical Operations, GSK Panellists: Ian Bruce, Director, NIHR Manchester Biomedical Research Centre Dr Janet Messer, Director of Approvals Service, Health Research Authority (HRA) Oliver Buckley-Mellor, Innovation and Research Policy Manager (Clinical), The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI) Alison McMorn, VP, Clinical Development, AMO Pharma 15:15 Afternoon refreshments, networking, and Apple Prize Draw **ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS** During the roundtable discussion session, the conference hall will be divided into zones. Delegates can choose which zone they would like to join. Each zone will be led by a table lead/host and will focus on a different challenge within the industry. After 30 minutes, delegates will have the opportunity to swap and choose a different table, and each roundtable will run twice. 15:45 RT 1- Disaster Preparedness: How can the clinical trial industry prepare for the unexpected? Using the Ukrainian crisis as central to the conversation Roman Fishchuk, Head of Clinical Trials Department, Central City Clinical Hospital, Ukraine RT 2- How do you successfully adopt and scale proven research & innovation across the health and care sector. Erica White, Director of Innovation, Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust



RT 3- Responsible Al in Healthcare & Clinical Trials – how industry and the NHS can work together Katie Tucker, Senior Innovation Consultant, Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust

RT 4- Strategies for achieving IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access) in UK Clinical Trials – where do we go from here? Recommendations on how to move forward.

Dr Suki Balendra PhD, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Paddington Life Sciences. Life sciences Lead for the **NIHR CRN North West London, Board Advisor**

RT 5 Paradigm shift: The power of partnership working

Nicola Yallup, Head of Business Development and Marketing, NIHR Clinical Research Network

RT 6 Making it easier to do clinical trials that everyone can trust: making research more transparent and increasing public involvement in a proportionate and agile way. Supporting best practice for all studies.

Becky Purvis, Director of Policy and Partnership, Health Research Authority (HRA)

16:45

Chairperson's closing remarks

Barbara Hepworth-Jones, Director Capability Building, Global Clinical Operations, GSK

END OF CONFERENCE

