

William Harvey Clinical Research Centre

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Barts Health Research Presentation evenings

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 June. This event will be held at Newham, Lecture Theatre from 6-7.30pm.

‘Investigating a new way of detecting coronary artery disease’ by Professor Steven Greenwald and Dr Simon Shaw

‘Is Vitamin D deficiency in pregnancy a public health problem in East London?’ by Dr John Ho.

To find out more about the research evenings and to register visit:

www.bartshealth.nhs.uk/takepart

Study update: Carmelina

The CARMELINA study is a Phase 4 clinical trial. The purpose of the study is to look at the impact of linagliptin on the long-term occurrence of selected complications of cardiovascular disease (eg. stroke or heart attack) as

compared to placebo in people with type 2 diabetes mellitus receiving standard of care.

The study started at the CRC at the end of 2013 with Dr Manish Saxena as the PI. The CRC was the first site to open in the UK. We are currently the third highest recruiter in the UK to this study with 9 patients (minimum target of 10). Recruitment is expected to extend into mid 2018.

For further details about the study please go to:

<https://www.diabetes-study.com/page/about-this-study>

Barts and Queen Mary Science Festival

The 5th Barts and Queen Mary Science Festival will be held on Tuesday 16 June 2015 from 10.30am till 3pm at the Octagon, Queen's Building, QMUL.

There will be talks by senior and junior scientists and doctors with hands on activities and displays. The festival is aimed at anyone interested in science from teenagers to adults.

The Clinical Research Centre will have an exhibition stand at the festival so please do come along and talk to us about our research.

For further information and registration please contact Jane Batchelor, email: sciencefestival@qmul.ac.uk or telephone: 020 7882 7188 or register online:

<https://bartsqueenmarysciencefestival2015.eventbrite.co.uk>

CRC Staff Profile: Jane Pheby

Jane Pheby is one of the Research Nurses working in the CRC. She joined us full-time last month. Up until then she had been working with us part-time as well as working as a Practice Nurse in a nearby GP practice. Jane completed her initial nurse training at Guy's from 1983-85 and then converted to RGN at St Barts College of Midwifery and Nursing from 1991-1993. Jane has experience as a general nurse and as a staff nurse in sexual health before joining us at the CRC in 1996 to work on the MRC Bright Study (British Genetics of Hypertension) with Prof Mark Caulfield.



Jane is currently working on the following trials within the CRC: Cantos and Fourier (cardiovascular studies), Plenadren, Cushings and the REAL studies (metabolic studies) and Takeda Optimize (respiratory). Jane can often be spotted in her cycling gear riding to and from work at the CRC.

