



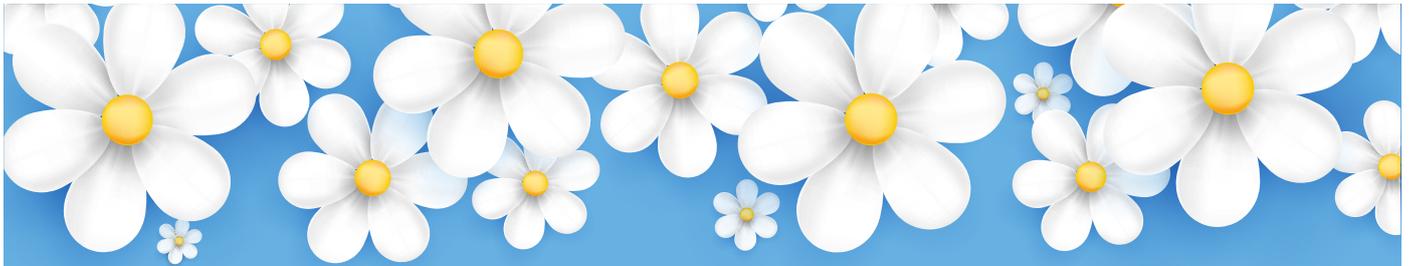
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NIHR Reproductive Health and Childbirth Symposium 2025

Last month, UKOSS attended the National Reproductive Health & Childbirth Research Champions Group Symposium in Manchester. Our Programme Coordinator Kudzai shared a stand with UKMidSS. It was wonderful to meet past and current UKOSS reporters from all over the country! We discussed ideas for future UKOSS studies and the impact of UKOSS results on clinical practice today. It was also great to meet other research teams working to improve outcomes for mothers, babies and their families.



Thank you to everyone who came to say hello!

Star Reporters

We would like to thank **Nicola Amos (Northampton General Hospital)** for promptly addressing queries for the Biologics study and **Pavandeep Samrai** for helping to get reporting back on track at **Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Woolwich)** and **University Hospital Lewisham**.

Your edible goodies will be in the post very soon!



THIS MONTH

- Meet a new member of the Steering Committee
- New study starting soon



Hospital Monthly Reporting Rates over SIX MONTHS (Sept 2024 - Feb 2025)

6 months reported, 4 or 5 months reported, 2 or 3 months reported, 1 month reported, 0 months reported

Aberdeen Maternity Hospital	Poole Hospital	Barnsley Hospital
Altnagelvin Area Hospital	Prince Charles Hospital	Calderdale Royal Hospital
Aneurin Bevan University Health Board	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Doncaster Royal Infirmary
Arrowe Park Hospital	Princess Anne Hospital	Furness General Hospital
Ayrshire Maternity Unit	Queen Alexandra Hospital	Glangwili General Hospital
Basildon University Hospital	Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Gateshead)	Gloucestershire Royal Hospital
Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital	Queen Elizabeth Hospital (King's Lynn)	Hereford County Hospital
Bassetlaw District General Hospital	Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Hospital	Kingston Hospital
Bedford Hospital	Queen's Hospital (Burton-on-Trent)	Lister Hospital
Borders General Hospital	Queen's Hospital (Romford)	Ninewells Hospital & Medical School
Bradford Royal Infirmary	Queen's Medical Centre	Nobles Hospital (Isle of Man)
Bronglais Hospital	Raigmore Hospital	North Middlesex University Hospital
Broomfield Hospital	Rosie Maternity Hospital	Northwick Park Hospital
Caithness General Hospital	Rotherham District General Hospital	Princess of Wales Hospital
Chesterfield Royal Hospital	Royal Albert Edward Infirmary	Princess Royal Hospital (Telford)
City Hospital (Birmingham)	Royal Alexandra Hospital	Queen Charlotte's and Chelsea Hospital
Colchester General Hospital	Royal Cornwall Hospital	Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Woolwich)
Conquest Hospital (East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust)	Royal Derby Hospital	Royal Jubilee Maternity Service
Countess of Chester Hospital	Royal Hampshire County Hospital	Royal Lancaster Infirmary
Craigavon Area Hospital	Royal Surrey County Hospital	Tameside General Hospital
Croydon University Hospital	Royal Sussex County Hospital	University Hospital Lewisham
Cumberland Infirmary	Royal United Hospital	West Middlesex University Hospital
Daisy Hill Hospital	Royal Victoria Infirmary	Whipps Cross University Trust Hospital
Darent Valley Hospital	Salisbury District Hospital	Barnet Hospital (Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust)
Darlington Memorial Hospital	Scunthorpe General Hospital	Chelsea & Westminster Hospital
Derriford Hospital	Simpson Centre for Reproductive Health	East Surrey Hospital
Diana Princess of Wales Hospital	Singleton Hospital	Hull Royal Infirmary
Dorset County Hospital	South West Acute Hospital	Ipswich Hospital
Dumfries & Galloway Royal Infirmary	Southend University Hospital	Princess Royal Maternity Hospital
Epsom General Hospital	Southern General Hospital	Royal Berkshire Hospital
Forth Valley Royal Hospital	Southmead Hospital	Royal Free Hospital
Frimley Park Hospital	St George's Hospital	Scarborough Hospital
George Eliot Hospital	St Helier Hospital	The Great Western Hospital
Glan Clwyd District General Hospital	St James's University Hospital	Leicester Royal Infirmary
Good Hope Hospital	St John's Hospital	Stepping Hill Hospital
Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital	St Mary's Hospital (Isle of Wight)	Airedale General Hospital
Harrogate District Hospital	St Mary's Hospital (Manchester)	Antrim Hospital
Heartlands Hospital	St Michael's Hospital	Princess Royal University Hospital
Hinchingbrooke Hospital	St Richard's Hospital	Royal Bolton Hospital
Homerton University Hospital	Stoke Mandeville Hospital	St Mary's Hospital (London)
James Cook University Hospital	Sunderland Royal Hospital	St Peter's Hospital
James Paget University Hospital	The Jessop Wing	Princess Elizabeth Hospital (Guernsey)
Jersey General Hospital	The Portland Hospital	Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital
Kettering General Hospital	The Tunbridge Wells Hospital	University College Hospital
King's College Hospital	Torbay Hospital	Birmingham Women's Hospital
King's Mill Hospital	Ulster Hospital	John Radcliffe Hospital
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals (Royal Preston Hospital)	University Hospital Coventry	Leicester General Hospital
Lancashire Women and Newborn Centre	University Hospital of North Durham	Newham General Hospital
Leeds General Infirmary	University Hospital of North Midlands	Princess Royal Hospital (Haywards Heath)
Leighton Hospital	University Hospital of North Tees	Royal London Hospital
Lincoln County Hospital	University Hospital of Wales	Royal Oldham Hospital
Liverpool Women's Hospital	Victoria Hospital (Blackpool)	Russells Hall Hospital
Luton and Dunstable University Hospital	Victoria Hospital (Kirkcaldy)	The Hillingdon Hospital
Manor Hospital (Walsall)	Warrington Hospital	
Medway Maritime Hospital	Warwick Hospital	
Milton Keynes University Hospital	Watford General Hospital	
Musgrove Park Hospital	West Cumberland Hospital	
New Cross Hospital	West Suffolk Hospital	
Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital	Western Isles Hospital	
North Devon District Hospital	Wexham Park Hospital	
North Manchester General Hospital	Whiston Hospital	
Northampton General Hospital	Whittington Hospital	
Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital	William Harvey Hospital	
Nottingham City Hospital	Wishaw General Hospital	
Ormskirk District General Hospital	Worcestershire Royal Hospital	
Peterborough City Hospital	Worthing Hospital	
Pilgrim Hospital	Wrexham Maelor Hospital	
Pinderfields General Hospital	Wythenshawe Hospital	
	Yeovil Women's Hospital	
	York Hospital	
	Ysbyty Gwynedd District General Hospital	

Current Study Reminders

New study starting soon – Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia (PCD)

Keep an eye out for a new UKOSS study looking at Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia in pregnancy. The study is expected to begin later this year and we will be sending out all the relevant information very soon.

Final call for data collection forms!

The Biological Agents in pregnancy study has now ended. As some of you may be aware, we are now working through data queries. With this in mind, please keep an eye out from any emails from us asking for missing data or requesting clarification on possible data errors.

In addition, please could you also check that no cases have been missed and notify us as soon as possible if any cases are identified.

Here is a reminder of the **case definition**:

All pregnant women identified as having taken one of the following biological agents for the indication of treatment of an inflammatory disorder in pregnancy:

Natalizumab, Duplilimab, Mepolizumab, Ustekinumab, Belimumab, Rituximab, Secukinumab, Ixekizumab, Tocilizumab, Canakinumab, Anakinra, Sarilumab, Abatacept, Guselkumab, Omalizumab, Dupilumab, Mepolizumab, Vedolizumab, Rinsakizumab, Anifrolumab, and 'other' novel biological agent (**excluding** Etanercept, Adalimumab, Infliximab, Certolizumab and their biosimilars).

Please note that to be included in the study, women need to have delivered on or after 1st May 2022 and before 31st October 2024.

A reminder that the Peripartum Hysterectomy study is a case-control study

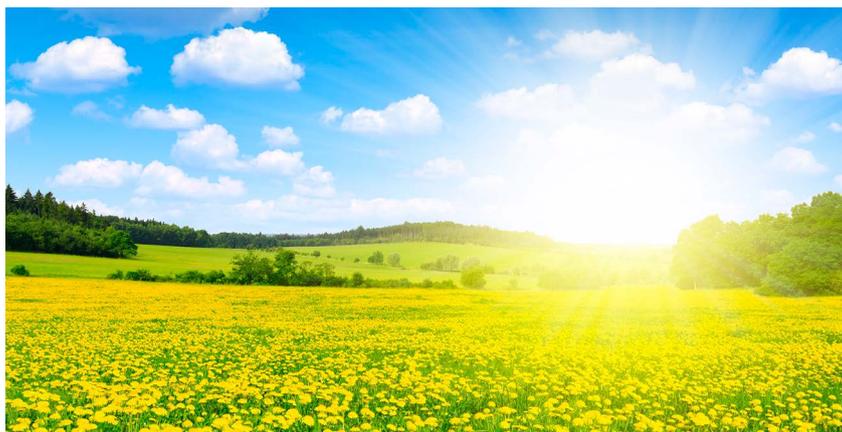
A case-control study means that for every case reported, we will also request two control forms.

The control forms should be the **TWO** women who delivered immediately **BEFORE** the case. Each control will be labelled with the original case ID followed by either 1 or 2.

If you have any questions about how to identify the controls then please do not hesitate to contact us at ukoss@npeu.ox.ac.uk.

Please remember...

- To keep a record of the case IDs for all the cases you report and also the corresponding patient details.
- To pass on your record of UKOSS cases to another reporter or colleague if you change roles or retire and make UKOSS aware of the change.



Case Report Summary for Studies up until the end of March 2025

Study	Actual number of reported cases	Data collection forms returned	Number of forms returned that were found to be not cases / reported in error	Data Collection forms returned that are confirmed cases	Expected number of confirmed cases
Amniotic Fluid Embolism	434	420	107	313	242
Biologic Agents in Pregnancy (now ended)	558	444	182	252	752
HLH	4	2	1	2	1
Long-term non- invasive ventilation in pregnancy	97	73	18	55	101
Peripartum hysterectomy - CASES	130	85	5	80	174
Peripartum hysterectomy – CONTROLS	N/A	58	N/A	N/A	N/A
Severe Respiratory Virus – RECOVERY & REMAP-CAP trials	33	33	32	2	151
Transabdominal cerclage	75	60	20	40	102

Meet Ronan O’Leary who recently joined the Steering Committee

What is your current role within the UKOSS Steering Committee?

I am the critical care representative and joined the committee in January 2025

Where do you currently work and what is your job title?

I am a consultant in neurosciences and trauma intensive care medicine at Cambridge University Hospitals, an Associate Professor, affiliated to the School of Medicine at the University of Cambridge, and a member of the NHS England National Clinical Reference Group for Adult Critical Care.

Can you give a brief overview of your career to date?

I was a graduate entrant to Leeds Medical School. After graduating in 2004, I trained in anaesthesia and intensive care medicine in West Yorkshire, Birmingham, and Melbourne in Australia. In 2014 I moved to take up a consultant post in neurosciences and trauma critical care at Addenbrooke’s Hospital, Cambridge. My main clinical activities are within the Neurosciences and Trauma Critical Care Unit (NCCU) and major trauma anaesthesia. Over the last few years, I have taken on a series of regional and national roles and I have also developed an interest in neurovascular catastrophe associated with pregnancy.

How have you found your first few months on the Steering Committee and what do you look forward to most about your role on the Steering Committee?

I have attended one meeting and found the activity and discussion fascinating and thought-provoking. I am looking forward to learning more about research and audit related to obstetrics and perhaps developing a study on neurovascular disease/catastrophe associated with pregnancy.

What are your interests/hobbies outside of your working life?

Most of my non-work life is taken up with my two sons and their various sporting interests. When I have time, I try to write fiction and have entered a few short story competitions recently after making some time for myself by stepping back from a few roles I had picked up over the last few years. We live just outside Cambridge, and I am an elected parent governor at my childrens’ secondary school.

