



## PROTECTOR Newsletter – December 2023

### Welcome to the PROTECTOR newsletter!

We have now recruited over 1100 patients to the study and would like to thank all those involved to date. PROTECTOR is now active at **42 sites**.

- PROTECTOR is registered with the **NIHR Associate PI Scheme**. Information about the scheme can be found in the attached presentation, please consider signing up!
- Thank you to all teams for your patience during this period while database services aren't running. We are hoping this will soon be resumed and will update you accordingly.
- **As per the contingency SOP, please continue emailing [protector.study@nhs.net](mailto:protector.study@nhs.net) to obtain VRN allocations for new recruits and [bci-protector@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:bci-protector@qmul.ac.uk) to inform us of all other trial related information.**

### REMINDER

- The PROTECTOR study is open to BRCA1, BRCA2, RAD51C, RAD51D, BRIP1, and PALB2 mutation carriers.
- Please notify us when a participant's **surgery** is scheduled or has happened.
- Please continue posting histopathology and cytology slides and blocks to the **PROTECTOR team** following local pathology review. **Please notify us when slides are on the way and ensure slides are sent in a timely manner. Please also ensure slides/blocks are pseudo-anonymized prior to sending.**
- You can contact the PROTECTOR team at [bci-protector@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:bci-protector@qmul.ac.uk). Please do not send any patient identifiable information to this email. If you need to send us identifiable information, use our NHS email: [protector.study@nhs.net](mailto:protector.study@nhs.net).
- A reminder to **please complete baseline questionnaires in clinic** wherever possible and to contact patients whose **questionnaire is outstanding**.
- Completed **Baseline questionnaires** should be posted to the below address as soon as possible. Prepaid envelopes can be requested.

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# Wishing Everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank you for your ongoing work and support with PROTECTOR!



PROTECTOR Collaborators Meeting Apr23