



NEWSLETTER

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LIBERATE

Midodrine for the early liberation from vasopressor support in the ICU

Fall is upon us again! We hope everyone was able to take some time for rest and relaxation over the summer months. LIBERATE recruitment continued over the summer at active study sites, and upcoming sites continued their preparations to be ready to start recruitment by year end or Q1 of 2024.

The LIBERATE Steering Committee also met in August and was brought up to date on study activities.

Study Updates

Pilot Study

Analysis of the LIBERATE Pilot Study is complete and a manuscript is under development and will be submitted for publication by year end.

DSMC

Alexander Zarbock has been named as the new DSMC Chair. Dr. Zarbock is an accomplished clinician, trialist and scientist from the University of Munster. We would like to thank Bram Rochberg for his work chairing the DSMC over the past 2 years. The DSMC Charter has been updated and can be viewed on the [LIBERATE Study Website](#).

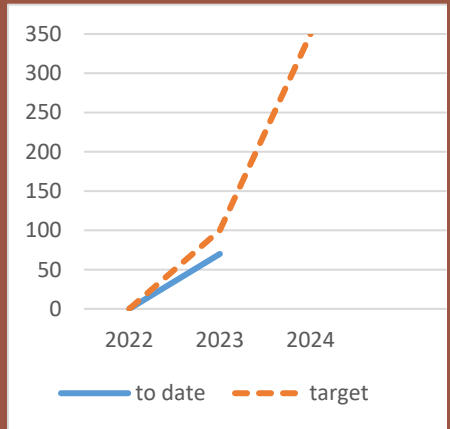
Statistical Plan

A committee has been formed to develop a formal statistical analysis plan. Fernando Zampieri (University of Alberta) and Michael Harhay (University of Pennsylvania) are co-leads.

CIHR Grant

We have submitted an application for the CIHR Fall Project Grant competition. A successful grant will allow expansion of the study to additional sites in Canada and Brazil.

Study Recruitment



Site	Total enrolled
Grey Nuns Hospital ICU	47
Misericordia Hospital ICU	9
U of A Hospital GSICU	14

Participating sites

Edmonton - Grey Nuns Hospital
Edmonton - Misericordia Hospital
Edmonton - University of Alberta Hospital

Upcoming sites

Brantford – Brantford General Hospital
Calgary - Rockyview Hospital
Hamilton – St Joseph’s Healthcare
Hamilton – Hamilton General Hospital
Kingston – Kingston Health Sciences Centre
Niagara – Niagara St Catharines
Red Deer – Red Deer General Hospital
Regina – Regina General Hospital
St Albert – Sturgeon Community Hospital
Toronto - Mount Sinai Hospital
Toronto – Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

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