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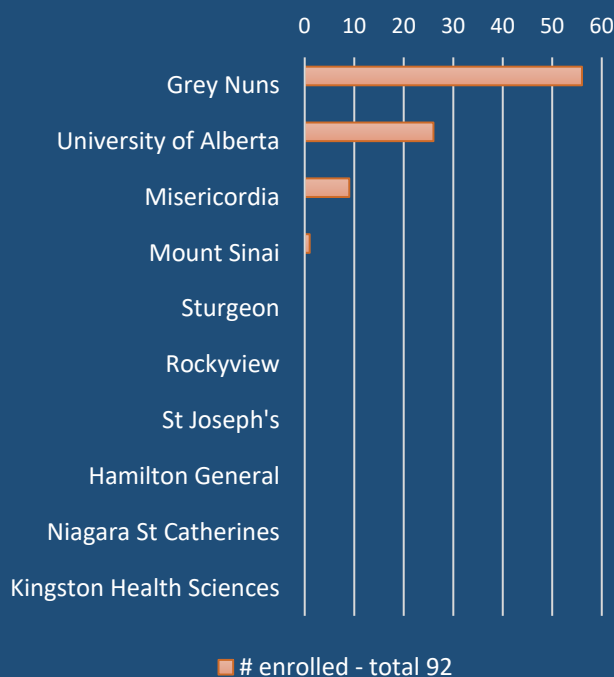
UPDATES

2023 ended on a busy note as 7 new sites completed local set up and joined the study. 10 sites are now recruiting, and 6 sites plan on joining the study after a second round of funding later this year.

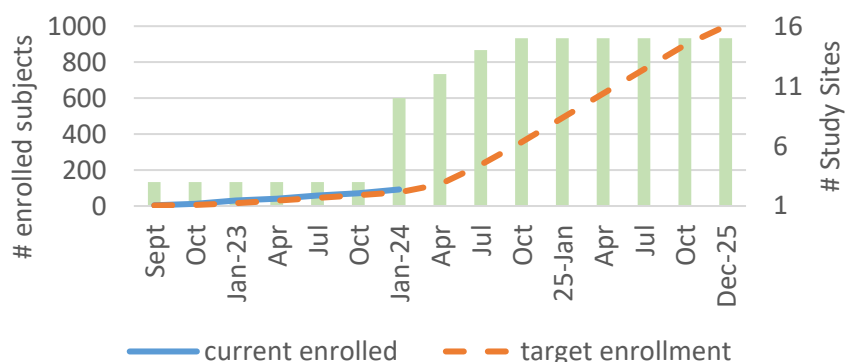
The DSMC met in January to review the DSMC Charter and meeting and reporting schedule. The updated charter can be viewed on the LIBERATE study website: <https://www.ualberta.ca/critical-care/research/liberate/index.html>

The LIBERATE program has partnered with Dr. Michael Harhay and his team from the University of Pennsylvania to revise our target sample size. Based on our pilot data, we have increased our sample size to 1000 subjects in order to determine a minimum difference of 1 ICU-day between groups. We will submit an amended protocol to Health Canada and REBs in the upcoming weeks.

Recruitment by site



LIBERATE Recruitment Targets



FAQs - screening

Q. At the time of the eligibility assessment just prior to randomization, the norepinephrine is 0.06mcg/kg/min. By the time the patient is randomized the dose is below 0.05mcg/kg/min. Is this patient still eligible for the study?

A. The patient must be receiving the minimum allowable dose at the time of randomization. Unfortunately, there are times when due to the natural delays of the recruitment process, a patient may go from being eligible to not. The patient must meet all inclusion/exclusion criteria at the time of randomization.

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UPCOMING SITES

Calgary – South Health Campus
Red Deer – Red Deer Regional Hospital
Brantford – Brantford General Hospital
Toronto – Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Laval - Cité de la Santé Hospital
Regina – Regina General Hospital

Did you just enroll a new patient?

Remember to make an entry into the REDCap system asap so the recruitment stats are up to date

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