

COVID-19 Urgent Public Health Research Response in NWC LCRN

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Challenge

Nations

Regions

UTLA

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Region ▼

Total cases ↕

Rate ↕

East Midlands

22,742

473.4

East of England

24,271

391.4

London

34,695

389.5

North East

15,246

573.6

North West

44,539

610.8

South East

34,789

380.9

South West

12,991

232.0

West Midlands

26,390

447.2

Yorkshire and The Humber

30,991

565.6

Rate

Total cases

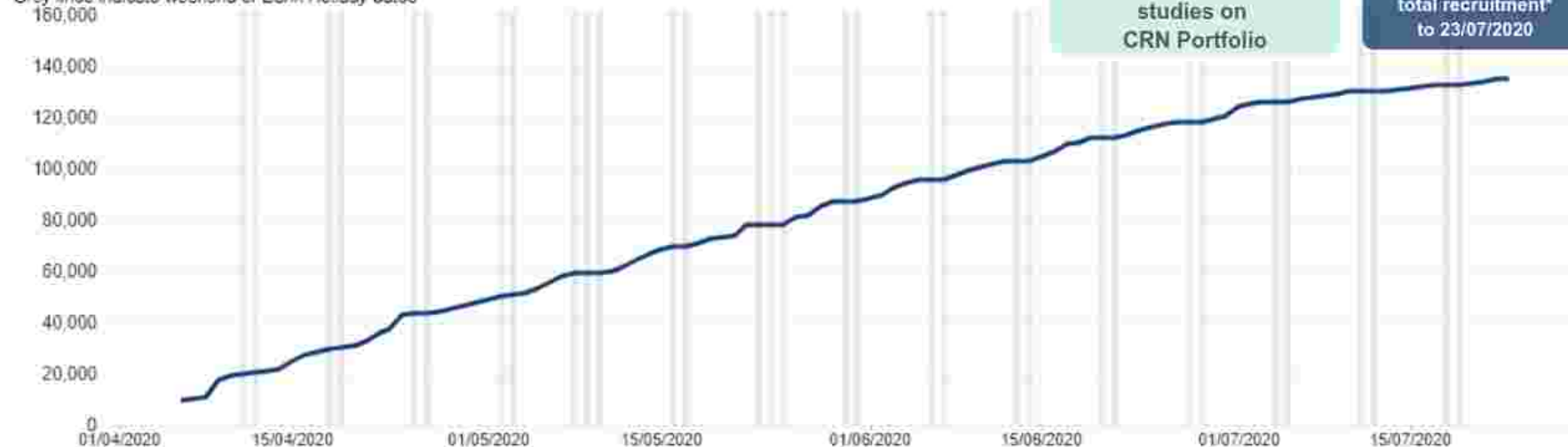


Rates per 100,000 resident population. Darker shades have higher rates.

Challenge

Cumulative recruitment into COVID-19 research studies

Grey lines indicate weekend or Bank Holiday dates

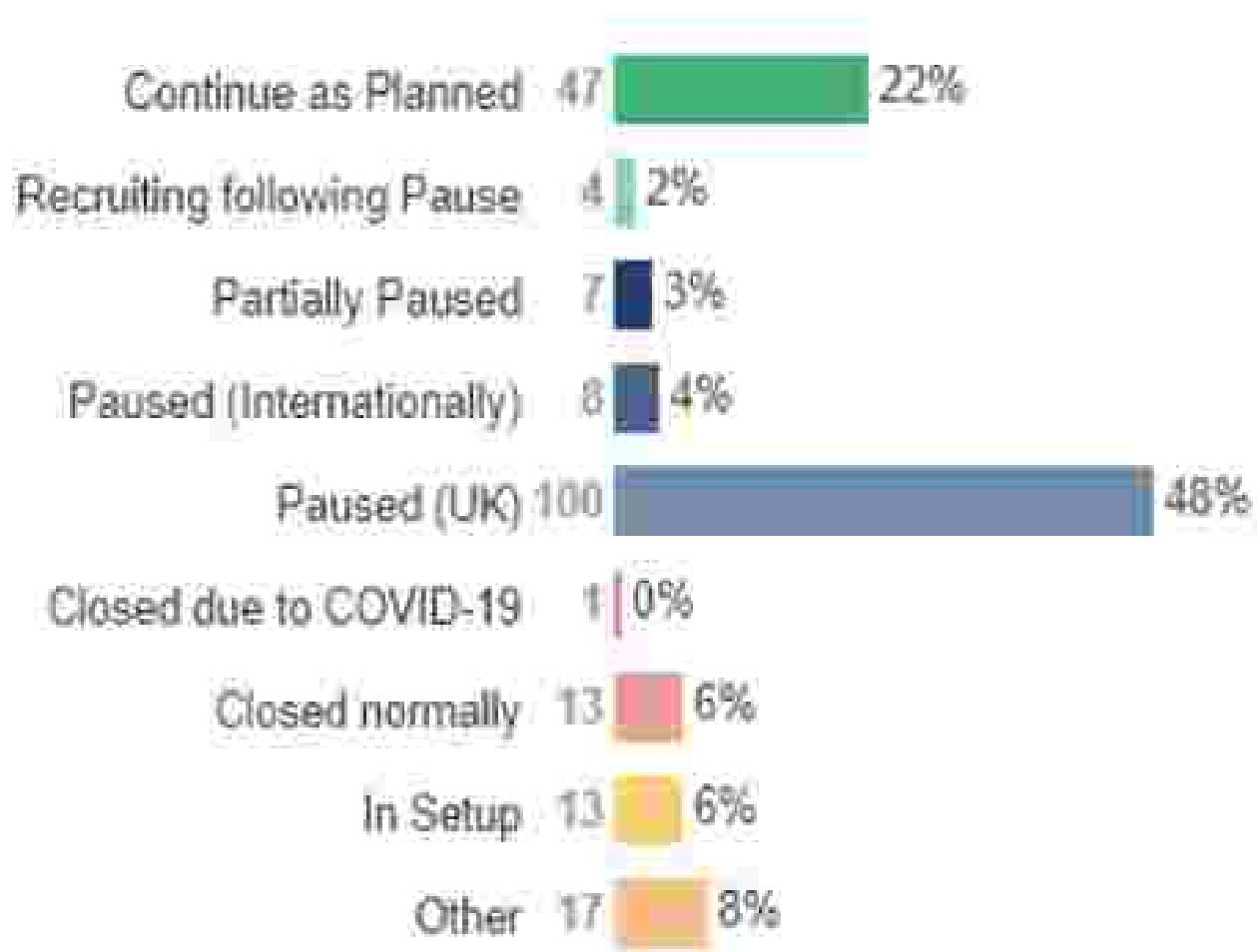


COVID-19
Oxford Vaccine Trial



Challenge

NWC Portfolio Impact July 2020



Response

- UPH Working group convened by NW LCRN
- Specialty leads and co-opted representatives of sites and CRFs
- Research and data managers
- Review of impact and conflicts, recommendations to sites
- Monitoring of Eols and escalation of national contacts

Response

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	Study RAG rating	Date Added	Study acronym / short title	Study title	Chief Investigator (Institution)	Funder	Commercial / Non-Commercial	Sponsor	Lead LG/NI	IRAS Number	CPM ID	Potential management Specialty	Study Summary	Assigned SMT	Assigned PRF	CRN NW C Res. Sources	EOV/Scope
20	Scientificity: none. Only feasible in pilot with stem cell capabilities	01/04/2020	ACTT-EU/UK	A Multicentre, Adaptive, Randomised Blinded Controlled Trial of the Safety and Efficacy of Investigational Therapeutics for the Treatment of COVID-19 in Hospitalised Adults: A Version for European Union/United Kingdom sites	Professor Sarah L. Pebody			University of Minnesota (through UCL)		281800	45521		This study is an adaptive, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial to evaluate the safety and efficacy of novel therapeutic agents in hospitalised adults diagnosed with COVID-19. The study is a multicentre trial that will be conducted in up to approximately 75 sites globally. The study will compare different investigational therapeutic agents to a control arm. There will be interim monitoring to introduce new arms and allow early stopping for futility, efficacy, or safety. If one therapy proves to be efficacious, then this treatment may become the control arm for comparison(s) with new experimental treatments. Any such				
21	Key UPH Commercial trial with strong NIHR/NWCC site involvement	03/04/2020	SNG001	A randomised double-blind, placebo-controlled trial to determine the safety and efficacy of inhaled SNG001 (FNB-1a for nebulisation) for the treatment of patients with confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection	Professor Tom Wilkinson	Synlamin Research Limited	Commercial	Synlamin Research Limited	Westox	281317	45382	Respiratory Disorders	The purpose of this study is to confirm that SNG001 can prevent/limit the worsening of LRT illness in the context of SARS-CoV-2. Safety and efficacy will be assessed.	Gavin Soady	James Connolly Carol Stanton		Sponsor to identify a process w Liverpool
22	Scientificity: none. Only feasible in pilot with stem cell capabilities	02/04/2020	REALIST	Power of Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome by Clinical Cell Administration (REALIST)	Professor Davy Mulkey	Wellcome Trust	Non-Commercial	Belfast Health and Social Care Trust		227090	45531	Respiratory Disorders	The Primary objective is to assess the safety of a single intravenous infusion of MSCs in patients with ARDS due to COVID-19. Secondary objective is to determine the effects of MSCs on Physiological indices of respiratory dysfunction reflecting severity of ARDS, as measured by recruitment index (RI), elastance, compliance, and P-E ratio.	Smith Dylan	Laura Dawson		07/04/2020 additional 08/04/2020 additional Multi Site NIHR NWCC site
23	Key diagnostic/prognostic study Liverpool essential partner. Commercial possible. Likely linked to Atrial Fibrillation and LUHFT by sponsor	01/04/2020	DIAMOND3	Diagnosis and Management of Atrial Fibrillation using DNA Personalised Medicine Signature Diagnosis (DIAMOND3)	Michael Levin	European Commission	Non-Commercial	Imperial College London	North West London	278651	45537	Children	A five year project that seeks to improve diagnosis of infectious and inflammatory illness in patients of all ages, through development of diagnostic tests based on host gene expression responses. The DIAMOND3 project follows on from the H2020-funded PERFORM study, which is in its final year (also co-ordinated in the UK by Imperial College). In the first part of the study (DIAMOND3 Search), the consortium - which includes multiple UK centres as well as 14 international partners - will carry out an observational study recruiting children and adults to generate a biobank of samples with a range of infectious and inflammatory conditions from which diagnostic gene expression signatures will be detected.	Kirsty Pines	Kerry Gibbons		
24	One-to-one study in children/young people. Study of most interest in tertiary centres	03/04/2020	HyvecoCOVID19	Concise infection in primary or secondary immunosuppressed children	Dr Hans de Graft	British Paediatric Allergy, Immunity and Infection Group	Non-Commercial	University of Southampton NHS Foundation Trust	Wissax	281544	45532	Children	The study is designed to allow families of immunosuppressed children and young people to self-record their experiences of COVID-19 and other viral respiratory illnesses during the COVID-19 epidemic. Parents of immunosuppressed patients and young people aged 16-17 yrs who are immunosuppressed will be provided with online information and asked to fill in online questionnaires at baseline and weekly thereafter. Information collected will include immune-system affecting medication, symptoms, contact with health care providers, test results and impact on daily activities. Data will be	Kirsty Pines	Kerry Gibbons		Recruiting of PIC site
+ Summary - National UPH Studies - UPH Sites - UPH NWC PIVOT (PC) - NWC Capacity & Capability - NWC Site Capabilities - Explore																	

Performance

24

studies on
CRN Portfolio

2

studies
in setup

20

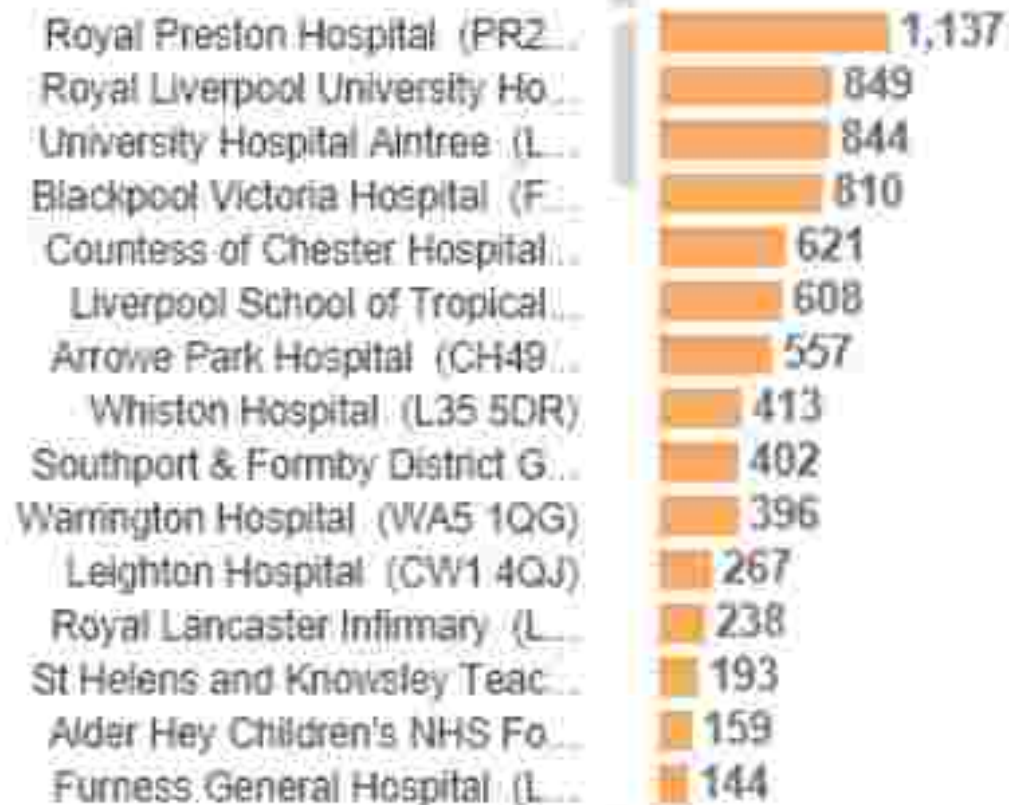
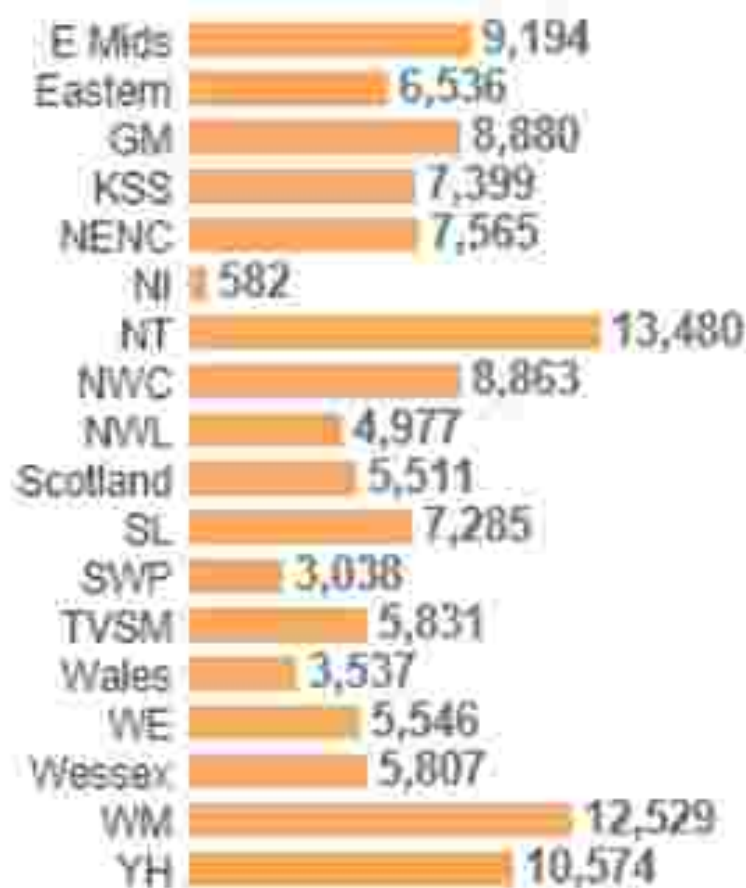
studies
open to recruitment

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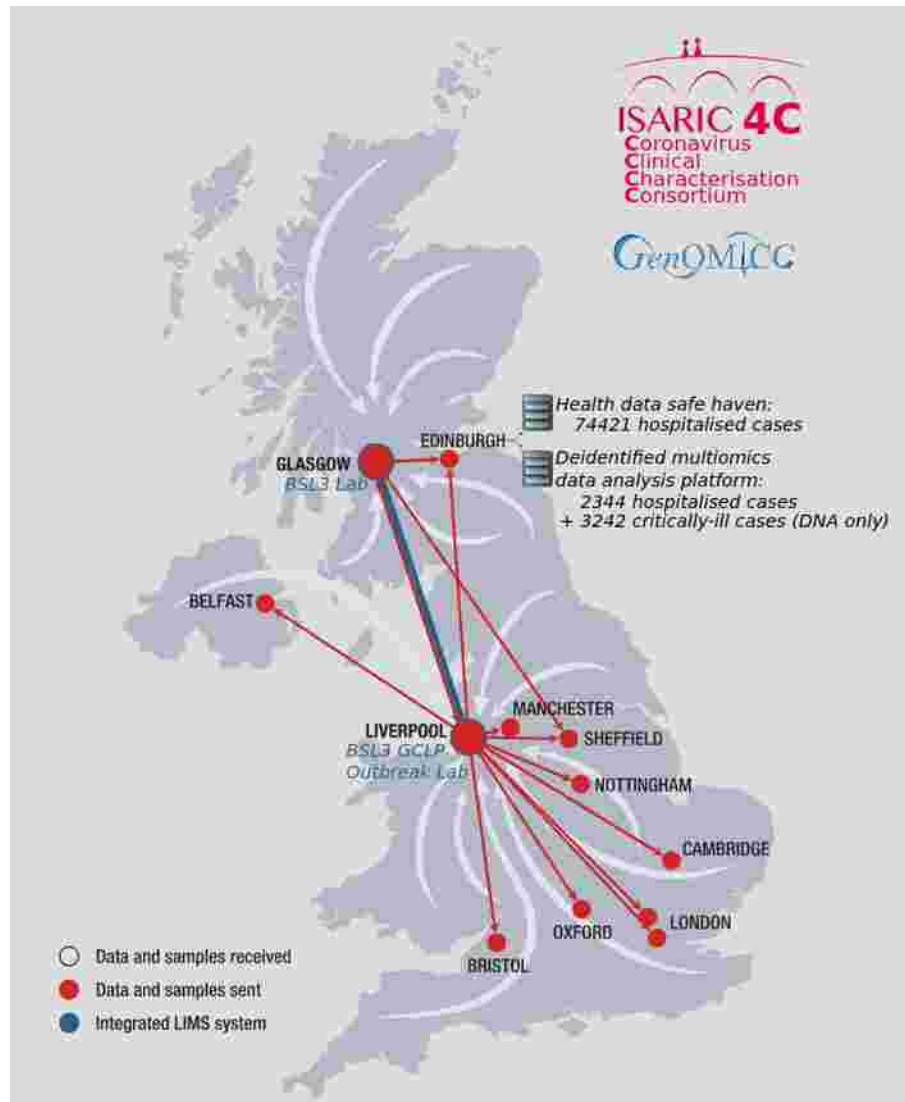
studies
have recruited

7,700

participants have
been recruited

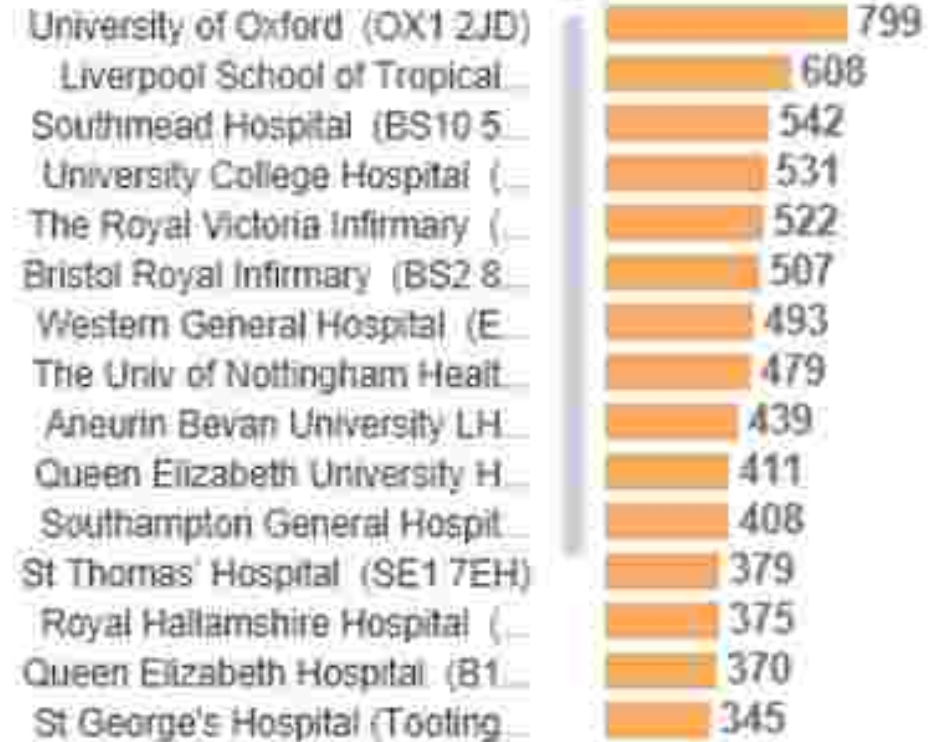


Successes



COVID-19

Oxford Vaccine Trial

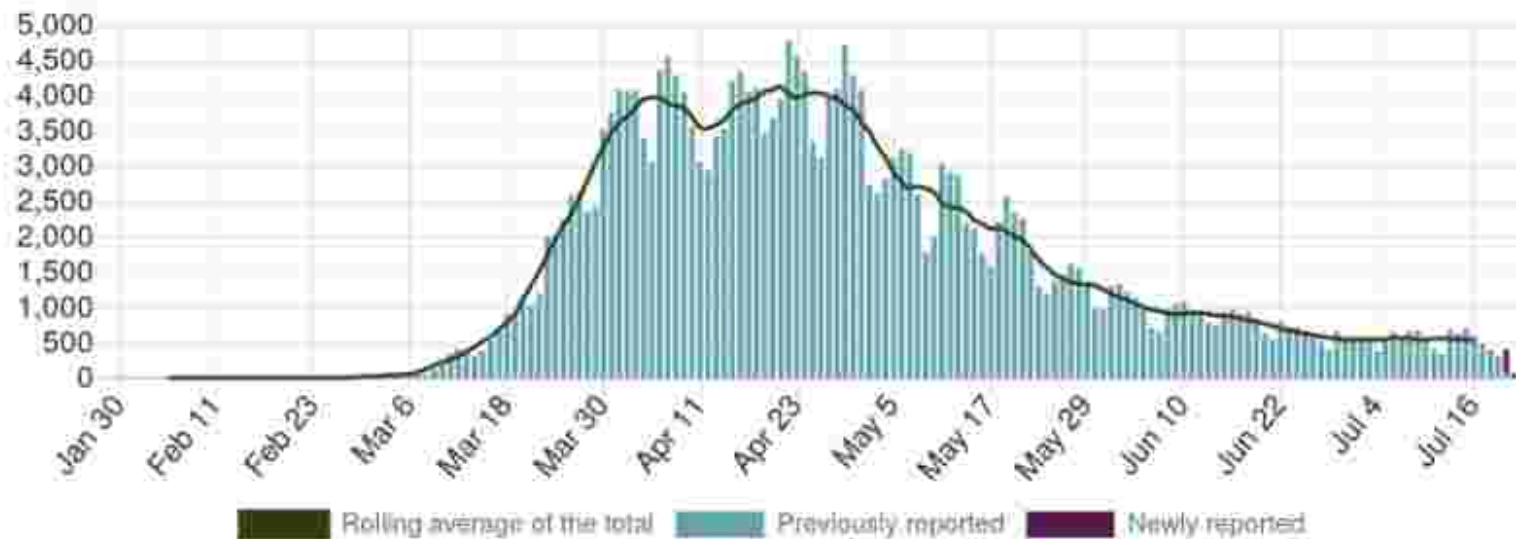


Lessons

- NW Coast CRN performance unprecedented
- Set-up and recruitment capability nationally competitive
- Locally co-ordinated approach critical to delivery
- Successful models of local partnership (HCW platform, 3 CRUs, vaccine hubs)
- Expand pool of CIs and PIs
- Strengthen support for CTIMP trials

Looking ahead

Daily number of lab-confirmed cases in England by specimen date



Total confirmed cases showing those previously reported and newly added cases separately. New cases are attributed to the day the specimen was taken.

Looking ahead



Summary

- NW CRN response to COVID-19 was pro-active and successful
- Pandemic strengthened pre-existing mechanisms of partnership
- Notable improvements in research set-up and delivery
- Build on collaborative response under “peace-time” conditions
- Balance vaccine and non-COVID19 portfolio in short-term
- Promote locally relevant and led research