On 12th July 2013 Sir Michael and Lady Betty Kadoorie officially opened the new extension above the front entrance to the hospital and unveiled a plaque commemorating the event (pictured above with Professor Keith Willett).

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The expansion has created office space for a further 21 staff, a meeting room and staff room and remodelled the reception area. The building has many eco-friendly features which includes solar panels that create electricity for the hospital.

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The Kadoorie Centre is a place for collaborative research and development in critical care, traumatic injury and rehabilitation. The staff (both NHS and Oxford University), work with patients and clinical colleagues to ensure good quality research is developed that will improve patient care.

Current activities include the clinical effectiveness of: different forms of monitoring acutely ill patients, limb supports following injury, wound dressings, exercise regimens, different forms of ventilation (support for breathing), drugs that promote fracture healing; and studies that assess recovery from major injuries/illness over time.

For further details of on-going research, go to the Kadoorie website at www.ouh.nhs.uk/Kadoorie.
MaTOMs

MaTOMs is a feasibility study looking at the acceptability of collecting outcome measures in major trauma patients. The study aims to gather outcome data from adults and children on discharge, at 6 months and at 1 year. Since the study opened in April 2013 we have found recruitment slower than anticipated. Contributing factors have been the complexity of the patients’ injuries and their adjustment to them, the many competing research studies for this particular group and we are keen that potential participants are not burdened with numerous research studies.

To date we have recruited 26 participants. Our target is to recruit 100 participants (90 adults and 10 children).

For further details contact: Susanna Symonds

WOLLF: Update

WOLLF is a randomised controlled trial of standard wound management versus negative pressure wound therapy in the treatment of adult patients with an open fracture of the lower limb. The primary outcome measure is the disability rating index one year post injury (Null Hypothesis—no difference between the two groups). A qualitative sub study will also assess patient experience of having an open fracture, being enrolled in the study, giving or declining consent for the trial and the acceptability of the trial procedures.

The trial is funded by HTA and sponsored by the University of Warwick and University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust.

Professor Matthew Costa is the Chief Investigator.

WOLLF has been open to recruitment since April 2012 and is a multi-centre trial at 13 sites thus far (aiming for 20 sites).

Recruitment will continue until March 2016 with a 1 year follow up period. Up until the end of August 75 participants have been recruited.

The study has been running well in Oxford after opening to recruitment in October 2012. We have consented 15 participants to date.

For further details contact: Louise Spoors

AIM: Update

The trauma team at the John Radcliffe Hospital are:

1. Top (joint) recruiting AIM site with 42 recruits!
2. Lead on highest number recruits in one month (6)
3. Are ahead of site recruitment target of 1 per month, with 42 patients recruited across 38 months (see graph below)

Fantastic achievement, well done to all the trauma teams!

The AIM Trial is taking place in 20 sites across the UK and will continue recruiting until later this year. At the end of August all-site recruitment was ahead of target, 495/464. End of study target is 525, 30 to go! Six month follow up appointments continue into 2014.

Our gratitude to all who have contributed.

Please continue to screen and recruit for these final few months. Thank you!

If you would like to know more, please contact the AIM Trial Office: Tel: 01865 740328 or aim.trial@ndorms.ox.ac.uk

Lesley Morgan, AIM Trial Manager
**FAB** (Fractures and Bisphosphonates)

This is a double-blind, randomised controlled trial to determine if alendronic acid affects fracture healing of men and women aged 50 and over who have suffered distal radial fracture (Primary Objective). Although bisphosphonates are widely used in the treatment of osteoporosis currently there is no consensus regarding what should be done with bisphosphonate therapy following an acute fracture. It remains unclear whether early treatment might be advantageous or deleterious to fracture healing and clinical outcome. Patients aged 50 and over who have fractured their wrist and are not on bisphosphonate therapy will be invited to take part in the study. Participants do not have to be osteoporotic to enter the study; the primary question is based on fracture healing whilst taking bisphosphonates and as such it is not necessary to know the bone density of participants. **Secondary Objectives:** upper limb function, the effect of alendronic acid on the prevalence of Chronic Regional Pain Syndrome, difference in pain, active range of movement, grip strength and assessment of whether the bones have healed.

Recruitment opened in Oxford in June 2013. We have recruited 7 participants so far, with the aim of recruiting 50 in total at this site. The study is open across the UK at 9 sites in total, with recruitment currently (end August 2013) at 192 of the 500 target.

For further details contact: Vivienne

**OVIVA**

OVIVA is an open label randomized study of intravenous versus oral antibiotic therapy for serious bone and joint infections requiring prolonged antibiotic treatment. It began as a preliminary single-centre study in June 2010 in Oxford and has now gone multi-centre. The OVIVA team are excited to see five other sites already recruiting patients into the study. These include:
- Guys and St Thomas Hospital
- Royal Free
- Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital Stanmore
- Royal Liverpool University Hospital
- Birmingham Heartlands

The primary endpoint of the study is to determine whether oral antibiotics are no worse than intravenous antibiotics for serious bone and joint infection. This is judged by the numbers meeting a primary endpoint for definitive treatment failure during 1 year follow up. The study is funded by the NIHR HTA programme and the Biomedical Research Centre.

For further details contact: Louise Spoors

**Forthcoming Meetings**

**Injuries and Emergencies Speciality Group (IESG):** is part of the Thames Valley Comprehensive Local Research Network (TVCLRN).

Chairman: Mr Andrew MacAndrew.

**Next meeting:**
Friday 20th September at 1.30pm (lunch at 12.30pm) at Milton Keynes Hospital

**Trauma Orthopaedic Research Collaboration (TORC):** This is a national meeting attended by a mixture of Trauma, Ortho-geriatric and Bone & Metabolic Health specialists and multidisciplinary staff.

Chairman: Tim Chesser

**Next Meetings:**
December 6th 11-2 at Oxford

**TVCLRN Research Nurse Meeting**
This is an informal meeting for research support staff working within NHS research. The aim of the meeting is to offer peer support and share information and training through regular meetings

**Next Meeting: To be announced:**
Rosemary Rue Building (Teaching room A), Old Campus Road, Oxford. Contact Louise Spoors for details.

**Trauma User Group (TUG):** This is a joint meeting between clinical and research staff, and service users who have an interest in helping to shape existing and future research studies. New members are always welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

**Next Meeting:**
Tuesday 8th October 2013 from 6-8pm at the Kadoorie Centre, Level 3, John Radcliffe Hospital.

If you are interested in becoming a member or for more information please contact Vivienne Fairclough or Susanna Symonds


Useful Links

The Comprehensive Clinical Research Network: www.crncc.nihr.ac.uk/about_us/ccrn
Nuffield Department of Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Sciences: www.ndorms.ox.ac.uk
Injury Minimization Programme for Schools (I.M.P.S.): www.impsweb.co.uk
University of Oxford: www.ox.ac.uk