

**FACTOR**  
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# COLLABORATIVE DATA ECOSYSTEMS

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**Patient Advocate: Filipa Vance**



# DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

GSK, Inhibrx, TessioBio, Bayer – Advisory Board

Awen Oncology- Medical advisor

Boehringer Ingelheim – Educational speaker

Ipsen- Independent Data monitoring committee

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### WP1: Clinical objectives

- Patterns and processes of care
- Variation in management across age and primary sites
- Local therapy -surgical decision-making

### WP 2: Imaging objectives

### WP3: Biology –biomarkers and immunology

### WP4: Patient experience

- Diagnostic journeys
- Quality of Life and functional outcomes



Paed onc



TYA/ / adult



Med onc



surgeons



Pathology/ biology



Radiology



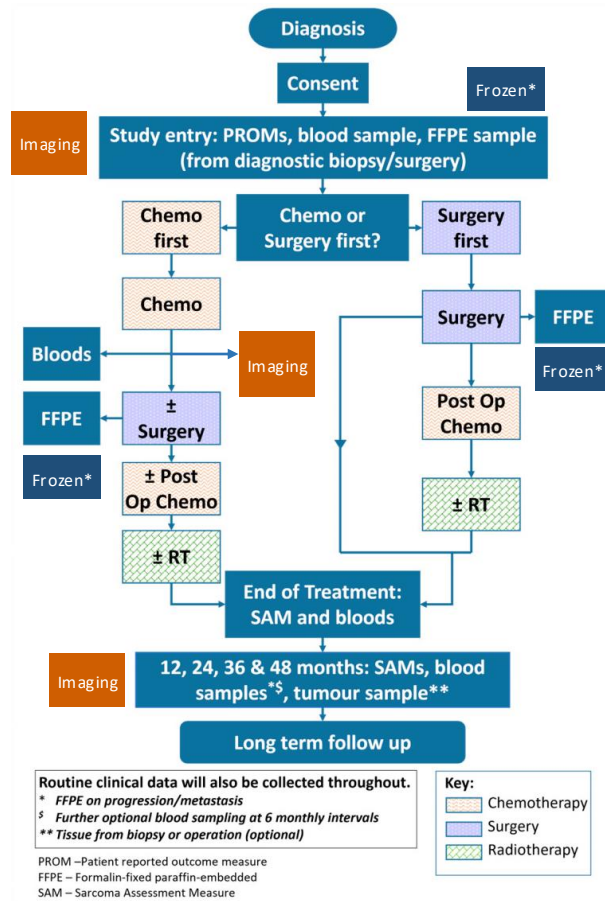
Pt experience, QoL



Patient  
advocate

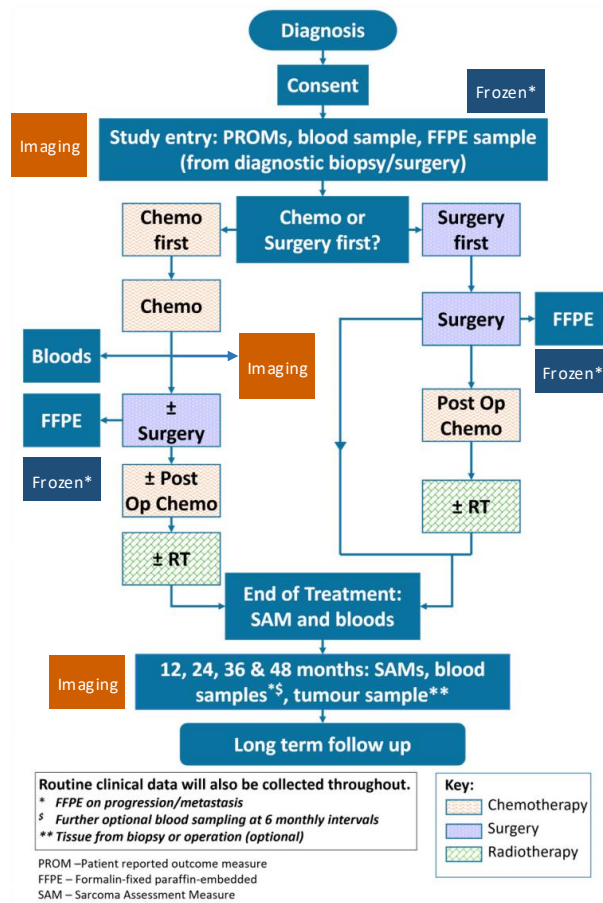
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## Study Design



All patients consented for use of data, imaging and samples for research in UK and abroad

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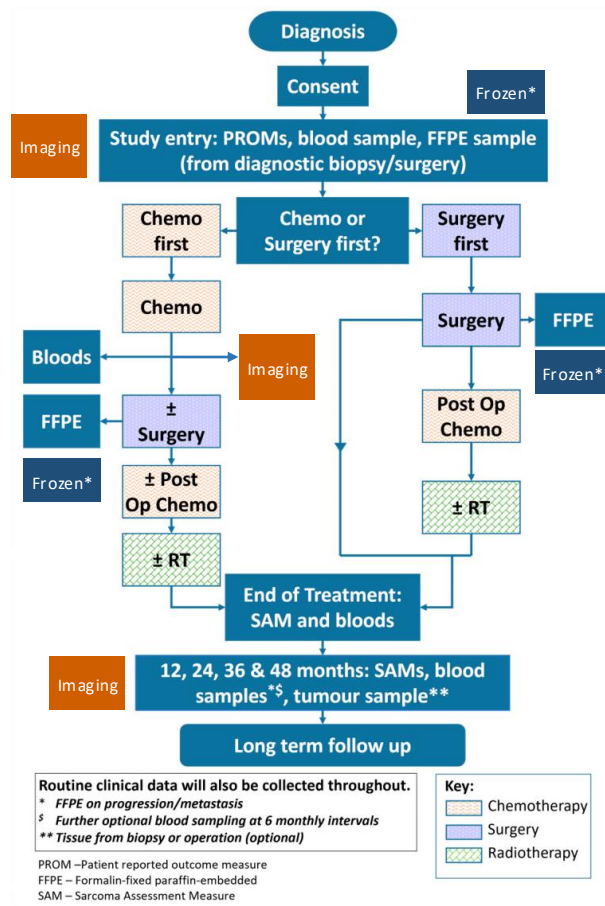
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**Hamilton Osteosarcoma Award-  
Advancing ICONIC\***

Awarded June 2023- Stage 2



January 2025 : Completed recruitment

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**\*£1M grant to support osteosarcoma research through generous donation from the Hamilton family**

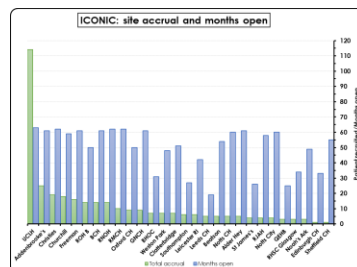
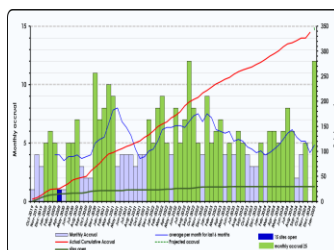
# Results

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Paediatric  
TYA  
Adult  
surgery

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## Representative patient population including rare primary sites and across ages

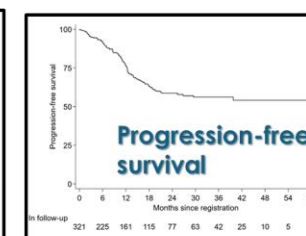
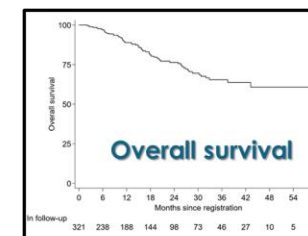
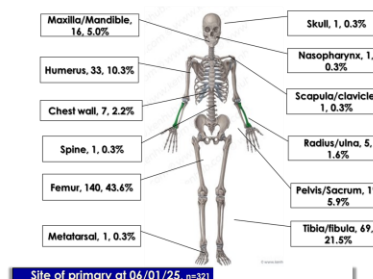
Age		
<16	109	(34%)
16-24	96	(30%)
25-50	83	(26%)
>50	33	(10%)

Gender		
Female	143	(44%)
Male	178	(56%)

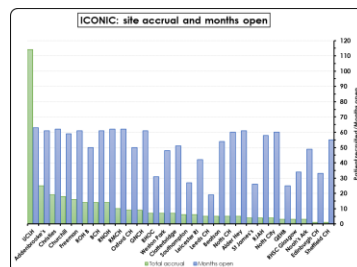
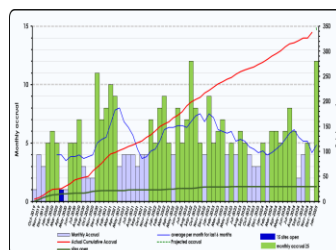
  

Metastatic disease	N	%
No	194	60
Indeterminate	47	15
Yes	59	18
Unknown	21	7



	At 12 months	At 24 months
PFS	77% (95% CI 72-82)	60% (95% CI 53-66)
OS	89% (95% CI 84-92)	77% (95% CI 70-82)

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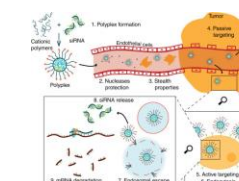
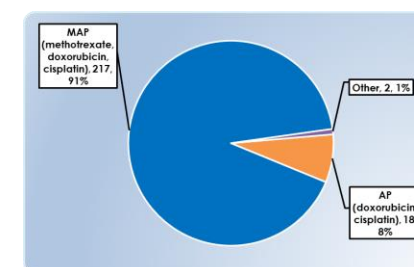
## Insights into clinical care

Staging		
CT chest	98	(98%)
No metastases	62/58	(63%)
Metastases confirmed	27/58	(28%)
Indeterminate	9/58	(9%)
PET scan	2	(2%)
No metastases	19	(19%)
Metastases confirmed	12/19	(63%)
Indeterminate	6/19	(32%)
No	17/19	(81%)
Isotope bone scan	81	(81%)
Yes	26	(26%)
No metastases	25/26	(96%)
Metastases confirmed	1/26	(4%)
No	74	(74%)
WB MRI for mets	49	(49%)
Yes	43/49	(88%)
No mets	4/49	(8%)
Metastases confirmed	1/49	(2%)
Indeterminate	1/49	(2%)
Report unavailable	1/49	(2%)
No	51	(51%)

20% PET

26% bone scan

51% WB MRI



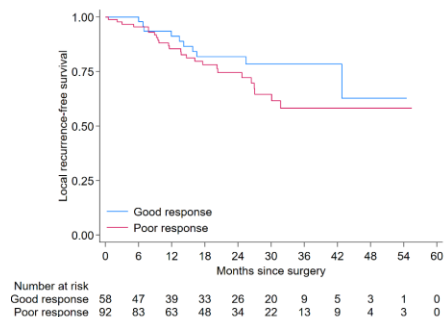
72/109 (66%) of eligible pts received mifamurtide

Differences in skeletal staging

# Surgical studies

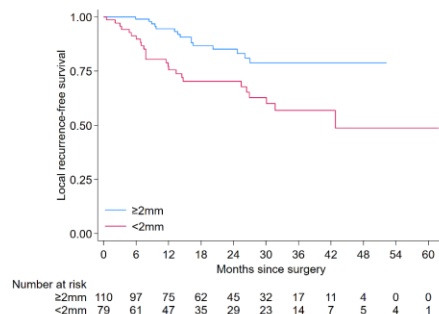
## 1. Impact of chemotherapy response and resection margin on local recurrence

### Histological response



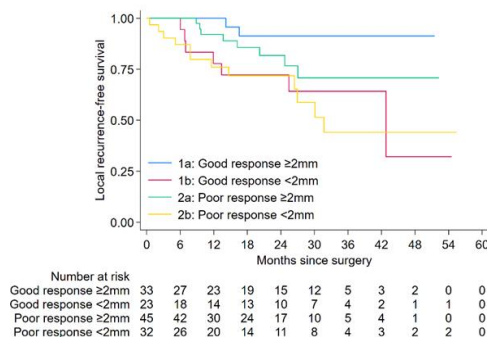
No significant difference in post-surgery local recurrence-free survival (LRFS) comparing good responders to poor responders: HR = 0.62 (95% CI 0.30-1.29), p=0.2

### Narrowest resection margin



Significant difference in LRFS based on narrowest resection margin (≥2mm vs <2mm): HR = 0.38 (95% CI 0.20-0.71), p = 0.003

### Birmingham Classification



Patients with 1a classification significantly better than all others except 2a. No other comparisons are significant.



## 2. Tumour-board decision-making for challenging primary sites

- amputation
- pelvic resections



-imaging available through centralized imaging repository (WP2)

→ collaboration with FOSTER



## 3. Contribute to EMSOS local relapse study led by Emmanuela Palmerini



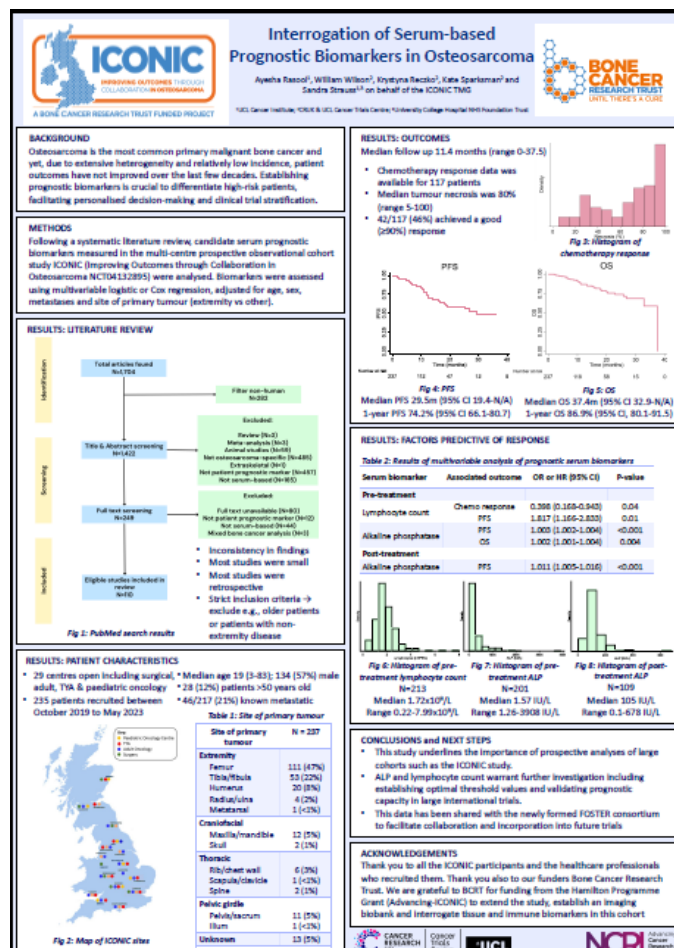
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EMILIA - ROMAGNA  
Istituto Ortopedico Rizzoli di Bologna  
Istituto di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico



An observational study of local relapse after high grade osteosarcoma

# Biology: Serum and blood biomarker studies

## Serum-based Biomarkers



## Multi-omic analysis of cfDNA

Plasma from 250 patients with diagnostic, pre-op, follow up and relapse (53)

**Dr Pillay: UCL Neo-Sarc: Cancer Research UK, Collaboration with Andy Begg**



Neo-Sarc: Enhancing the clinical whole genome sequencing programme for patients with genomically complex sarcomas.

Funded by Cancer Research UK  
Dr Pillay, Nischalan | ORCID: 0000-0003-0579-4105 | University College London  
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2025 CRUK City of London Centre MBPhD studentship

## Pilot studies analysis of CTC

> 50 paired samples, with 20 relapses

**Kenny Rankin**

CTC identification and quantification by flow cytometry



proteomic analysis of CTC – Vikky Rand, Teeside

**Robin Young and Dominique Heymann**

CTC identification and quantification by DEPArray



# Imaging biomarker studies - Led by Saurabh Singh, UCL

National Cancer Imaging Translational Accelerator (NCITA)



- National coordinated infrastructure for translation of imaging biomarkers for clinical use<sup>1</sup>. Established Imaging repositories, Standardised protocols for data integration

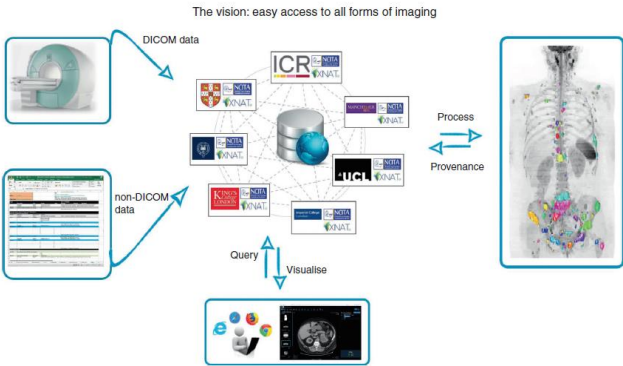


## Aim: Establish Imaging Repository

- SOPs developed
- Amendment to protocol for centres – funded upfront to sites and REC already in place

→ funding a clinical fellow at UCLH commenced Jan 2025

Margaret Spittle Fellowship, Yakup Kilic



	Treatment response	Pre and post chemotherapy Correlate to histological %necrosis and oncological outcomes
	Imaging strategy for staging of osteosarcoma in the ICONIC trial.	Staging Imaging Indeterminate findings Number of imaging tests per patient
	Radiomics-Based Prognostic Model for Osteosarcoma.	Correlation of imaging features with oncological outcomes
	Preoperative Imaging Features Predicting Functional/Surgical Outcomes	Tumour size, proximity to critical structures, location correlation to margin status

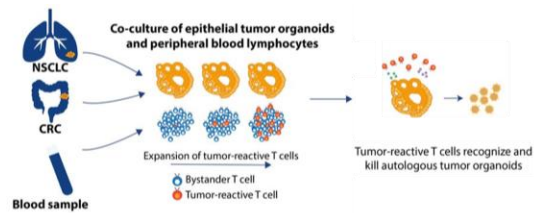
1. McAteer, et al, Br J Canc, 2019



# WP3-Biological objectives

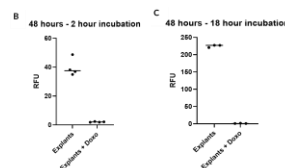
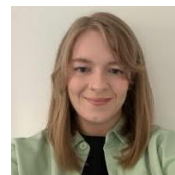
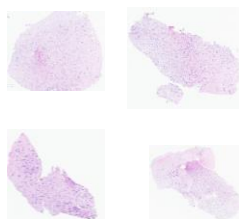
## Development of patient- derived tumour models

Pipeline– ICONIC tissue from surgery to  
UCL Primary cultures and explants

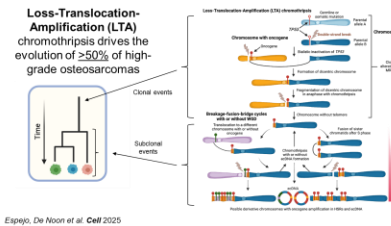


- 2 D cultures (n=20) inc 3 lung metastases
- Explants

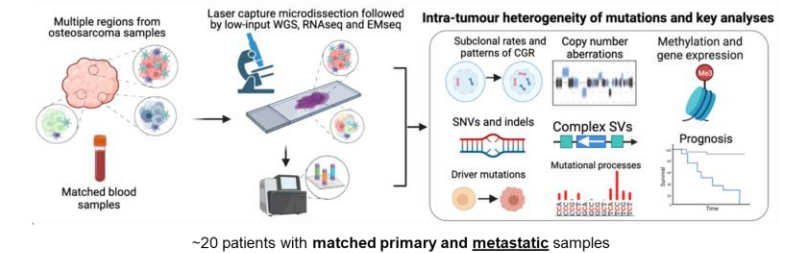
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## Decoding the tumour-immune cross talk in osteosarcoma

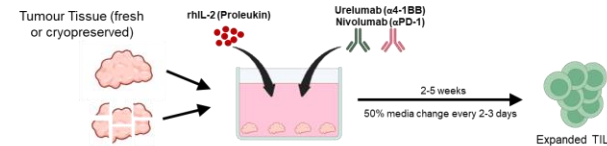


Pilot 1. Spatially resolved genomics and transcriptomics to study genomic evolution  
and immune evasion in osteosarcoma



Funding: OSTEOSARCOMA INSTITUTE, wellcome sanger institute

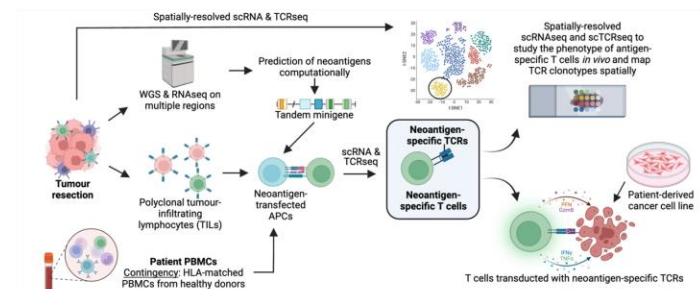
Optimized isolation of tumour infiltrating lymphocytes from osteosarcoma  
samples



Chris Pinder  
(Flanagan lab)



Isolation of TILs permits identification of which mutations are immunogenic

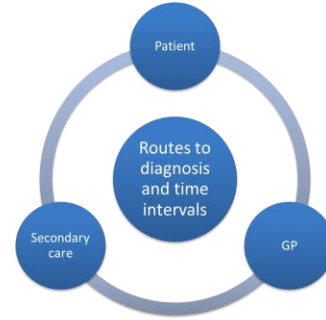
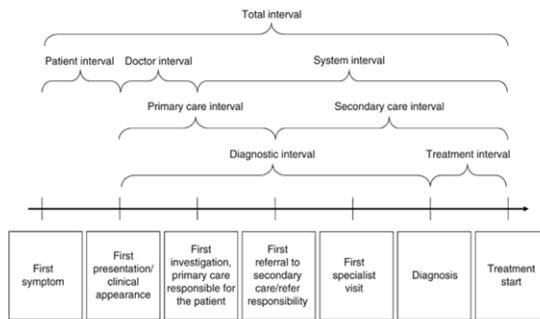


Funding: EACR (European Association for Cancer Research), The Mark Foundation for Cancer Research, Fondazione Pezcoller

## WP4: Patient experience



### Diagnostic Journey



International Cancer Benchmarking Partnership-model

### Time and routes to diagnosis

- Median No. pre-diagnostic healthcare appts 3 (1-58)
- Median time from symptoms to diagnosis 112 days (~4 months)
- 18% presented via Emergency Department (ED)
- 47% attended ED at least once

### Quality of life and functional wellbeing



EORTC QLQ-C30 (version 3)

TESS (Toronto Extremity Salvage Score)

### Sarcoma Assessment Method (SAM)

- Longitudinal assessment
- Emotional impact of OS diagnosis
- Identify factors predicting poorer PRO

Article

#### The Sarcoma Assessment Measure (SAM): Preliminary Psychometric Validation of a Novel Patient-Reported Outcome Measure

Lee Hulbert-Williams <sup>1,\*</sup>, Nicholas J. Hulbert-Williams <sup>1</sup>, Ana Martins <sup>2</sup>, Lesley Storey <sup>3</sup>, Jennie Bradley <sup>4</sup>, Hatty O'Sullivan <sup>4</sup>, Lorna A. Fern <sup>2</sup>, Maria Lawal <sup>2</sup>, Rachael Windsor <sup>5</sup>, Craig Gerrard <sup>6</sup>, Jeremy S. Whelan <sup>2</sup>, Lindsey Bennister <sup>7</sup>, Mary Wells <sup>8,9</sup> and Rachel M. Taylor <sup>10,11</sup>

Analyst commenced January 2025



## Conclusions

- Through generous funding, the infrastructure provided by a clinical trial centre, expertise of multi-disciplinary team and collaboration across the UK it has been possible to recruit a cohort of osteosarcoma patients to address clinical and biological questions
- The study provides opportunities
  - to exploit data and tissue collection
  - leverage additional funding
  - Support clinical and academic research and researchers
  - unique resource for the community

**Maximising  
benefits for  
patients,  
clinicians and  
researchers**

## BCRT and Hamilton Family

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