



# BIR

Biologic Intervention Register

## BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS BIOLOGIC INTERVENTIONS REGISTER

BADBIR  
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### Welcome to the first edition of the BADBIR CLRN Newsletter.

The March issue marks the first edition of the British Association of Dermatologists Biologic Interventions Register (BADBIR) CLRN newsletter. We aim to provide information pertinent to the conduct of the study, including rates of recruitment per centre and details of any developments.

BADBIR is a prospective observational cohort study comparing psoriasis patients receiving biologic therapy with those on conventional therapy in the UK and Ireland with the aim to assess long term safety of biologic therapy. The study commenced in August 2007 and currently has 105 centres approved to recruit, 83 which are actively recruiting patients.

The National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) has recommended that all patients in the UK receiving biologic therapies for psoriasis should be registered with us.

BADBIR was adopted onto the UKCRN Portfolio in May 2010. We have since been helping centres gain support through the various CLRN networks. Centres who have been successful in gaining CLRN support have shown a significant increase in the number of patients being recruited to the register.

Please visit us at [www.badbir.org](http://www.badbir.org)

### Eligibility Criteria

Diagnosis of Psoriasis  
Aged 16 years or over  
Written Informed Consent  
Under the care of a dermatologist

#### Biologic Cohort

Starting/switching BIOLOGIC therapy in the last 6 months

- Adalimumab
- Etanercept
- Infliximab
- Ustekinumab

#### Conventional Cohort

Starting/ Switching CONVENTIONAL therapy in the last 6 months

- Acitretin
- Ciclosporin
- Fumaric Acid Esters
- Hydroxycarbamide
- Methotrexate
- PUVA

*Must be biologic naïve  
If starting therapy—Must have a PASI >10 and a DLQI >10*

### BADBIR League Tables

The BADBIR league table below shows the top ten highest recruiters in 2011. These tables are based on average recruitment per month for 2011 (Jan, Feb, March).

Queen Elizabeth NHS Trust

St Vincent's, Dublin

St John's Institute of Dermatology (GSTT)

East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust

Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle

Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham

St James's Hospital Dublin

Cardiff and Vale NHS Trust

County Durham and Darlington NHS Trust

Lancaster Royal Infirmary

### Recruitment

We aim to recruit 4000 patients per biologic drug and 4000 patients in total to the conventional cohort. (total 20,000). **It is estimated that all centres have 5 eligible patients each month.**

### Becoming involved in BADBIR

If a dermatology department in your region has not yet expressed an interest in getting involved but would like to do so please get in touch with the BADBIR office on 0161 306 1896 or at [badbir@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:badbir@manchester.ac.uk)