

SWiFT Newsletter

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A message from our Chief Investigators



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"It has been a long and winding road, but we have finally started recruitment to the SWiFT trial. Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we get more sites up and running now that all the necessary approvals are in place and (fingers crossed) the national supply of blood products has stabilised after a particularly turbulent pre-Christmas period. We look forward to working with you all over the next couple of years to try to answer this important research question."

Study Updates: Data Management

SWiFT uses an EDC (Electronic Data Capture) system called OpenClinica (OC). Access to the live system will be given to staff members at receiving hospitals who have completed all relevant training and provided NHSBT with their in-date CV & GCP certificate. The SWiFT database is currently undergoing an update to fix some minor problems which have come to light after the trial went live. We will inform sites when the new version is going live.

Reminders & Updates

Recruitment

Three air ambulances are currently open to recruitment! The trial went live on the 15th December 2022 and so far 43* out of 848 participants have been recruited. (*as of 29/03/2023)

Site set-up

Take a look at our "Site open to recruitment map" on the last page of this newsletter for a full list of sites currently open. We are looking forward to welcoming even more sites to the SWiFT trial over the coming weeks!

To help speed up your site set-up, please email GCP certificates and signed & dated (within the last 2 years) CVs for staff involved in the SWiFT trial to: swift@nhsbt.nhs.uk

News

Look out for our new SWiFT pens which we will be posting out to sites...as approved by Maggie!



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Training

To help run SWiFT smoothly at sites, we have created a range of training materials, please see below:

- OpenClinica Site User Guide v. 1.0 (to be found in your ISF section 10.0)
- SWiFT Trial Manual: AAS Teams v. 2.1 (to be found in your ISF section 7.0)
- SWiFT Trial Manual: Transfusion Labs v. 2.0 (to be found in your ISF section 7.0)
- SWiFT Sealed Envelope & Randomisation Log Training v. 1.0 (to be found in your ISF section 12.0)
- SWiFT AAS Staff posters (hard copies will be posted to AAS teams)

COMING SOON: SWiFT Trial Manual – Receiving hospitals; SWiFT Data Collection Guide for AAS Teams; SWiFT OpenClinica Data Entry Guidelines.

If you have any questions or suggestions how we can improve our training materials, please get in touch with the trial team.

Meet the SWiFT Trial Team at NHSBT



Claire Rourke, Clinical Operations Manager



Joanne Lucas, Clinical Trial Manager



Viona Rundell, Clinical Trial Coordinator



Chloe Fitzpatrick-Creamer, Clinical Trial Assistant

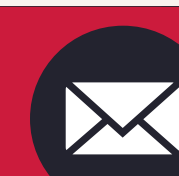
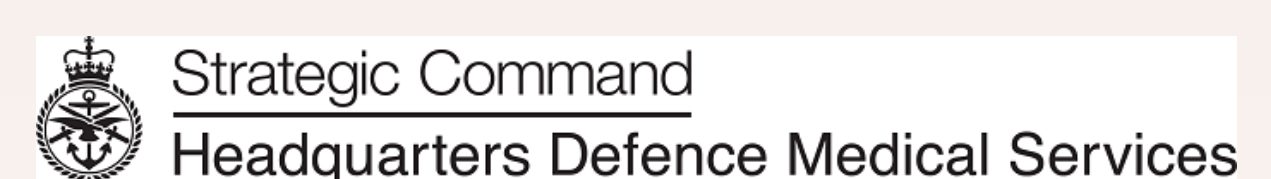
Associate PI scheme

SWiFT is registered for the associate PI scheme. We encourage PIs to identify trainees who may be interested in the role. Further details about the scheme and information how to register to be an associate PI can be found on the NIHR's Associate PI Scheme website: <https://www.nihr.ac.uk/health-and-care-professionals/career-development/associate-principal-investigator-scheme.htm>

Please let the SWiFT Team know if you have any questions.

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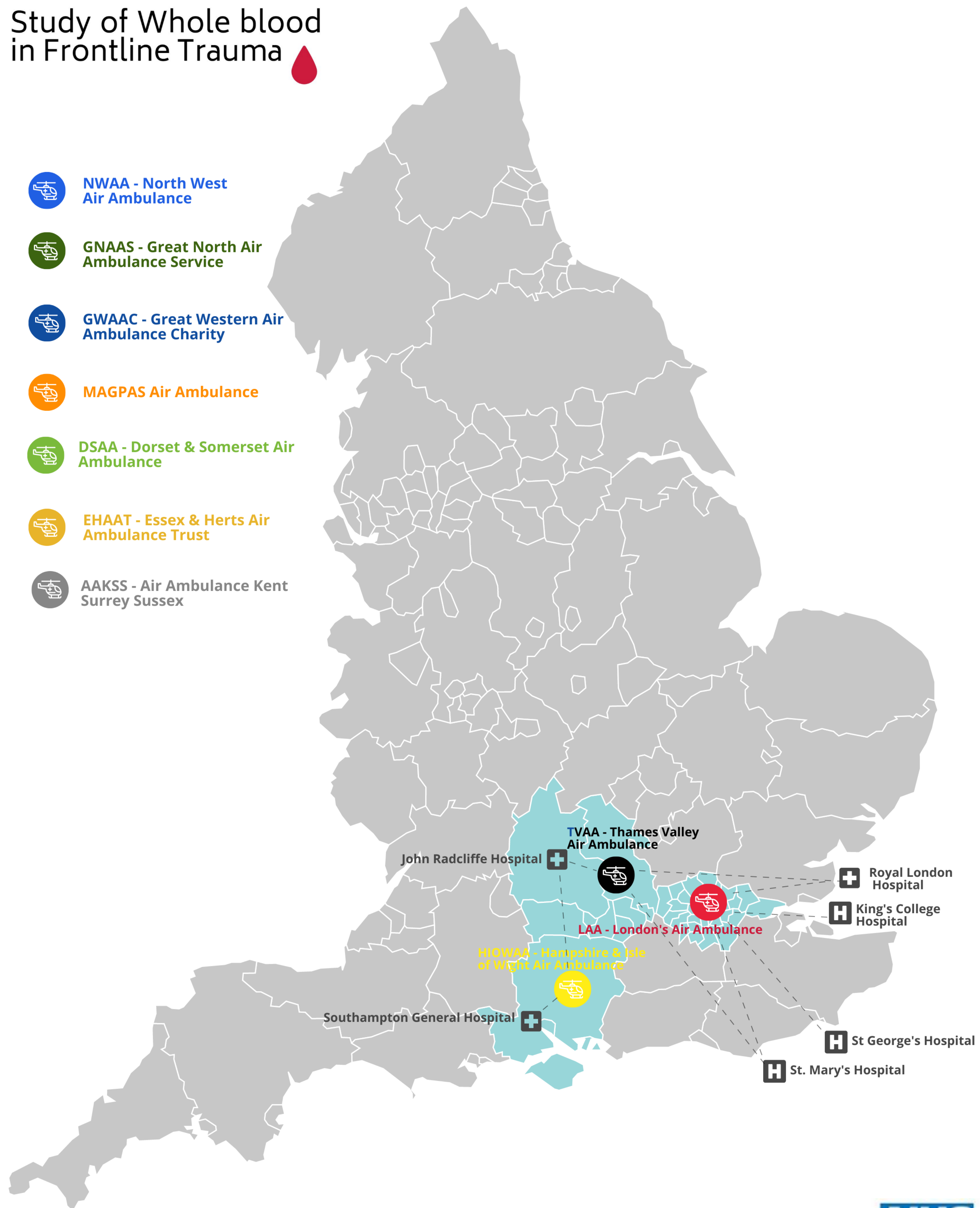
Sites open to recruitment



London's Air Ambulance
Royal London Hospital
Kings College Hospital
St Georges Hospital
St Mary's Hospital
Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance
Thames Valley Air Ambulance
Southampton General Hospital
John Radcliffe Hospital Oxford



SWiFT Participating Sites Map

-  **NWAA - North West Air Ambulance**
-  **GNAAS - Great North Air Ambulance Service**
-  **GWAAC - Great Western Air Ambulance Charity**
-  **MAGPAS Air Ambulance**
-  **DSAA - Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance**
-  **EHAAT - Essex & Herts Air Ambulance Trust**
-  **AAKSS - Air Ambulance Kent Surrey Sussex**



 Transfusion Lab (TF)  Receiving Hospital (RH)  Combined TF & RH Site

