



Weekly Newsletter - 28th May 2021



**5000**



**PRINCIPLE has  
Recruited  
5001  
Participants!**

The **PRINCIPLE** Trial has now **randomised 5001 participants** to the trial.

Another huge milestone and so we would like to **thank you** for all your hard work.

Without your support, this would not have been possible.

**Thank You!**

### New Social Media Graphics

Check out our new social media graphics!

**Twitter:** @TrialPrinciple

**Facebook:** @PRINCIPLETRIAL



### Colchicine Arm Has Stopped

Please note that with **immediate effect**, recruitment to the colchicine arm of the trial has been stopped.

The Trial Steering Committee (TSC) has advised that there is **no beneficial effect** of colchicine for the treatment of COVID-19.

There are **no safety concerns** noted – the stop is due to lack of effectiveness.



### Meet the Team—Justin Taylor—Trial Administrator



#### Why did you get into research?

I got into research after being made redundant by my previous employer as I wanted to change career direction. I reasoned that the University would be a good place to work as colleagues and friends who worked for the University and had nothing but good things to say about the place! I had a temporary position in the department in October 2019 and was immediately struck by the good work the team was doing and that it was the kind of place I wanted to work in.

#### What's your favourite thing about working at the CTU?

My favourite thing about working in the department are the people I work with - it's probably something to do with the environment as everyone is really caring about the work and their colleagues.

#### What have you learnt about working on PRINCIPLE?

I have learnt a great deal about how research is conducted and the many steps we all take to ensure that the participants are treated as well as possible, and we take confidentiality (GDPR) extremely seriously.