Dear collaborators,

Thank you for your ongoing support of CovidSurg. As we enter the final month for the inclusion of new patients, we have had data entered for over 33,000 patients from across 950 hospitals in 78 countries. This has been a remarkable effort and could not have been achieved without the hard work and support of all collaborators.

The patient inclusion window will close on 31st July (i.e. patients operated in August can not be included) and registration is now closed to new centres. Additional REDCap accounts for existing study centres will only be issued in exceptional circumstances.

CovidSurg-Cancer

We have noted that there are some disparities in the dates of treatment decision, date of operation and dates of reimaging, including some dates in February - April 2019. It is highly likely that these have been miscoded and were conducted in February - April 2020. We will send around some targeted emails specifically to chase this, but at this stage could we ask all COVIDSurg-Cancer collaborators to log into their patient records and check key dates.

Please ensure that authorship details for your site are up-to-date and completed on the ‘CovidSurg Authorship REDCap Project’, eligibility for authorship on specific outputs is determined on whether your site has contributed data to each specific data analysis. All REDCap users have access to the Authorship project. If you have any questions please speak to you PI or email covidsurgdata@gmail.com.

Next CovidSurg Study

CovidSurg Cohort and Cancer studies will reach the end of patient inclusion in the next months. We are now designing the next CovidSurg study which will focus on the safety of operating patients with previous SARS-CoV-2 infection. The number of patients with a previous infection is increasing and there is lack of evidence about their surgical risk and how it changes over time.

This study will have a short data collection window and wide inclusion criteria, allowing hospitals to take part regardless the impact of COVID-19 in their communities.

Stay tuned for news about this new cohort study!

COVID Paeds Cancer

A COVID Paeds Cancer study has now been developed and is ready to launch.
If you would be interested in participating in this study please visit https://forms.gle/KaL1KcdZqTgorpvf7 and complete the form so that interest in the study can be gauged and a network of professionals interested in paediatric cancer care can be formed.

There is a paediatric cancer WhatsApp group at https://chat.whatsapp.com/J8CVb6iANPd7ymYhO1uO7 where any interested parties are invited to join.

Useful Links

Please see below for links to useful documents and information.

➢ Patient Information Booklet (colour)
➢ Patient Information Booklet (black & white)
➢ REDCap Data Entry Guide
➢ Eligibility Flowchart

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