

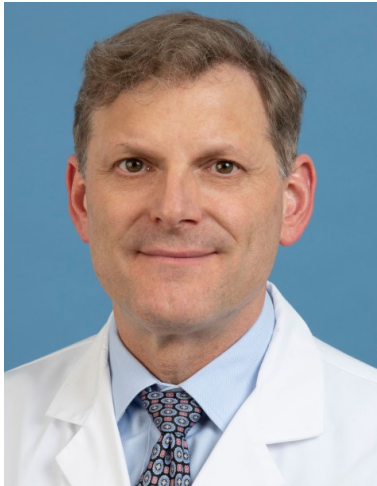
# The VERIFY STUDY

Validation of Early Prognostic Data for Recovery  
Outcome after Stroke for Future, Higher Yield Trials

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## Sites Released to Enroll

- University of Cincinnati Medical Center
- MedStar Washington Hospital Center
- Emory University
- UT-Memorial Hermann Texas Medical Center
- University of Michigan
- Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC)
- The University of Utah
- Baystate Medical Center
- UVA Medical Center
- Duke University Hospital
- Massachusetts General Hospital
- University of Maryland Medical Center
- UPMC Presbyterian Hospital
- University of Alabama \* Indicates site activated since last newsletter
- UCSF Medical Center \* Indicates site activated since last newsletter
- University of Wisconsin
- NYU Langone Medical Center\*



-Steve Cramer, MD, MMSc

Enrollments continue at a steady pace, with VERIFY now up to 17 sites. We are grateful for everyone's contributions as we try to establish valid biomarkers of stroke recovery. Thank you everyone!



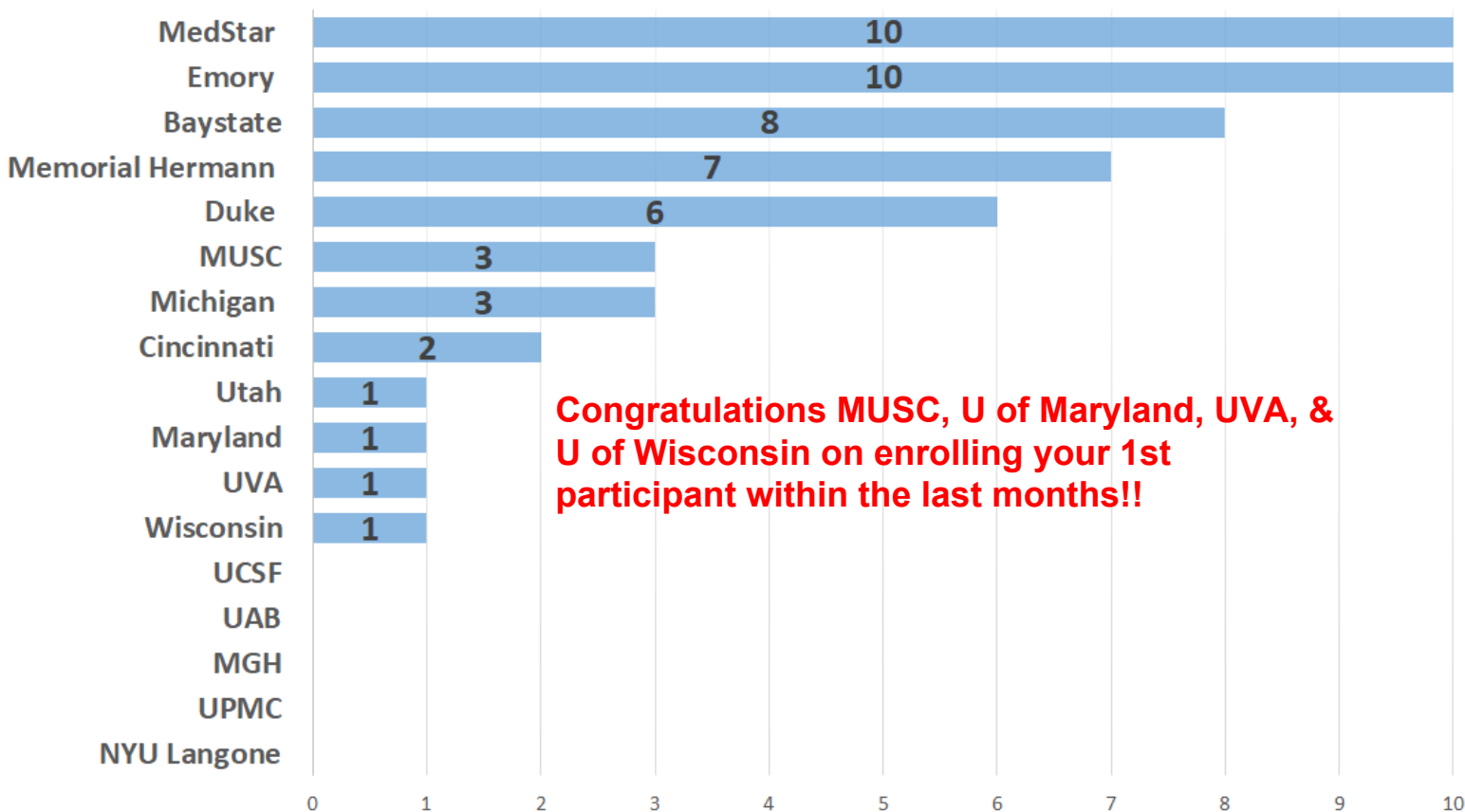
## Study Reminders

- The FM & ARAT assessors and the patient/families should be blinded to the TMS MEP status.
  - The FM & ARAT assessors should NOT enter the TMS data into WebDCU, it will unblind them.
- Sites need to ensure phantom scans are completed every 6 months, otherwise there is a risk of having unusable MRI scans from participants. Contact Tyler Behymer with any questions at [behymetp@ucmail.uc.edu](mailto:behymetp@ucmail.uc.edu)
- All sites using RedCAP eConsent should ensure that all consenters have completed the following training:
  - [https://redcap.link/StrokeNet\\_eConsent\\_Training](https://redcap.link/StrokeNet_eConsent_Training)
  - In addition, the VERIFY specific RedCAP eConsent Guide is available in the WebDCU toolbox tab.
- The protocol training slides have been updated to reflect current study processes & the approved protocol v1.5.
  - These slides are accessible in the toolbox tab of WebDCU and on the DCU campus training website (<https://dcu.musc.edu/campus/>)
  - Please note: The protocol training slides will be updated again, once protocol amendment v1.6 is approved by the central IRB.



## Enrollment Updates

VERIFY TOTAL ENROLLMENTS: 53/657



### New enrollments since last newsletter

- MUSC, +3
  - PI- Dr. Heise, PSC- Valerie Salisbury
- Emory, +3
  - PI- Dr. Borich, PSC- Susan Murphy
- Michigan, +1
  - PI- Dr. Krishnan, PSC- Shannen Bolde
- Memorial Hermann, +1
  - PI- Dr. Savitz, PSC- Emily Stevens
- Baystate +1
  - PI- Dr. Schlaug, PSC- Sirisha Nouduri
- University of Maryland, +1
  - PI- Dr. Braun, PSC- Bisola Amodu
- UVA Medical Center, +1
  - PI- Dr. Aldridge, PSC- Miah Perch
- University of Wisconsin, +1
  - PI- Dr. Ahmed, PSC- Sima Sayyahmelli
- MedStar, +1
  - PI- Dr. Edwardson, PSC- Jamal Smith



## TMS Reminders

- Study coordinators should remind their TMS operators to use the comments section on the TMS source documentation if the TMS procedure did not go as planned. This will inform the TMS team that the site understood what they did during the TMS procedure (especially if there were issues with the data).
- TMS operators should NOT use their clinical judgment to determine MEP status. Please just follow the protocol.
- Both channels need to be negative to determine whether a participant is MEP negative.
- Any site staff completing the TMS safety checklist with participants NEED to have previously completed the TMS safety checklist online training module.
  - The TMS safety checklist training is located here: <https://verifytraining.blogs.auckland.ac.nz/tms-safety-checklist/>
- Sites can proactively schedule a time for themselves to enter the TMS data into WebDCU within 24 hours after the procedure. This will help ensure that the data is entered on time.



## Webinars

- PI/CRC webinars occur on the 3rd Monday of each month, 4pm-5pm EDT. **Next PI/CRC webinar is on 02.27.2023.**
  - <https://ucincinnati.zoom.us/j/96525424408> Meeting ID: 965 2542 4408
- CRC webinars occur on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 12pm-1pm EDT. **Next CRC webinar is on 02.28.2023**
  - <https://ucincinnati.zoom.us/j/93360687517> Meeting ID: 933 6068 7517



