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Newsletter from the CTSN DCC & NHLBI

Top Enrollers

1. Montefiore-Einstein and University of Pennsylvania (14)
2. Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Emory University and the University of Virginia Health System (10)
3. Montreal Heart Institute (7)

Mark Your Calendar

- In-person Investigator-Coordinator Meeting October 20-21, Crystal City
- In-person Investigator-Coordinator Meeting January 19-20, Crystal City

Reminders

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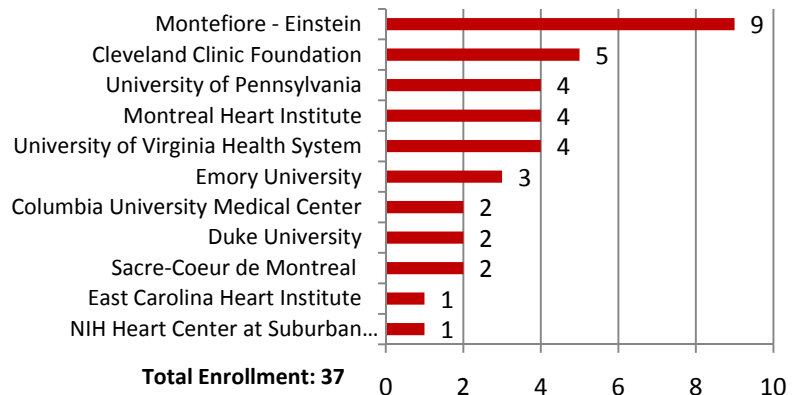
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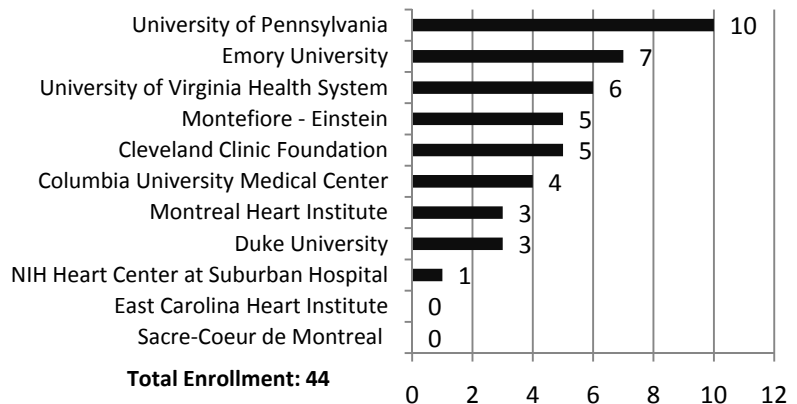
Welcome to the Ancillary Sites!

Sacre-Coeur de Montreal recently joined the CTSN and has already enrolled **2** patients into the MMR trial!

MMR Randomization by Site



SMR Randomization by Site



Coordinators' Corner: Challenges in recruitment: Learning to cast a wider net

During the first seven months of enrollment, our site recruitment was exceedingly slow and significantly under targeted goals. We realized that we needed to "cast a wider net" and begin to consider patients for these important trials much earlier in the clinical process. The site took a multi-faceted approach to this issue: information sessions were held with all faculty members in Cardiology; local cardiologists were added to the IRB's list of investigators and coordinators began screening daily for patients in the on-site cardiac cath lab. The results have proven successful and now the challenge is to remain *focused* – and to continue to widen our nets.

Looking forward to reaching our targeted enrollment goals.
Sandra Burks, Clinical Research Coordinator, UVA

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