

Examples of activities undertaken by 2015 UK DCTN Trainee Groups

Group	Illustrative Examples of Activities
Does iron replacement improve hair re growth compared to placebo in patients receiving standard treatment for Alopecia Areata?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinician survey undertaken • Scoping literature review completed
Does the order of application of topical corticosteroids and emollients make a difference to clinical outcomes in patients with eczema? Does the time interval between application of topical corticosteroids and emollients make a difference to clinical outcomes in patients with eczema?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthcare professional and patient surveys undertaken (poster presentation at BAD Annual meeting 2016 – abstract P114) • Experiences written up as an article for BAD newsletter Summer 2017 • Made relevant links with pharmacokinetic groups across UK to progress that element of the work (including a collaborative funding application to the LEO foundation) • Full study vignette submitted to UK DCTN – advised to put RCT on hold until further pharmacokinetic studies conducted
Do prophylactic antibiotics reduce the risk of wound infection at 4 weeks following excision of ulcerated skin cancers?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinician survey undertaken (oral presentation at BSDS, BAD Annual meeting 2016 – abstract DS17 and published in BJD) • CAT submitted to BJD for publication (accepted) • Full study vignette submitted to UK DCTN and approved for development • Successful funding bid (UK DCTN Pump-priming fund/Dermatology Forum for Wales/ University Hospital of Wales Dermatology Department Research Fund) for OASIS feasibility study-prospective observational study to investigate infection rates and practice •
To compare the safety and effectiveness of ciclosporin versus omalizumab for the systemic treatment of recalcitrant chronic spontaneous urticaria (CSU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinician survey undertaken • Poster presentation BAD annual meeting July 2017(abstract CD24) • CAT submitted to BJD for publication