



We currently have several studies (including drug trials) that we are recruiting to and more in set up.

Interventional studies currently recruiting:

COURAGE-ALS: This study aims to find out if the drug Reldesemtiv will slow the progression of ALS.
Web link: [COURAGE-ALS Clinical Trial](#)

OptiCALS: This study aims to find out if a diet-based approach can slow down the progression of MND.
Web link: [OptiCALS | SchARR | The University of Sheffield](#)

Lighthouse II: This study aims to find out if the drug Triumeq will slow the progression of ALS.
Web link: [Triumeq | MND Association](#)

PHOENIX: This study aims to find out if the drug AMX0035 (a combination for TUDCA and sodium phenylbutyrate) will slow the progression of ALS.
Web link: [PHOENIX trial \(tricals.org\)](#)

MAGNET: The MAGNET trial currently consists of one sub-study to test the efficacy of lithium carbonate, called the **PRELUDE** trial.
Web link: <https://www.tricals.org/en>

Non-interventional studies recruiting:

KCL Biobank – This is a one-off blood sample to be taken at King’s College London. These samples are being used in research to investigate biomarkers in blood and saliva (for all forms of MND).

Upcoming interventional studies:

MND-SMART trial

Full title: Motor Neurone Disease Systematic Multi-arm Adaptive Randomised Trial (MND-SMART)
The study aims to find out if drugs that are already used to treat other medical conditions can slow the progression of MND.

Web link: <https://www.mnd-smart.org/>

Additional Resources:

Another useful resource where you can check any current research being carried out in the UK can be found on the MND Association website:

<https://www.mndassociation.org/research/get-involved-in-research/take-part-in-research/>

CLINICAL TRIALS RESEARCH UPDATE

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STUDIES/CLINICAL TRIALS RECRUITMENT AND PATIENT INVOLVEMENT:

- * All our patients are seen in a multi-disciplinary clinic (MDT) and offered an option for research study participation.
- * All our patients have an opportunity to participate in research.
- * Our MND patients have access to participate in global Phases 1 to 3 clinical trials.
- * With patient's consent, we can add them to the trials interested patient list and approach patients when we have a clinical trial which they might be eligible for.
- * Each clinical trial has an Inclusion and Exclusion criteria which must be met for someone to be able to participate in the study.
- * All research participation is voluntary, and a patient's research decision will not affect their clinical care.
- * Our patients have a voice in clinical trials protocols (as part of trial set up steering group committees).
- * As a tertiary centre, we accept research referrals from other research centres and hospitals within the UK.
- * Kings College hosts yearly Legacy events and are involved in raising MND /ALS awareness to the public with patient collaboration.

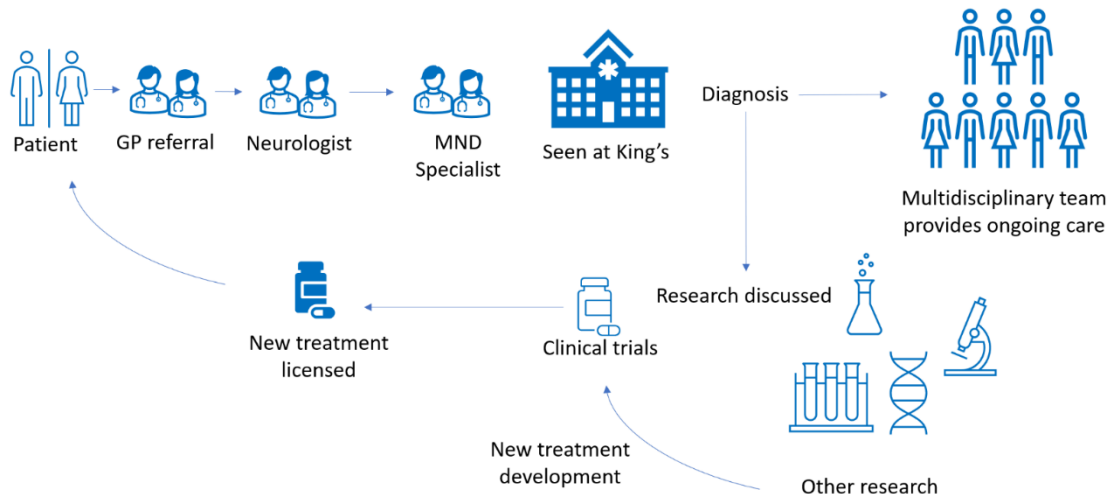


Illustration of patient care and research pathway at King's MND Care and Research Centre

I hope this information is helpful and please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further research information.

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