

How to randomise an eligible patient

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Randomisation process

If a patient is eligible for the trial and informed consent process completed (eg waiver or agreement), they should be RANDOMISED as soon as possible

- Use one box at a time
- Take the next lowest numbered treatment pack from the box of 8 packs



Randomisation process

ALWAYS use the treatment packs in sequential order starting with the LOWEST NUMBER

eg 4001/41 must be used before 4001/42



- DO NOT SKIP numbers!
 This will break the randomisation sequence.
- Open the pack and check that all the ampoules are intact
- Complete the Entry form questions 17–21
 - eligibility has already been confirmed by completing questions 1–16

When is a patient randomised?

- The randomisation number is officially assigned at the point when all four ampoules are found to be intact.
- Record randomisation number on ENTRY form

From this point onwards, the ENTRY form and OUTCOME form must be sent to the TCC even if the patient does not receive any of the trial treatment, or if subsequently they are found to be not eligible.

Labels

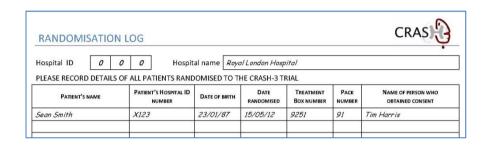
The pre-numbered stickers and pre-printed labels will help you to record the randomisation details accurately on all necessary documents and in the patient's medical notes.

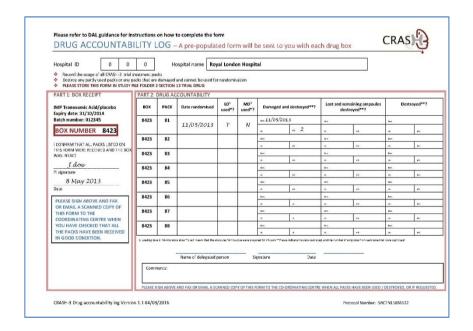


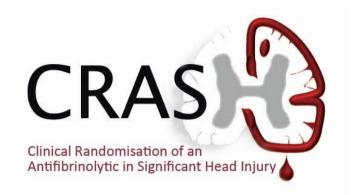
- Place one of the yellow randomisation stickers from the pack lid to each of the blue labels
- Complete the label MEDICAL RECORDS with the eligibility, consent and randomisation data and place in the patient's medical notes
- Complete the label MEDICAL RECORDS COVER and place on the front of the medical notes
- Fill in the prescription labels and place in the medical notes (one for each dose given)
- Fill in the two infusion labels and place one on each infusion bag

Documenting the randomisation

- Record the randomisation on the Randomisation Log and the drug allocation on the Drug Accountability log.
- Transmit the entry data to the TCC as soon as possible but within 24 hours after randomisation







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