

Some of our past achievements – This edition highlights

Presidential visit to 2CA; Grants awarded on 2016; Feedback from previous editions of our Clinical Research Training program; 2CA-Braga in numbers (overall projects, recruitment); Upcoming events: Yearly internal recognition event – 2CA-Day. Hope you enjoy the reading!

Presidential Visit to 2CA



Last November 25th, 2CA was honoured to receive the visit of Portuguese President Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa. President Marcelo highlighted the collaboration between University of Minho and Hospital de Braga, which he believes, empowers the linkage between basic and clinical/applied research and improves healthcare in Portugal. Our President emphasized the relevance of 2CA, particularly in managing clinical trials (2CA is responsible for 1/3 of clinical trials conducted in Portugal!), and leveraging future projects, involving clinical research and validation of medical devices. Additionally, President highlights the youth of the team and the diversity of ongoing projects, addressing varied areas such as paediatrics, psychiatry, oncology and neurology. President sums up saying that the projects are wide-ranging and future-driven!



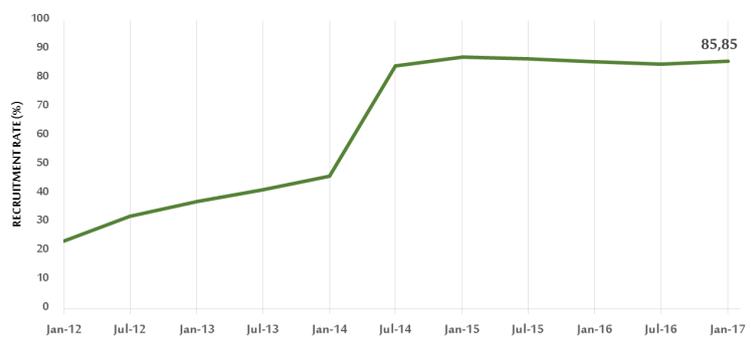
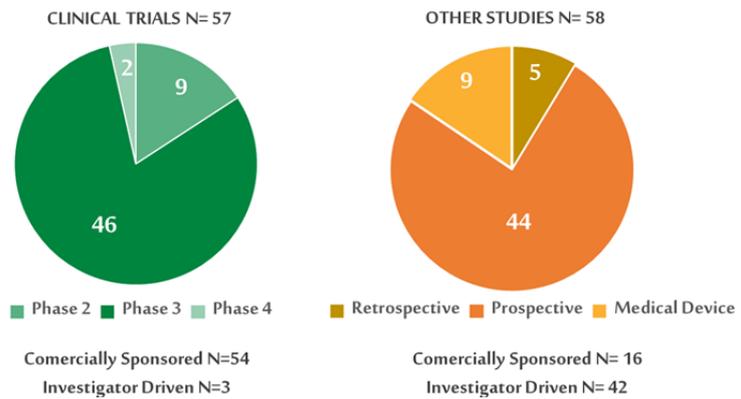
2CA in Numbers

As of January 2017, we are currently managing a total of 115 clinical studies. As you can see in the graph below, there are 57 ongoing clinical trials (phases 2, 3 and 4). Of these, 3 are investigator driven studies and the remaining are commercially sponsored. Of note, an increasing number of studies concerning validation of medical devices have been conducted/endorsed.

In terms of overall participants in commercially sponsored studies, we have reached a total of 358 participants (220 in clinical trials and 138 in non-interventional studies)!

Our dedication is revealed in numbers: since last year, 2CA duplicated the number of commercially sponsored clinical studies. Thank you all for partnering with us! A special acknowledge to our highly-committed staff!

Please see below the distribution of the clinical studies currently managed by 2CA-Braga.



2016 Grants

2CA-Braga has been supporting several research projects. The following 3 research projects started in 2013 and their results were presented last year:



Fernanda Marques (ICVS/E M-UM)

Exploring astrocytic proteins as novel biomarkers of Multiple Sclerosis -ASTROMS



Agostinho Carvalho (ICVS/E M-UM)

PTX3-mediated innate regulation of inflammation in sarcoidosis – GENSARC



Patrício Costa (ICVS/E M-UM)

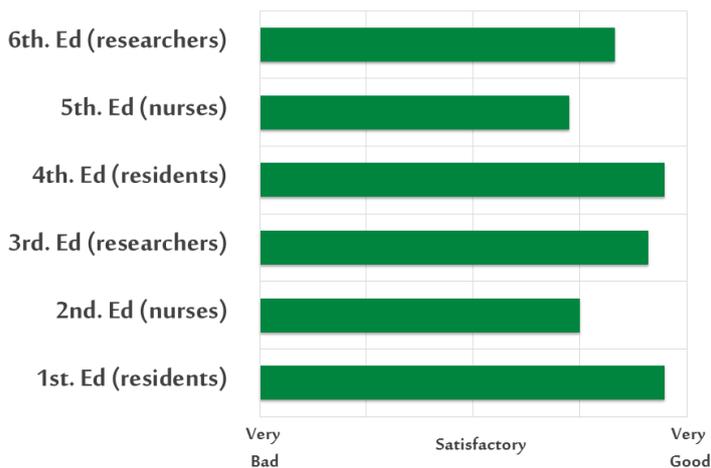
Neuro-Politics | The neural correlates of political decision-making: an fMRI-based approach

Time for feedback

Our Clinical Research Training Programme, entitled “From regulations to practice” started in 2014 and is currently going to host its seventh edition. The main objective is to provide clinical professionals with training in clinical research requirements and research methodologies, including medical writing and biostatistics, promoting awareness and development of investigator-driven studies.

Feedback is important for us to continuously improve training programs. We have been collecting participants’ feedback since the first edition. The overall feedback per training session (and main target) is presented below.

Feedback provided by Clinical Research Programme participants:



Upcoming events

2CA-Braga Day

It is a pleasure to announce that on March 10th we will celebrate another edition of the 2CA-Braga day.

It is a yearly internal event intended to recognize research projects supported by the 2CA-Braga.

The event will count with the presence of the 2CA Board of Directors and the Rector of University of Minho. During the morning, we will be summing up several research projects held in 2015 and 2016. To close the event, there will be an award ceremony to recognize investigators of research projects conducted in 2016, in partnership with 2CA-Braga.

For additional information on the event program consult our website www.ccabraga.org

Clinical Research Training Programs

Don't miss the date! Join our forthcoming clinical research training programs on “Clinical Research: from regulation to practice”.

7th Edition | 27/Feb – 3/Mar | Residents

8th Edition | 10/Jul – 14/Jul | Nurses

9th Edition | 6/Nov – 10/Nov | Other researchers

Coming soon:

Medical Device: from regulation to practice (1st Edition).

Target: clinical researchers and startups in product development phase.

For additional information on upcoming trainings, modules description and applications, consult our website www.ccabraga.org

Clinical Research & Innovation Journeys

The 4th Clinical Research & Innovation Journeys will be hosted by 2CA-Braga, on 13 of October, 2017. This will take place in the auditorium Professor Joaquim Machado of the Hospital de Braga.

More information coming soon in www.ccabraga.org



Contacts 2CA-Braga

Email: 2ca@ccabraga.org

Phone: +351 253 027 249

Mobile Phone: +351 915 303 511

<http://www.ccabraga.org>

Hospital de Braga, Lugar de Sete Fontes, S. Victor

4710-243 Braga, Portugal