

Patient recruitment strategy

WHF COVID-19 and CVD Extension study

- Sample Size per site = 100 (competitive, sites can recruit more than 100 patients if possible)
- Retrospective data collection – 25 patients
 - For WHF COVID-19 and CVD Extension study, the UCT EC approval received on 21st November 2021. The patients admitted to the hospital on or after 21st November 2021 are eligible for the study. Total 25 patients can be recruited retrospectively (data collection using medical records).
- Prospective data collection – 75 patients

WHF COVID-19 Long term study

- Sample Size per site = 100 (competitive, sites can recruit more than 100 patients if possible)
- Patients enrolled in WHF Extension study are eligible for COVID-19 Long term study.
 - **Patients recruited prospectively in WHF Extension study** will be followed up telephonically at 1-month, 3-month, 6-month, 9-12 month.
 - **Patients recruited retrospectively in WHF Extension study**
 - Patients recruited retrospectively can be followed up for 3-month, 6-month, 9-12 month follow up data collection **as per the hospital discharge date.**
 - For e.g. Patients **discharged** on 15th Dec 2021 – can be recruited for 6-month follow up data collection on 15th June 2022 (the window period for data collection is ± 7 days). Questionnaire will be administered over telephone (in these patients, it is acceptable that data for 1-month and 3-month follow-up is missing). The same patient will be followed up for 9-12 month data collection in Oct-Dec 2022.
 - For e.g. Patients **discharged** on 15th March 2022 - can be recruited for 3-month follow up data collection on 15th June 2022 (the window period for data collection is ± 7 days). Questionnaire will be administered over telephone. (in these patients, it is acceptable that data for 1-month is missing). The same patient will be followed up for 6-month data collection in Sept. 2022 and so on for 9-12 month data collection.