PLORAS Summary of Substantial Amendments

| Number | Details | Date | Approved? | Category |
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| 1 | Summary: We sought approval for modifying our poster (document 1b) into a smaller version. This was to be used as an advertisement in appropriate publications, e.g. Stroke News magazine, national press, etc. | | N/A | N/A |
| | NB: There is no acknowledgement letter/favourable opinion letter from our REC for the advert - we later learned that it can be submitted as a minor amendment as it is a reduced size version of the approved poster. | | | |
| | 1e - PLORAS Advert | | | |
| 2 | Summary: We sought approval for a letter template to be sent to potential participants, as an initial contact to establish whether they would consider taking part in the study. The letter would be sent by research practitioners at local sites, with a stamped addressed/postage paid envelope to avoid the patient incurring any costs. 1d - PLORAS Invitation for Trust or GP Patients V2 November 2013 Notice_of_Amendment_2 13-LO-1515_Substantial_Amendment_2_Acknowledgement_Letter 13-LO-1515-Substantial_Amendment_2_Unfavourable_Opinion_Letter | | No | |
| 3 | Summary: We sought approval for changes made following feedback for Substantial Amendment 2 from the ethics committee: Simplified the letter. Created a picture version of the letter. Added a statement offering assurances to those patients who choose not to take part. Added the names of contact persons. Added text highlighted in yellow on document 1d. | | Yes | |
| | 1d - PLORAS Invitation for Trust or GP Patients V3 February 2014 | Feb 2014 | | |
| | 1d-P - PLORAS Invitation for Trust or GP Patients V1 February 2014 | Feb 2014 | | |

| | Notice_of_Amendment_3 | Feb 2014 | | |
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| | 13-LO-1515_Substantial_Amendment_3_Acknowledgement_Letter | Feb 2014 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_Substantial_Amendment_3_Acknowledgement_Letter_Old | Feb 2014 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515-Substantial_Amendment_3_Favourable_Opinion_Letter | Feb 2014 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515-Substantial_Amendment_3_Favourable_Opinion_Letter_Old | Feb 2014 | | |
| 4 | Summary: We sought approval for several changes. Some changes were made at the request of our external recruiting sites, to facilitate their recruitment procedures. Others were initiated internally by the PLORAS Research Team, partly again to facilitate smoother recruitment and testing procedures and, importantly for the welfare of our participants, to simplify and reduce what can be burdensome paperwork for participants with communication difficulties. See supporting documents for all changes: Covering Letter for Substantial Amendment 4 | | Yes | |
| | PLORAS Version Control 23.12.2014 | | | |
| | 1d - PLORAS Invitation for Trust or GP Patients V4 December 2014 | 10/12/2014 | | |
| | 1d-P - PLORAS Invitation for Trust or GP Patients V2 December 2014 | 10/12/2014 | | |
| | 2PLORAS Participant Information Sheet V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 2-CPLORAS Consultee Information Sheet V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 2-PPLORAS Participant Information Sheet V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 2SPLORAS Participant Information Sheet External+V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 2S-CPLORAS Consultee Information Sheet External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 2S-PPLORAS Participant Information Sheet External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3_PLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire and Initial Consent V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3-P_PLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire and Initial Consent V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3EPLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire External V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3E-PPLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire External V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3SPLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 3S-PPLORAS Participant Screening Questionnaire External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 4_PLORAS Participant Information and Consent V3 November 2014 | 23/12/2014 | | |
| | 4-CPLORAS Declaration V3 November 2014 | 23/12/2014 | | |
| | 4-PPLORAS Participant Information and Consent V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 4EPLORAS Consent External V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 4E-CPLORAS Declaration External V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |

| | 4E-P PLORAS Consent External V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
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| | 4S PLORAS Consent External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 4S-CPLORAS Declaration External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | 4S-P_PLORAS Consent External+ V3 November 2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | PLORAS_Protocol_V3_November_2014 | 03/11/2014 | | |
| | Notice_of_Amendment_4 | 05/01/2015 | | |
| | Covering_Letter_for_Substantial_Amendment_4 | 12/01/2015 | | |
| 5 | Summary: | | Yes | |
| | We sought approval for a letter template for contacting previous participants in our study | | | |
| | who answered 'yes' to the following question on the consent form: | | | |
| | 'The PLORAS Research Team can contact me in future about taking part in other studies.' | | | |
| | The letter is sent to participants (who answered 'yes' to the above question) who we think | | | |
| | might be suitable for other studies our collaborators are running. The collaborating | | | |
| | institutions we send this on behalf of will include (but not be limited to) universities, | | | |
| | hospitals, and charities. They will have their own ethical approval for their study. | | | |
| | 1fPLORAS Other Studies Invitation Letter V1 January 2016 | 08/01/2016 | | |
| | Notice_of_Amendment_5 | 08/01/2016 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA5_REC_Acknowledgement | 01/02/2016 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA5_REC_Favourable_Opinion | 10/02/2016 | | |
| 6 | Summary: | | Yes | |
| | We sought approval for new process for patients who can only take part in the study through | | | |
| | use of their routine clinical scan (not research scan). Included sending the Aphasia | | | |
| | Recovery and Therapy Questionnaire (AR&TQ) before we potentially see them for a | | | |
| | language assessment. This will apply to patients who have consented to the study at their | | | |
| | recruiting site. We added the process to the Protocol. | | | |
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| | We also made the following change on page 14: | | | |
| | Capitalised 'Aphasia Recovery and Therapy Questionnaire' and added acronym. | | | |
| | PLORAS_Protocol_V4_February_2016 | 16/02/2016 | | |
| | 1gPLORAS_Clinical_Scan_On_Hold_Letter_V1_January_2016 | 21/01/2016 | | |
| | Notice_of_Amendment_6 | 16/02/2016 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA6_REC_Acknowledgement | 17/02/2016 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA5_REC_Favourable_Opinion | 16/03/2016 | | |
| 7 | Summary: | | Yes | Α |

| We sought approval for several changes. Some changes were made at the request of our external recruiting sites, to facilitate their recruitment procedures. Others were initiated internally by the PLORAS Research Team, partly again to facilitate smoother recruitment and testing procedures and, importantly for the welfare of our participants, to simplify and reduce what can be burdensome paperwork for participants with communication difficulties. We also made changes to our IRAS form to allow for the addition of external research sites in Wales and to reflect that part of the study would be undertaken as an educational project (by UCL MSc Speech and Language Sciences students). See supporting documents for all changes: Covering Letter for Substantial Amendment 7 PLORAS Change Summary SA7 | | |
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| 1aPLORAS_A5_Booklet_3.0_20171123 | 23/11/2017 | |
| 1b_PLORAS_A4_Recruitment_Poster_3.0_20171123 | 23/11/2017 | |
| 1dPLORAS_Invitation_for_Study_Sites_PIC_Sites_5.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 1d-PPLORAS_Invitation_for_Study_Sites_PIC_Sites_3.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 1h-P_PLORAS_Follow-Up_Invite_(NBoL)_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 1i-PPLORAS_Follow-Up_Invite_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2PLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2-CPLORAS_Consultee_Information_Sheet_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2-PPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2SPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2S-CPLORAS_Consultee_Information_Sheet_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 2S-PPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 3PLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 3EPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 3E-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External_4.0_20180313 | 13/03/2018 | |
| 3-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_4.0_20180313 | 13/03/2018 | |
| 3SPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 3S-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 4_PLORAS_Consent_Form_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 4-C_PLORAS_Declaration_Form_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |
| 4EPLORAS_Consent_Form_External_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | |

| | 4E-CPLORAS_Declaration_Form_External_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
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| | 4E-PPLORAS_Consent_Form_External_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 4-PPLORAS_Consent_Form_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 4SPLORAS_Consent_Form_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 4S-CPLORAS_Declaration_Form_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 4S-PPLORAS_Consent_Form_External+_4.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 7aPLORAS_Aphasia_Recovery_and_Therapy_Questionnaire_2.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 7bPLORAS_Carer_Aphasia_Recovery_and_Therapy_Questionnaire_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 7cPLORAS_Bilingual_Language_History_Questionnaire_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 8aPLORAS_Tattoo_Form_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | 8a-PPLORAS_Tattoo_Form_1.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | PLORAS_Protocol_5.0_20171212 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | Notice of Amendment 7 | 12/12/2017 | | |
| | Covering_Letter_for_Substantial_Amendment_7 | 25/01/2018 | | |
| | PLORAS_Change_Summary_SA7 | 19/03/2018 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA7_REC_Validation | 23/02/2018 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA7_REC_Favourable_Opinion | 15/03/2018 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA7_HRA_Approval | 15/03/2018 | | |
| | Summary: | | Yes | А |
| | We sought approval to increase the planned number of participants recruited to the study. This involved making changes to A59 and A60 on the IRAS form only. | | | |
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| | No new documents were created and no changes to the PLORAS protocol were made (as | | | |
| 8 | the sample size had not been specified in the protocol). | | | |
| | Notice_of_Amendment_8 | 25/07/2018 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA8_REC_Validation | 25/07/2018 | | |
| | 13-LO-1515_SA8_REC_Favourable_Opinion | 15/08/2018 | | |
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| | Summary: | | Yes | Α |
| 9 | We sought approval for several changes. These were initiated internally by the PLORAS Research Team. | | | |
| | Kesearch Team. | | | |

Changes made:

- Clarifying the way we will use and store participant data. We added a privacy notice to all
 participant information sheets that is in line with the General Data Protection Regulation
 (2018). This replaces the temporary HRA information sheet we were using since the
 regulation came into effect.
- Reflecting changes in the study. PLORAS will be using new methods to collect research data from participants (via online questionnaires) at an earlier stage in their participation (in order to facilitate faster data collection). These questionnaires will be administered by us (not external sites) and will ask participants about their speech and language recovery, therapy received, and other questions related to demographic information. These are separate to the information provided on the initial screening questionnaires completed at our external research sites. There was no change to external site activities as a result of this.
- Reflecting patient and public involvement activities we plan to carry out (such as participant focus groups). We created new participant information and consent documents for these activities. There was no change to external site activities as a result of this.
- Facilitating recruitment procedures for our external recruiting sites. All of our recruitment documents were updated as part of this amendment.
- We also made changes to our IRAS form to ensure consistency with our updated study protocol.

See supporting documents for all changes:

- Covering Letter for Substantial Amendment 9
- PLORAS Change Summary SA9

| 2PLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 |
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| 2-CPLORAS_Consultee_Information_Sheet_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 |
| 2DPLORAS_Discussion_Groups_Information_Sheet_1.0_20200514 | 14/05/2020 |
| 2D-PPLORAS_Discussion_Groups_Information_Sheet_1.0_20200514 | 14/05/2020 |
| 2GPLORAS_GP_Information_Sheet_3.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 |
| 2OD-PPLORAS_Online_Discussion_Groups_Information_Sheet_1.0_20200514 | 14/05/2020 |
| 2-PPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 |

| 2SPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
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| 2S-CPLORAS_Consultee_Information_Sheet_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 2S-PPLORAS_Participant_Information_Sheet_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3PLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3EPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3E-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3SPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 3S-PPLORAS_Screening_Questionnaire_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4PLORAS_Consent_Form_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4-CPLORAS_Declaration_Form_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4DPLORAS_Discussion_Groups_Consent_Form_1.0_20200514 | 14/05/2020 | |
| 4EPLORAS_Consent_Form_External_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4E-CPLORAS_Declaration_Form_External_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4E-PPLORAS_Consent_Form_External_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4OD-P_PLORAS_Online_Discussion_Groups_Consent_Form_1.0_20200514 | 14/05/2020 | |
| 4-PPLORAS_Consent_Form_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4S_PLORAS_Consent_Form_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4S-CPLORAS_Declaration_Form_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 4S-P_PLORAS_Consent_Form_External+_5.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 7aPLORAS_Aphasia_Recovery_and_Therapy_Questionnaire_3.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| 7b_PLORAS_Carer_Aphasia_Recovery_and_Therapy_Questionnaire_2.0_20200501 | 01/05/2020 | |
| PLORAS Protocol 6.0 20200514 | 14/05/2020 | |
| 20200514_13-LO-1515_SA9_REC_Form | 14/05/2020 | |
| Notice of Amendment 9 | 14/05/2020 | |
| Covering_Letter_for_Substantial_Amendment_9 | 14/05/2020 | |
| PLORAS_Change_Summary_SA9 | 24/06/2020 | |
| 20200610 13-LO-1515 SA9 REC Validation | 10/06/2020 | |
| 20200624_13-LO-1515_SA9_REC_Favourable_Opinion | 24/06/2020 | |
| 20200625 13-LO-1515 SA9 HRA Approval | 25/06/2020 | |
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| | Summary: | | Yes | Α |
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| 10 | Changes were made to: i) improve the accessibility of study information (with specific regard to our stroke patient population), ii) increase the recruitment end date to 31st August 2027 (following a successful funding outcome), iii) amend the study inclusion criteria (to increase focus on stroke patients who have/had communication difficulties), and iv) to update participant and study site procedures following the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, all study sites are now required to provide copies of participant routine CT/MRI scans to PLORAS. This should not have a significant impact on our study sites as they have been asked to provide this data previously. Participants are no longer required to visit our research centre in London to take part and can complete all measures and assessments from the comfort of their own homes. Some additional measures have been developed which ask participants for further information about their speech and language recovery. The research design and methodology has not been significantly changed, nor has the scientific value of the study. As part of this amendment, changes were made to the PLORAS protocol, IRAS form and supporting documentation to reflect the above. In addition minor changes were made to: i) add details of new research staff members, ii) update PI details at study | | | |
| | sites and iii) to add/remove study sites. | | | |
| | 133939-PLORAS-protocol-7.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-PLORAS-participating-study-sites-2.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-PLORAS-IRAS-form-full-data-set-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-1d-PLORAS-invitation-for-study-sites-6.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-2-PLORAS-participant-information-booklet-6.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-2a-PLORAS-privacy-notice-2.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-2C-PLORAS-consultee-information-sheet-6.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-3-PLORAS-participant-consent-form-6.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-3C-PLORAS-consultee-declaration-form-6.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-4-PLORAS-participant-entry-form-for-study-sites-6.0-16.11.2022 | 16/11/2022 | | |
| | 133939-4P-PLORAS-participant-entry-form-6.0-16.11.2022 | 16/11/2022 | | |
| | 133939-PLORAS-about-you-questionnaire-1.0-13.10.2022 | 13/10/2022 | | |

| | 133939-SA10-PLORAS-amendment-tool-31.10.2022 | 24/40/2022 | | |
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| | | 31/10/2022 | | |
| | 133939-SA10-PLORAS-wellcome-funding-award-letter-18.02.2022 | 18/02/2022 | | |
| | 133939-SA10-sponsor-approval-email-01.11.2022 | 01/11/2022 | | |
| | 133939-SA10-REC-favourable-opinion-email-12.12.2022 | 12/12/2022 | | |
| | 133939-SA10-REC-favourable-opinion-letter-12.12.2022 | 12/12/2022 | | |
| | 133939-SA10-HRA-approval-email-19.12.2022 | 19/12/2022 | ., | |
| | Changes were made to the Participant Consent Form (document 3) to improve accessibility | | Yes | Α |
| | and to separate the form into two parts. This is to account for inclusion of participants who | | | |
| | may require greater communication support during the informed consent conversation. | | | |
| | An Interaction Aid is also being introduced. This is a resource for CRN staff to use with | | | |
| | participants to support the informed consent conversation. | | | |
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| | Minor changes were also made to: | | | |
| 11 | Consultee Declaration Form (document 3C) for consistency with the Participant Consent Form (wording changes) Participant Summary Sheet (document 2P) for consistency with the Interaction Aid (mainly changes to formatting) Invitation to Study letter (1d) to improve accessibility (mainly changes to formatting). 'About You' questionnaire (only used by the PLORAS Research Team) to add further questions. Study Protocol - based on feedback from our participating sites, we have added more detail to the Inclusion criteria and Methods sections of the protocol for clarity. Appendix 2 (document version control) was also updated. See appendix 3 in the new | | | |
| | protocol and the attached amendment tool for a list of all minor changes made. 133939_SA11_PLORAS_Amendment_Tool_21.08.2023 | | | |
| | | 21/08/2023 | | |
| | 133939-PLORAS-protocol-9.0-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | | |
| | 133939-1d-PLORAS-invitation-for-study-sites-8.0-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | | |
| | 133939-2P-PLORAS-participant-summary-sheet-2.0-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | | |

| 133939-3-PLORAS-participant-consent-form-8.0-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | |
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| 133939-3C-PLORAS-consultee-declaration-form-8.0-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | |
| 133939-PLORAS-Interaction-Aid-August-2023 | 21/08/2023 | |
| 133939-PLORAS-about-you-questionnaire-1.1-21.08.2023 | 21/08/2023 | |