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**Progress Review Form for Postgraduate Researchers GRS3**

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| **Part A: To be completed by the person in the School/Department responsible for co-ordinating the Annual Progress Review of postgraduate researchers** | | |
| **Name:** | | **ID:** |
| **Lead Supervisor:**  **Co-supervisor:** | | |
| **This form to be returned to:** | | **By date:** |
| **Part B: To be completed by the PGR (and given to the Lead supervisor two weeks before the Progress Review)** | | |
| **Degree for which registered: PhD Cancer + Genomics** | | |
| **Mode of study: PT** | **Split location/Distance learning (\*)** | |
| **Start date for this degree: 01 June 2020** | | |
| **End of maximum period of registration: 01 September 2025** | | |
| **Thesis title: Developments to established dose-finding methodologies for application in trials with complex and innovative designs.** | | |
| **Date of review meeting: N/A** | **Date of last progress review: N/A** | |
| **(1)Please report below the work you have completed since last Progress Review OR, if this is your initial Progress Review, the work you have completed since you began your current research programme.**  Since I began I have drafted two chapters of my thesis. The first chapter is about the implementation of a novel methodology into a clinical trial. We implement the PO-TITE-CRM methodology into a dose-finding study and describe our experiences in doing so. This chapter contains details about the designs and the specification we utilised. Further work was done to contrast this design with other potential alternative designs. Operating characteristics were then assessed for all designs for a number of different scenarios. The second chapter introduces a seamless phase I/II trial design. We explore this trial design and propose an extension to the design. We then explore how to parameterise the design under various scenarios and examples. | | |
| **(2)Please give details of research training you have undertaken since the last Progress Review, OR, if this is your initial Progress Review, since you began your current research programme.**  I am yet to undertake any training. | | |
| **(3)Please list the research training you have yet to undertake.**  At this moment no training is planned. | | |
| **(4)Is there is a financial cost to this future training** (e.g. registration fees for a conference)**?**  ✓  **Yes No**  **If YES, please confirm that you have identified funds to cover these costs or have agreed a plan with your Supervisory team to apply in a timely manner for the necessary funds.** | | |
| **(5)Please give an outline of your planned work for the next semester.**  For the next semester, I will be working on drafting the third chapter of my thesis. This will revolve around Time-to-Event dose transition pathways. The chapter will include a background on the idea as well as some illustrative examples. We will then explore the issues that arise from implementing TiTE-DTPs. I will need to work on code in order to do this. I will also be working on adapting my first chapter into a paper. | | |
| **(6)Please give a timetable for your work between now and the end of your maximum period of registration** (i.e. deadline for submission of your thesis)**, or attach an existing plan.**  1-6 months: Work on a draft of the third chapter as well as producing a paper  6-12 months: Ideas and concepts for the fourth and fifth chapters. Begin drafting these chapters.  12-18 months: Finalise drafts of the final chapters. Work on Introduction and conclusions.  18-24 months: Once reviewed by supervisors address any comments and finalise the thesis for submission. | | |
| **(7)If applicable, please add your comments about the progress you have made since this form was last completed and how it compares with your predictions then. Please include details of any problems encountered and action taken to mitigate these.**  N/A | | |
| **(8)Have you considered and discussed with your supervisor relevant ethical issues connected to your research, in particular whether ethical approval is required?**  This has been briefly discussed with supervisors. Since the nature of the work is based on the development of statistical methodology, we do not envisage any ethical issues connected to this research. | | |
| **(9)Have you updated your DNA** (GRS1A) **in light of activity undertaken since the last progress review?**  N/A | | |
| **(10)Please consider the impact of your research and how this impact is demonstrated to both specialist and non-specialist audiences** (e.g. publications, conference presentations, public engagement and outreach activities)**.**  We are currently working on producing a paper related to the first chapter of my thesis. This will detail our experience implementing a novel trial design, which hasn’t been used before. We are also looking out for upcoming conferences for which I can present some of the work I have done so far. | | |
| **(11)Do you know who your Mentor is and do you have their contact details if you need to consult with them?**  ✓  **Yes No**  **If NO, please contact your School PGR administrator in order to obtain your Mentor’s name and contact details.** | | |
| **Part C: Only applicable to postgraduate researchers completing taught elements.** | | |
| **(12)Please list all the modules you have attended this academic session. Please include the mark achieved where this is known.** | | |
| **(13)Total number of credits attempted this academic session:** | | |
| **(14)Number of credits remaining in order to fulfil the taught element of the programme:** | | |
| **(15)Modules and credits to be attempted next academic session:** | | |
| **Signed: Amit Patel** | **Date: 12/07/21** | |
| **Part D: To be completed by the LEAD supervisor before the Progress Review meeting.** | | |
| **(16)Please comment on the accuracy of the postgraduate researcher’s assessment of his/her progress, in your opinion.** | | |
| **(17)Please comment on the postgraduate researcher’s progress and achievements in the taught elements of the programmes.**  *N.B. Regulations state that “Where the postgraduate researcher is registered for research training or other taught modules as part of his or her programme of study, the postgraduate researcher must attain a satisfactory standard (achieve credit) in each module before being recommended for the award of the degree”* | | |
| **(18)It is the supervisor’s responsibility to ensure that the PGR applies for ethical approval for their project. Ethical review should be sought by the end of year 1 for full time PGRs (pro-rata for part time PGRs).**  **Has ethical approval been granted for this project?**  **Yes No**  **If no, please give reasons for this and indicate when the ethical review will be submitted.** | | |
| **(19) It is mandatory for all PGRs who commenced their study from the beginning of the 2017-18 academic year to complete a Data Management Plan within 12 months of starting their studies. (N.B. It is advised that all PGRs should complete a Data Management Plan).**  **(See:** [**https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/libraryservices/library/research/rdm/Data-management-plans.aspx**](https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/libraryservices/library/research/rdm/Data-management-plans.aspx)**)**  **Has the PGR completed a Data Management Plan?**  **Yes No**  **If no, please give reasons for this and indicate when the DMP will be completed.** | | |
| **(20)Please rate the postgraduate researcher’s progress since the last Progress Review, OR, if this is their initial Progress Review, since they began their current research programme:**  **Excellent Satisfactory Requires improvement Giving cause for concern**  **If “Giving cause for concern” state what steps the postgraduate researcher should now take to ensure a satisfactory outcome.** | | |
| **(21)Please state whether you feel the postgraduate researcher has completed a satisfactory level of research training and whether there are any gaps still to be filled. This should include an ability to demonstrate the impact of their research to a specialist and non-specialist audience.** | | |
| **(22)Please give your estimate of when the thesis is likely to be submitted. When completing this section please take account of the end of the maximum period of registration and deadline for submission of the thesis.** N.B. A submission after the end of the maximum period of registration would require an approved extension. | | |
| **Part E: To be completed by the LEAD Supervisor at the Progress Review meeting.** | | |
| **(23)Issues discussed at the Progress Review:** | | |
| **(24)List of actions agreed at the Progress Review meeting, with an indication of who is to take them and a timescale.** (This should include a plan of action to ensure a submission within the maximum period of registration)**.**  **(25) Formative Plagiarism Process**  **Has the PGR submitted a document (e.g.: 1st year report) through Turnitin?**  **Yes No**  **Have the results of the Turnitin report been reviewed & discussed with the PGR?**  **Yes No**  **Where there any issues or areas of concern raised?**  **Yes No**  **I**  **f YES, please indicate what feedback was given to the PGR.**  *NB: Supervisors can contact the School Plagiarism Officer(s) for advice if there are areas of concern.* | | |
| **Part F:** Recommendation to be completed by the **LEAD Supervisor** **after the Progress Review meeting** in line with 3.6 of the University’s Code of Practice on Supervision and Monitoring Progress of Research Postgraduate researchers. | | |
| **(26)Please indicate:**  **Progress is satisfactory** and the postgraduate researcher may continue with their studies as a normally registered postgraduate researcher, paying tuition fees.    **Progress is satisfactory** and the postgraduate researcher no longer requires full use of University facilities, and having completed the minimum period of study, has completed the primary area of research and may **proceed to thesis awaited status**, paying the continuation fee.  **Progress is unsatisfactory/requires improvement.** A work plan of supportive or corrective action must be agreed with the PGR and a date for further review of progress set. Where the initial progress review is at the end of the academic year, the postgraduate researcher is permitted to proceed into the next year but confirmation of their continued registration must be confirmed once the second progress review had been completed. If progress were to remain unsatisfactory, the postgraduate researcher may be required to withdraw (see Regulation 7.4.9).  **Transfer to a master’s programme from a doctoral programme** (postgraduate researcher would have the right of appeal) (see Regulation 7.4.8 (e)).    **Transfer to a doctoral programme from a master’s programme** (see Regulation (seeRegulation 7.4.8(b)).    **Withdraw.** This recommendation would have to be taken in accordance with the relevant University regulation. The postgraduate researcher would have the right of appeal (see Regulation 7.4.9 and Code of Practice for Reasonable Diligence).  **Date:** | | |
| **Signatures:**  **Lead supervisor:**  **Co-supervisor:** | | |
| **Part G: To be completed by the Progress Review Panel** | | |
| **(27) Comments, if any:** | | |
| **(28) I agree with/ wish to vary the recommendation made by the Supervisor in Section 5 as follows:** | | |
| **Date:** | **Signature(s):** | |
| **Part H: To be signed by the postgraduate researcher** | | |
| **I confirm that I have read the comments of my supervisor and the Head of School (or nominee).**  **Date:**  **Signature:** | | |

**It is the School’s responsibility to:**

1. obtain the postgraduate researcher’s signature in Section 7
2. provide a copy of the completed form to the postgraduate researcher
3. place a copy in the School/Department files or an electronic copy kept
4. action the appropriate progress decision on BIRMS or where the recommendation is downgrade from doctoral to masters or required to withdraw to refer the recommendation to the Research Progress & Awards Sub Panel via the Research Student Administration Team.