



ASOS-PAEDS IS UNDERWAY!

- We have already recruited over 1900 patients from 68 participating hospitals
- Seven countries have already finished a first phase of recruitment
- Three more countries will start recruitment in May

ASOS-Paeds FAQs

- Patient recruitment is for 14 days.
- There isn't a requirement for a minimum number of patients per hospital, however it is necessary to include all eligible patients in the study
- The outcomes, complications and mortality, are in-hospital.
- Follow-up is in hospital and not after discharge. There is no need to contact patients after discharge.

ASOS-Paeds Definitions

- **Date of first presentation:** This is the date the patient first presented to a healthcare facility for the condition or problem requiring surgery.
- **Healthcare facility of first presentation:** This is the name of the hospital or clinic where the patient first presented for the condition or problem which has resulted in them having surgery.

ASOS-Paeds Screening Log

- All studies need to report the **number of eligible patients** during the recruitment period. This is called a **screening log**
- It is very important for the ASOS-Paeds Hospital Lead Investigator to keep track of the number eligible patients.
- It is best to enter the number of all eligible ASOS-Paeds patients from the previous 24 hours, every morning.
- **Eligible patients:** All consecutive patients <18 years, admitted to participating hospitals during the study period who undergo elective and non-elective surgery.

ASOS-Paeds

There is a need to determine the risk factors for complications in paediatric surgical patients in Africa, in order to target appropriate interventions to improve paediatric surgical outcomes in Africa.

STUDY DESIGN

14-day, African multi-centre prospective cohort study of paediatric patients (<18 years) undergoing surgery.

PRIMARY OUTCOME

In-hospital postoperative complications.

RECRUITMENT

Currently ongoing

Please go to <http://asos.org.za/index.php/asos-paeds> or the APON platform (<https://periopnetwork.org>) for a more detail on the study, including a full list of outcomes definitions and FAQs.



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