



(To be presented on local headed paper)

GP Letter

Centre Number (if applicable):

Patient Study Number:

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Acronym and title of study: **PlaNet-2**

Platelets for Neonatal Transfusion Study Randomised Controlled Trial
ISRCTN: 87736839

Dear Dr _____

I am writing to inform you that Baby _____ (date of birth dd/mmm/yyyy), was entered into the above trial whilst they were a patient on the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). Unfortunately we understand that Baby _____ did not survive to go home from the NICU, and this letter is for your records only.

You may be interested to know that the purpose of PlaNeT-2 is to find out at what level of platelet count we should give platelet transfusions in babies with thrombocytopenia who are not bleeding. Currently we have no clear understanding of the level of platelet count which should be used to decide when to give platelet transfusions to babies. It is also not clear whether these transfusions are always necessary, especially knowing that all transfusions carry a degree of risk.

We are grateful that the parents agreed to their baby being enrolled on the PlaNeT-2 trial, even though the baby was very premature and unwell.

Please find enclosed a copy of the parent information sheet for this trial for your files

The results of the trial will be available on the website (www.planet-2.com) after the trial finishes should you or the parents wish to follow this.

Yours sincerely,

Name

Position