

# The HEADING Study, Newsletter 2022

## Recruitment, final numbers

Recruitment for the HEADING Study closed in December 2021 with a total of 191 former professional footballers having completed an assessment. ***We would like to thank all of our participants for the time and commitment they gave to this exciting and interesting study.***

Despite the difficult and challenging times Covid-19 lockdowns presented, the study continued via remote assessment. We were able to assess the feasibility of performing the cognitive tests remotely and were successful in concluding that the tests could be performed using videoconferencing—see [published paper here](#). ***We would like to thank those who participated in the pilot study for remote assessment during the summer of 2020.***



## Results and publication

The team are now busy analysing the data and we will share the results with you in due course.



## With thanks also to:

Our Funder, The Drake Foundation:



And to our Collaborators:



## Press and related articles

[LSHTM's Press release - Intro to the Study](#)

[BBC Article - Hugh Pym](#)

[Gareth Southgate Pledges Support](#)

[Prof. Neil Pearce & the Drake Foundation Interview](#)

The Brain Study Publication [Concussion and long-term cognitive function among rugby players-The BRAIN Study - PubMed](#)

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