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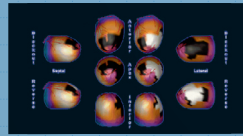
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“By diagnosing and treating heart disease in the earliest stages, we can reduce the number of people affected by CHD and transform the prognosis of this life-threatening condition.”

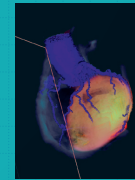
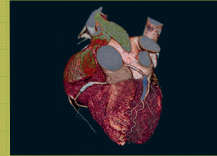
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Pioneered the use of heart scanning in the early diagnosis of CHD

Developed the field of nuclear cardiology for the detection CHD



Identified new biological markers to predict CHD presence

What does the BCRT do?

Coronary heart disease (CHD) is the UK's biggest killer, with around 300,000 people suffering from heart attacks every year. The British Cardiac Research Trust (BCRT) is a UK-based charity that works to help people live longer and better lives through the prevention and treatment of CHD.

With our state-of-the-art technologies, we produce detailed images of the heart that help the early detection of CHD.



Some of the technologies we use

SPECT/CT scanner – Imaging machines that use radioisotopes to create a 3D view of the heart. These images can provide our doctors with important information about functional abnormalities, along with their exact location.



Dual Source Definition CT scanner – A scanner equipped with two X-ray sources. The machine allows doctors to look inside your coronary arteries to find out if any are narrowed and, if so, how severely they are narrowed.

Dedicated to innovative research to further our understanding of heart disease

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The development of new and better treatments is often the direct result of data gained from well-controlled clinical trials. Over the years, the BCRT has carried out many groundbreaking trials, including:

- The Wellington Heart Disease & Diabetes trial - Investigated 'silent' CHD in diabetics
- The LOLIPOP trial - Researched ethnic differences in CHD
- The Whitehall trial - Examined 'silent' CHD in UK Civil Servants

Although we have generated a great amount of data to date, there is still much more to find out about CHD. Our planned trials include the RADICAL and DIAT trials, to help advance heart imaging techniques. We are also involved in the development of a cardiac vaccine.

Advancing research through clinical trials

Can you help us fight coronary heart disease?

The BCRT is entirely funded by donations from the public and more contributions are required for the continuation of our important work. Advances in research have meant that a greater a number of options are available for the treatment of CHD, but there is still more to be done.

“We need your support to enable the British Cardiac Research Trust to make a difference, so that we can continue our research and disseminate our discoveries and techniques nationwide.”

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