Results Data collection is ongoing, here preliminary data are reported for two selected hospitals (2011–2012, n = 96 +107=203) with similar demographic data (e.g. birth weight, median 1335 g; gestational age, median 30.1 w; gender, 59% boys). In hospital A, the growth velocity and proportion of infants reaching 120 mL/kg/d enteral feeding at 5 weeks was higher (median 14.5 vs. 9.1 g/kg/d and 84 vs. 69%, P < 0.05), and the decrease in weight Z-score was lower vs. B (median -0.55 vs. -0.94, P < 0.05). Neither of the units reached the protein intake recommended by ESPGHAN (3.5 g/kg/d, JPGN, 50, 89–95, 2010) within the first month although the average daily deficit was less in hospital A vs. B (median -0.8 vs. -1.2 g/kg/d, P < 0.05). NEC incidence was lower in hospital A vs. B (1 vs. 9%, P < 0.05). There was no difference in the time on antibiotics (~50% of hospitalisation days).

Conclusion Large differences in nutrition and growth outcomes were evident between the two units. The NeoNutriNet cohort will show how differences in nutrition may relate to feeding guidelines, clinical traditions, and use of anti-/pro-biotics around the world.

Methodology and methods
A descriptive research has been carried out by revising the HMB database from June 2010 to December 2013. The following variables were taken into account: gestational age (GA), birth weight (BW), time of DM reception and reasons for the DM administration.

Results During the researched period, 255 newborn received DM in our centre: 29 (2010), 75 (2011), 84 (2012), 67 (2013). The average GA was 31. BW was 1575 g. Average duration of intake was 17 days.

Annual stratified analysis: In 2010, the average GA is 31 and the average BW is 1335 g. In 2011, 31 weeks and 1657 g. In 2012, 31 weeks and 1657 g. In 2013, 31 weeks and1688 g.

Prematurity was the main indication for dispensing DM and enteral feeding intolerance is becoming an important indication for DM. In 15% of recipients in 2013, this was the reason for prescription.

Conclusions According to the present information the main reasons for giving DM have been prematurity and low birth weight (63% of all recipients were premature babies born before 32 weeks).

The number of children who take advantage of donor milk has increased as the human milk bank has provided higher amounts of DM in our centre. The administering indications for DM have been also increased, outlining the enteral feeding difficulties.

Background and aims
Cow’s Milk Allergy (CMA) is one of the most common food allergies in children. It can affect any age including the neonate. There is paucity of literature about its presentation in the newborn period and its management.

The primary objective of this survey was to understand the level of awareness about CMA in Newborns in neonatal units in the UK. Our secondary objective was to estimate the incidence of Cow’s Milk Allergy in newborns in the UK.

Methods This was an online survey of neonatologists identified through the BAPM and the Neonatal Networks.

Results 64 responses were received from consultant neonatologists. 42 out of 63 (66.7%) level 3 units responded. 78% of the respondents believed that CMA exists in newborn. The number of newborns with CMA diagnosed in the last 2 years was more than 152. 50% of these babies were born preterm and at the time of diagnosis, 33% were still < 37 weeks. 26% babies with CMA had birth weight < 1.5 kg.

The most common symptoms of CMA were blood in stool, abdominal distension and diarrhoea. 84% were diagnosed on clinical features only. Equal proportions of babies were on breast milk and preterm formula at the time of diagnosis. 33% were still < 37 weeks. 26% babies with CMA had birth weight < 1.5 kg.

Conclusion This survey demonstrates a high level of awareness in an otherwise poorly studied area in newborns. It highlights the need for systematic studies to facilitate decision making among clinicians.