

TB:HIV

an international prospective observational study



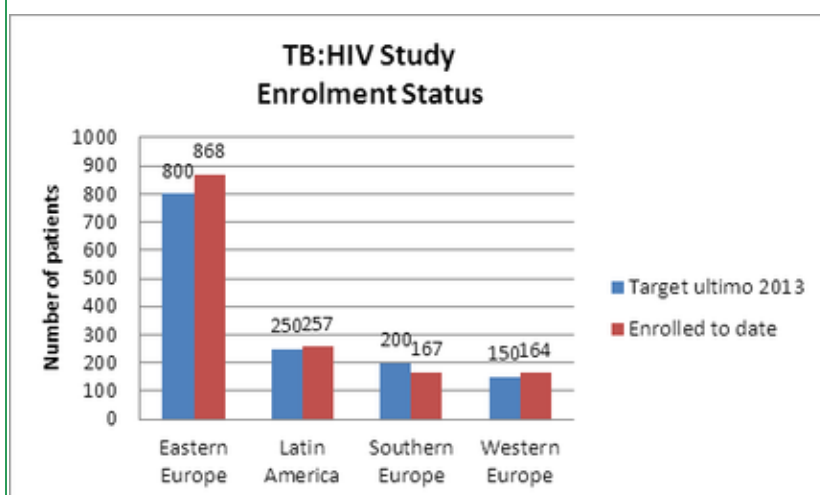
Newsletter: June 2014

Dear TB:HIV Study Investigators,

First of all, thank you for all the excellent work you are doing for the TB:HIV study, your efforts are highly appreciated.

Enrolment status:

The study enrolment period has now ended, and we are happy to say that **the final number of patients enrolled to the study is approximately 1450**, which is well above the original target of 1300. Below is a visual presentation of patients enrolled from the four different regions; Congratulations to everybody involved and well done!



Follow-up status (FU):

On 18th of June, 2014, we sent out a new batch of FU forms (6, 12 and 24 months FU forms) and the **deadline** for returning these is **1 September, 2014**.

If you have any questions regarding FU forms, please contact Bitten Aagaard (baa@cphiv.dk).

LOSS TO FOLLOW-UP (LTFU):

It remains essential to the study that we collect as complete FU data as possible. LTFU may be overcome by contacting other clinics in the area, dispensaries, NGOs, accessing death registries etc. to find any information on patients that are currently LTFU. We strongly encourage Investigators to prioritize this in order to minimize LTFU.

MYCOBACTERIAL SAMPLES (Mtb samples):

We encourage all investigators to arrange storage of and send us Mycobacterial samples cultured from the participating patients. Each sample is reimbursed by 30 Euro and shipment costs will be covered. Please contact us when you have samples ready for shipment.

Upcoming deadlines and tasks:

ASAP and no later than **1 September, 2014**:

- Complete and send us FU forms sent to your site in June, 2014.
- Complete and send us IRIS forms for patients who have developed IRIS.
- Complete and send us CoDe forms for those patients who have died.

Scientific update:

2014 will be the year where results on characteristics of patients at enrolment will be presented. We believe that there are some very important messages to be told regarding treatment and presence of resistance at time of TB diagnosis. We aim to present these results at an international conference in 2014, and a manuscript is currently being finalised.

Further, a manuscript on the results of the survey from last year is currently being finalised and will be submitted to an international journal within the coming weeks. These results were initially presented at the EACS conferences in Brussels in October, 2013. We will keep you updated on the development.

Needless to say, FU data will be extremely important to further elucidate the course of treatment and outcome thereof for these patients.

We are looking forward to second half of 2014 and 2015 which seem to be crucial for the success of the TB:HIV study.

Thank you for continuous collaboration!
We wish you all a pleasant summer period.

TB:HIV Study Group

Central /Northern Europe:
Belgium: Brussels
Denmark: Danish HIV Cohort
France: Aquitaine Cohort
Switzerland: Swiss HIV Cohort

shipment.

Mtb Samples:

- We are ready to receive your Mtb samples. Contact the Coordinating Centre for shipping arrangement.

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Latvia: Riga

Lithuania: Vilnius

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