

TB:HIV

an international prospective observational study



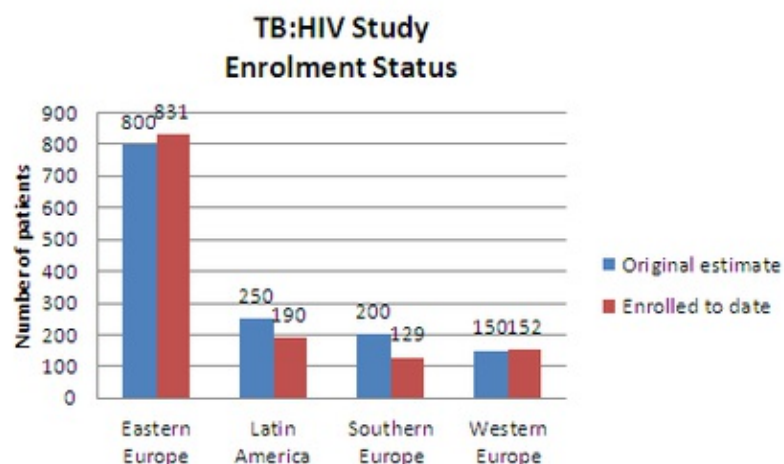
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Dear TB:HIV Study Investigators,

As we have now entered a new phase of the study we would like to provide you with an update. 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 ended as of 31 December, 2013, and 1298 patients have currently been enrolled to the study. If you should have any eligible patients from your department not yet enrolled to the study, we kindly ask you to send enrolment forms as soon as possible, **deadline** for sending these is **1 March, 2014**. We intend to close the database down for first manuscript on baseline characteristics in March and thus cannot guarantee that enrolment forms received after 1 March can be included in the database. The current enrolment status and originally estimated enrolment numbers per region are shown below. An additional approximately 60 patients from Latin America have been identified and will be enrolled in the near future. Please contact us if you have identified eligible patients for the study and have problems meeting the deadline.



Follow-up status (FU):

In January, 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 March, 2014**.

If you have any questions regarding enrolment or 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

Upcoming deadlines and tasks:

ASAP and no later than 1 March, 2014:

- Complete and send us enrolment forms if you have any pending patients to enrol to the study (HIV-positive patients diagnosed with TB in the period 1 January, 2011 to 31 December, 2013).
- Complete and send us FU forms sent to your site in January, 2014.

Mtb Samples:

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

TB:HIV Study Group

Central /Northern Europe:

Belgium: Brussels
Denmark: Danish HIV Cohort
France: Aquitaine Cohort
Switzerland: Swiss HIV Cohort
United Kingdom: Cardiff, Leicester, London, Manchester, Sheffield

Eastern Europe:

Belarus: Gomel, Minsk, Svetlogorsk
Estonia: da-Viru county
Georgia: Tbilisi
Latvia: Riga
Lithuania: Vilnius
Poland: Bialystok, Warsaw, Wroclaw, Poznań, Krakow
Romania: Bucharest
Russia: Novgorod the Great, St. Petersburg, Samara
Ukraine: Crimea

Latin America:

Argentina: Buenos Aires
Chile: Santiago
México: México D.F.

Southern Europe:

Italy: Bari, Brescia, Genova, Monza, Palermo, Rome, Sanremo
Spain: Barcelona, Madrid, San Sebastián

Contacts for the Coordinating Centre (CHIP)

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 all 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.

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