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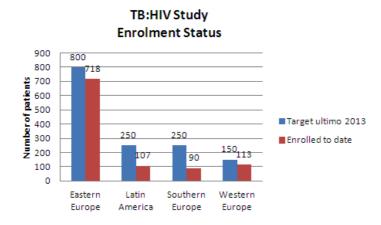
Newsletter May 2013

Dear all

We recently enrolled **patient number 1000** to the study! Thanks to all TB:HIV study investigators for your excellent work.

ENROLMENT STATUS

As of May 23, 2013, **1028** patients have been enrolled in the TB:HIV Study. Enrolment status and enrolment targets per region are shown below.



FOLLOW-UP

In December 2012, we sent out a new batch of follow-up forms (6 and 12 months follow-up forms) and the deadline for returning these was 1 March 2013. We are sending out a new batch of follow-up forms end of June 2013 and thus need previous follow-up data to be keyed before printing this batch.

All sites who did not yet send us completed forms have been contacted on an individual basis, please make sure to send us these as soon as possible and no later than 1 June 2013.

MYCOBACTERIAL SAMPLES

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

QUERIES

We are spending many resources on quality assurance of data, and even more on following up on queries already sent to sites. In order to reduce the operational work load at CHIP and keep the costs of the study at an acceptable level, we would appreciate your help. Therefore, please make sure that you reply to all queries, you may receive.

Thank you very much for your dedication and contribution to this study!

Upcoming deadlines and tasks

- ASAP and no later than 1 June: Complete and send us any pending follow-up forms sent to your site in December 2012 that haven't yet been returned to the Coordinating Centre
- Remember to continuously enroll all eligible HIV-TB coinfected patients seen at your department
- Mtb samples: we are ready to receive your Mtb samples. Contact the Coordinating Centre for shipping arrangement.

TB:HIV Study Group

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Belgium: Brussels

Denmark: Danish HIV Cohort France: Aquitaine Cohort Switzerland: Swiss HIV Cohort

United Kingdom: Cardiff, Leicester, London,

Manchester, Sheffield **Southern Europe**:

Italy: Bari, Brescia, Genova, Monza, Palermo, Rome,

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