

## Tuberculosis among HIV-infected patients in Europe

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### PROJECT UPDATE 2010

Last year has been a very productive year for the HIV/TB Project:

- A 2-year follow-up data collection has been completed and database is now closed. We would like to thank everybody for their contribution to the data collection process
- Several scientific questions are currently being addressed and statistically analysed:
  - 'Causes of death among HIV/TB patients' project has been presented at IWHOD2010 (abstract #14\_130) and then in more detailed analysis at AIDS2010 conference in Vienna (abstract #TUPDB302)
  - Health Care Index Score and outcome of HIV/TB patients has been presented at EACS 2009 in Cologne (abstract #P/S8/5) and the manuscript is currently being finalised
- Protocol for the prospective HIV/TB study has been developed and funding obtained from the EuroCoord!

### 2011

The HIV/TB project has been approved as a separate work package within the EuroCoord application and was granted a funding of 480,000 euro for a 5-year period. Alexander Panteleev, HIV/TB specialist from St. Petersburg has been selected as a leader for this work package. The prospective study of HIV-infected patients diagnosed with an active TB disease will start from January 2011. The specific objectives of this study fall into two main categories: 1) epidemiology of HIV/TB coinfection 2) clinical aspects and management of HIV/TB patients.

This will be a prospective cohort study enrolling all HIV patients who are diagnosed with TB at the participating clinics after January 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 and throughout the study period. Follow-up data would be collected on a specially designed data collection form on a 6-months basis and for a minimum of 2-year follow-up period. Specimens of *Mycobacteria tuberculosis* are also planned to be collected.

All study documents will soon be circulated.

**Please confirm your participation in a prospective study by completing the form below!**

With the best wishes of Merry Christmas and a continuous fruitful collaboration in New Year 2011!

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### HIV/TB Study Group

**Argentina:** Buenos Aires, San Fernando, La Plata, Mar del Plata, Cordoba. **Belarus:** Minsk, Gomel, Svetlogorsk. **Denmark:** Danish HIV Cohort. **France:** AQUITAINE Cohort. **Italy:** Bergamo, Brescia, Milan, Modena, ICONA cohort. **Romania:** Bucharest. **Russia:** St. Petersburg, Novgorod. **Spain:** Barcelona. **Switzerland:** Swiss HIV Cohort. **United Kingdom:** London and the **EuroSIDA cohort.**

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**Agreement to participate in a prospective study on TB in HIV-infected patients**

**I hereby express my interest and agree to participate in the Prospective Study on TB in HIV-infected patients** (Please see detailed information on HIV/TB study on <http://www.cphiv.dk/>)

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital/ Cohort: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact details:**

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Approximate number of HIV/TB patients seen per year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate number of HIV/TB patients to be able to include in the study during 2-year period:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Ability to collect information on TB disease in HIV-infected patients:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Ability to collect information on HIV-infection in TB patients:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Clinical and Laboratory information is stored in electronic database:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Ability to collect <i>M. tuberculosis</i> samples:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Ability to store <i>M. tuberculosis</i> samples:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Ability to export <i>M. tuberculosis</i> samples:</b>	Yes	No

Please complete and send this form to the coordinating centre by fax (+45 35455758) or e-mail ([hivtb@cphiv.dk](mailto:hivtb@cphiv.dk) or [dpo@cphiv.dk](mailto:dpo@cphiv.dk)) by **January 1<sup>st</sup> 2011**