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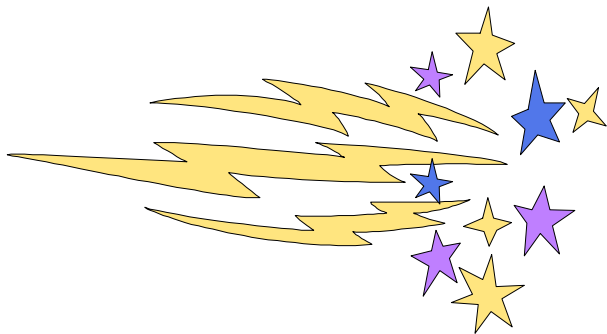
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Total recruited in May: 68
Overall Total: 1408

*We're half
way there!*



Interim Analysis



The data have been sent to the Data Monitoring Committee.

For your interest, we have enclosed some overall baseline information from the analysis. Once again, thank you all for your help in getting to this point.

Please turn this page over for some tips to increase accrual.

Mugs this month:

(for centres reaching or passing their annual goal)



Jinnah PMC, Karachi, PAKISTAN (#9); Treliske, Truro, UK (#3); IOMC-Polizu, Bucharest, ROMANIA (#3); Ma'ayne Hayeshua, Bene Beraq, ISRAEL (#2); Distrital, Faro, PORTUGAL (#2); Grey Nun's, Edmonton, CANADA; LTMMC & LTMGH, Mumbai, INDIA; Univ of Iowa, Iowa City, USA

MAKING RECRUITMENT EASIER

During recent discussions with many of you in a variety of settings, we have become convinced that in those centres where recruitment proceeds most easily, the approach includes some common elements. You may wish to consider implementing these in your own centre.

There is usually a system in place by which women, when a breech presentation is diagnosed at or close to term, are referred by their physician or midwife to one of the individuals who has been designated as a Term Breech Trial advocate, BEFORE there is any discussion by their own physician or midwife as to the different options.

Your baby is in a breech presentation. You may be eligible to take part in an important international study about breech babies. Before I discuss what is best for you, I would like you to talk to Dr/Ms xxxxxxx who will tell you about the study in detail.'

Advocates for the study are individuals who are usually Term Breech Trial collaborators who believe that the Term Breech Trial is the best of all possible options for eligible women. These individuals do not believe that planned vaginal breech birth is best, nor do they believe that planned Caesarean section is best. Rather, they believe that participation in the Term Breech Trial is best, and they recommend this to potentially eligible women.

If a woman decides against participation in the study, she is then offered the other options for the delivery of her baby or referred back to her own physician for a discussion as to which option she would prefer. However, if the woman chooses to participate in the Term Breech Trial, she is given encouragement and support by her own physician or midwife for making this choice.

Yes, I think the Term Breech Trial is a good idea.'

Data Notes



If the presentation of the fetus is 'complete breech' throughout labour and then the feet come down below the fetal buttocks during the vaginal delivery, please indicate the presentation at delivery as 'complete'. If the feet come down below the fetal buttocks during labour and prior to the delivery itself, the presentation should be noted as 'footling'. In the protocol we ask that the 'footling breech' presentation be delivered by Caesarean section. If, however, the presentation becomes a 'footling' during labour, and there is not enough time to arrange for a Caesarean section, please mark as one of the reasons for vaginal delivery 'Caesarean not possible'. If there was another reason why a Caesarean section was not undertaken in this situation, please make a hand-written note on the data form so that we can better understand what occurred.

Clinician Codes:

Clinician code numbers should be recorded in Question 9 on the Labour & Delivery Form for ALL deliveries, whether vaginal or C/S.

In the first part of the question: if someone from your Clinician List was present at the delivery, enter their assigned TBT code number(s). There is room to record 2 such people. Remember that someone named on the list **must** attend all vaginal breech deliveries.

In the second part of the question: supply us with information (qualification and years of vaginal delivery experience) about *other* persons at the delivery who are *not* on the Clinician List. Do not include anyone from your Clinician List in this section.

If your Clinician List needs to be revised or updated, please contact us. This information will be very important in the interpretation of the final results.



Recruitment

Recruiting centres
as of May 31, 1999

Annual Goal	Jan-Dec	Jan-Jun	Jul-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
	97	98	98	99	99	99	99	

(shaded area is prior to recruitment)

PAKISTAN	29	13	54	54	32	11	8		172
CANADA	157	63	51	26	19	7	1		167
UK	140	43	32	29	16	4	6		130
ARGENTINA	43	13	26	46	16	9	6		116
INDIA	45	14	18	37	13	2	5		89
BRAZIL	49	1	19	42	16	4	7		89
ISRAEL	106	15	21	25	17	2	4		84
AUSTRALIA	51	14	36	21	4	5	3		83
JORDAN	42	1	10	34	23	7	3		78
CHILE	46	7	3	37	14	4	6		71
SOUTH AFRICA	41	12	28	23	2				65
USA	98	16	11	22	7	2	2		60
ZIMBABWE	39		1	23	9		1		34
ROMANIA	9			2	13	6	7		28
FINLAND	13	15	4	3	1				23
POLAND	22	1	6	6	6	1	2		22
EGYPT	12		4	8	5	1			18
YUGOSLAVIA	15	5	10	1	1		1		18
SWITZERLAND	9	3	6	5			2		16
PORTUGAL	7			11	1		2		14
THE NETHERLANDS	5			8	4		1		13
MEXICO	12		3	5					8
GERMANY	7	1		5	1		1		8
NEW ZEALAND	5			1					1
DENMARK No longer recruiting									1
Total	1002	237	343	474	220	65	68		1408

PAKISTAN

Jinnah PMC, Karachi	14	6	46	42	19	8	5		126
Civil, Karachi	11			12	13	3	3		31
Liaquat National, Karachi	4		6						6
Centre(s) no longer recruiting									9

CANADA

Riverside, Ottawa	6	19	10	6	1	2			38
Guelph General	4	8	1	3	3				15
St Joseph's, London	11	7	3		3				13
St Boniface, Winnipeg	10	4	3		3	1			11
Sunnybrook & Women's Coll, Toronto	8	6	2	1	1				10
St Joseph's, Hamilton	8		2	3	3	1			9
Grey Nuns', Edmonton	9		6		1	1	1		9
Misericordia, Edmonton	9		6	2					8
Foothills, Calgary	12		2	4					6
BC Women's, Vancouver	19	1	4						5
Kingston General	6		2	3					5
Scarborough Centenary	7	3	1						4
Regina General	9	1	3						4
Royal Victoria, Barrie	4	1	2						3
York County, Newmarket	5			2	1				3
CUSE (Site Fleurimont), Sherbrooke	8				2	1			3
Ottawa General	7	1		1					2
Royal Alexandra, Edmonton	11			1		1			2
Brantford General	4				1				1
Centre(s) no longer recruiting									16

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UK								
Treliske, Truro	11	5	4	12	6	2	4	33
Liverpool Women's	14	7	3	2	2	1	1	16
Arrowe Park, Wirral	11	6	6	2			1	15
Bradford Royal Infirmary	11	7	5	2				14
Leeds General Infirmary	11	7	3	2	2			14
Ormskirk General	3		2	4	1			7
Peterborough Maternity Unit	9	3	2	1	1			7
Pilgrim, Boston	5		1	1	3	1		6
Friarage, Northallerton	4	3	2					5
St John's, Chelmsford	10		3					3
Royal United, Bath	9			2				2
North Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent	15			1	1			2
Lewisham	7	1						1
St James's University, Leeds	12	1						1
Northern General, Sheffield	8		1					1
Centre(s) no longer recruiting								3

ARGENTINA								
LC Lagomaggiore, Mendoza	19		18	40	7	4	5	74
Maternidad "Martin", Rosario	11	7	7	2	2	2	1	21
Ramos Mejia, Buenos Aires	3		1	4	3			8
Prof A Posadas, Buenos Aires	10				4	3		7
Centre(s) no longer recruiting								6

INDIA								
Nowrosjee Wadia, Mumbai	13	12	8	12	3		1	36
Christian Medical College, Vellore	14	2	10	14	7	1	1	35
LTMCM & LTMGH, Mumbai	18			11	3	1	3	18

BRAZIL								
Jundiaí, São Paulo	6		8	15	10	1	1	35
ISCOMPA, Porto Alegre	13		1	17	3			21
Hosp das Clinicas da UFPE, Recife	10		7	4	1			12
Materno Infantil, Goiânia	5	1	3	6	2			12
IMI Pernambuco, Recife	15					3	6	9

ISRAEL								
Ma'ayney Hayeshua, Bene Beraq	10	8	7	3	1		1	20
Makassed Islamic, Jerusalem	5		9	4	4			17
Edith Wolfson, Holon	9		1	7	8		1	17
Meir, Kfar Saba	14	5		1	1		1	8
Bnai-Zion, Haifa	10			5	1		1	7
Poriya, Tiberias	5	2	2	2				6
Soroka, Beer Sheba	25		2	1	1			4
Chaim Sheba, Tel Hashomer	18			2	1	1		4
Hadassah Ein Karem, Jerusalem	10					1		1

AUSTRALIA								
Caroline Chisholm Centre, Liverpool	7		10	10	1		2	23
Mornington Peninsula, Frankston	5	9	3	4				16
King George V, Sydney	12	2	1	5	2	2	1	13
Logan, Meadowbrook	8		10		1	1		12
St George, Sydney	7	2	4	2				8
Mona Vale	2		3			1		4
Gosford	7		3					3
Women's & Children's, Adelaide	3	1	1			1		3
Centre(s) no longer recruiting								1

JORDAN								
Princess Badeea, Irbid	24	1	7	26	14	6	1	55
Islamic, Amman	18		3	8	9	1	2	23

CHILE								
Sótero del Río, Puente Alto	37			34	12	4	5	55
Universidad Catolica, Santiago	9	7	3	3	2		1	16

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SOUTH AFRICA								
Medunsa	25		23	21				44
Coronation, Johannesburg	16	12	5	2	2			21
USA								
Univ Utah, Salt Lake City	6	5	2	3				10
Univ New Mexico, Albuquerque	10	6	1	2	1	1		11
Boston Medical Center	5		1	2	2			5
Baylor College of Medicine, Houston	12		1	2	1		1	5
Maricopa, Phoenix	8			3	1			4
Univ Iowa, Iowa City	4		3				1	4
Univ Michigan, Ann Arbor	8			3				3
Hutzel, Detroit	16			2		1		3
Oregon Health Sci Univ, Portland	6			2				2
Univ Mississippi, Jackson	9			1	1			2
Univ Maryland, Baltimore	4	1			1			2
Texas Tech Univ, Lubbock	6			1				1
Harbor, Baltimore	4			1				1
Centre(s) no longer recruiting								7
ZIMBABWE								
Harare Maternity	39		1	23	9		1	34
ROMANIA								
IOMC-Polizu, Bucharest	9			2	13	6	7	28
FINLAND								
Central University, Helsinki	13	15	4	3	1			23
POLAND								
NRI of Mother & Child, Warsaw	6		4	2	2	1	1	10
Polish Mothers Memorial, Lodz	11			3	3			6
University of Gdansk	5	1	2	1	1		1	6
EGYPT								
Assiut University	12		4	8	5	1		18
YUGOSLAVIA								
Novi Sad	15	5	10	1	1		1	18
SWITZERLAND								
Hôpitaux Universitaires, Geneva	7	3	4	4			2	13
Regionalspital, Biel	2		2	1				3
PORTUGAL								
Distrital, Faro	7			11	1		2	14
THE NETHERLANDS								
Atrium, Heerlen	5			8	4		1	13
MEXICO								
Dr M G Gonzalez, Mexico DF	12		3	5				8
GERMANY								
Ludwig Maximilians, Munich	4			5	1		1	7
University, Bonn	3	1						1
NEW ZEALAND								
Queen Mary Maternity, Dunedin	5			1				1
DENMARK								
No Longer Recruiting								1

May 31, 1999, centres awaiting first patient: Centre, city, COUNTRY, (annual goal) [month/year start-up package sent]

Charite, Virchow Klinikum, Berlin, GERMANY (9) [3/99]; Slaska Akademia Medyczna, Bytom, POLAND (4) [3/99]; Sunderland Royal, Sunderland, UK (10) [1/99]; Diana Princess of Wales, Grimsby, UK (6) [1/99]; Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, USA (6) [9/98]; Countess of Chester, Chester, UK (10) [7/98]; Hosp Parroquial de San Bernardo, Santiago, CHILE (9) [6/98]; Royal University, Saskatoon, CANADA (11) [4/98].