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Overall Total: 323

Total this month: 31



Study recruitment often slows down a bit in December, because for many people it is such a busy time. If that has happened at your centre, please plan to kick MACS back into high gear in January.



The Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine Conference: Look out for MACS at the upcoming SMFM meeting, February 3-8, 2003 in San Francisco. Kellie Murphy will be co-hosting a wine and cheese reception with Ron Wapner, the Principal Investigator of the NIH corticosteroid trial, on Thursday, February 6th from 6:30-8:00 pm (Room: Union Square 21). This will be a great opportunity to socialize with other MACS collaborators and members of the NIH trial. If you are planning on attending please fill out the enclosed insert. Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

Wishing everyone a safe, peaceful New Year!!



Mugs This Month

MACS mugs are on their way to the following, who have recruited 5 more women into the study:

Royal University (*Saskatoon, Canada*), **Haemek** (*Afula, Israel*), **Edith Wolfson** (*Holon, Israel*), **Univ School of Medicine** (*Poznan, Poland*), **Sotero del Rio** (*Puente Alto, Chile*)

Also, a MACS mug is going out to **Montefiore** (*Bronx, USA*) for reaching their annual goal!



Long-term Follow-up

Last month we reminded you of the 2 year follow-up that is quickly approaching. We are now thinking about a longer term follow up (5-7 years) as well. In order for a long term follow up to work, we will need to keep in touch with these families after 2 years of age. Look for more news in upcoming newsletters.



This Month's Reminder:

Patient Contact Sheets

These serve as very important back-up information that may assist with the follow-up. Please send only the front side of the sheet to the DCC. Some collaborators find it easiest to fax back the *Patient Contact Sheet* the day the patient is randomised, while others mail it to us with the entry form. Either way, please be sure to send it in!

Recruitment

(Projected sample size of 1900 by July 2004)



as of December 31, 2002

Annual Goal	Apr - Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr - Jun	Jul - Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
	01	02	02	02	02	02	02	

COUNTRY

CANADA	135	29	11	20	17	10	5	4	96
ISRAEL	143	20	7	15	9	4	7	8	70
POLAND	37			4	24	20	13	9	70
DENMARK	15	9	3	4	4		1	1	22
CHILE	35				7	5	4	4	20
HUNGARY	9		3	4	6	1	2	1	17
USA	44	8		3	3	1		2	17
SWITZERLAND	10	3	2	2				2	9
GERMANY	15						2		2
Total	443	69	26	52	70	41	34	31	323

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(shaded area is prior to start-up)

CANADA									
Mount Sinai, Toronto	23	9	3	5	4	5		1	27
Royal University, Saskatoon	13	8	2	4				3	17
CHUS (Fleurimont), Sherbrooke	10	3	4	2	1	2			12
Children's & Women's, Vancouver	24	7	1	1	2		1		12
Royal Alexandra, Edmonton	14	2		3	4	1			10
St Boniface General, Winnipeg	13			2	3				5
Regina General, Regina	10		1		3	1			5
IWK Health Centre, Halifax	16			3		1	1		5
Sunnybrook & Women's, Toronto	12						3		3

ISRAEL									
Rabin, Petach Tikva	26	9	1	4	3			2	19
Soroka, Beer Sheva	38	1	1	4	3	4			13
Haemek, Afula	13		4	2	2		1	1	10
Edith Wolfson, Holon	12						4	4	8
Ma'ayne Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	16	7	1						8
Bnai Zion, Haifa	13	3		3					6
Poriya Government, Tiberias	7			1			2		3
Meir, Kfar-Saba	18			1	1			1	3

POLAND									
Univ School of Medicine, Poznan	18				8	11	9	7	35
Research Inst at PMMH, Lodz	14				11	6	4		21
Med University of Gdansk, Gdansk	5			4	5	3		2	14



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	01	02	02	02	02	02	02	

DENMARK									
Aarhus University, Aarhus	15	9	3	4	4		1	1	22

CHILE									
Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto	26				4	5	4	3	16
Universidad Católica, Santiago	9				3			1	4

HUNGARY									
University of Debrecen, Debrecen	9		3	4	6	1	2	1	17

USA									
Montefiore, Bronx	13	7		2	1	1		2	13
Bethesda, Cincinnati	13			1	1				2
Good Samaritan, Cincinnati	18				1				1
Albany (No longer recruiting)	—	1							1

SWITZERLAND									
CHU Vaudois, Lausanne	5	3	2	1				1	7
Univ Women's Hospital, Basel	5			1				1	2

GERMANY									
Klinikum Nurnburg Sud, Nurnburg	15						2		2

Centres awaiting first patient: [COUNTRY: Hospital, City (annual goal)] [month/year start-up package sent]

USA: Maricopa, *Phoenix* (11) [04/01]; University of New Mexico, *Albuquerque* (12) [10/01]; Medical University of South Carolina, *Charleston* (7) [06/02] Baystate Medical Center (16) [10/02]. **THE NETHERLANDS:** Atrium, *Heerlen* (6) [07/01]; Academisch Ziekenhuis, *Maastricht* (5) [06/02].



Keep up the Good Work!

Quote of the Month:

"Patience, persistence and perspiration make an unbeatable combination for success."

- Napoleon Hill