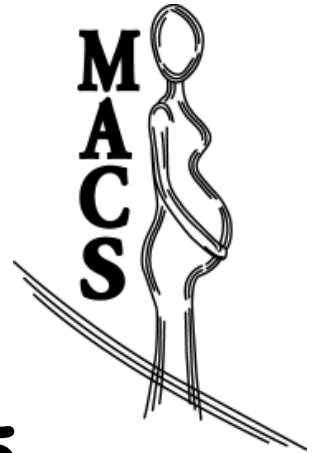


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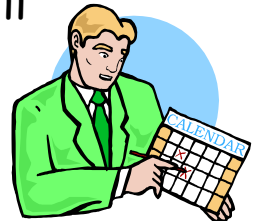
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Overall Total: 645

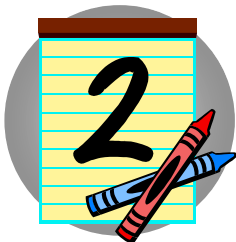
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Let's Finish in 2004!

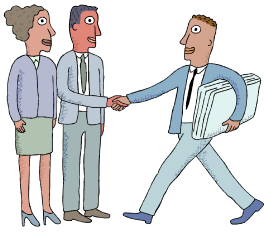
We hope all of you had nice holidays, rested well and feel refreshed and full of energy to start the New Year! We worked so hard last year and achieved a great deal. We have already recruited over 1/3 of MACS sample and need to try our best to reach the goal of 1900. If every MACS centre recruits only 2 women per month we will be able to finish recruitment in December 2004! Together we can do it!



A Happy New Year!



Let's try our best and recruit 2 or more patients each month!



Please welcome 2 new centres joining MACS collaborators' group!

- **University of Illinois (Chicago, USA)**
- **Winthrop (Mineola, USA)**

MUGS THIS MONTH

MACS mugs are on their way to the following centres, who have recruited 5 more women into the study. GOOD WORK!

Royal Alexandra (*Edmonton, Canada*),
St Boniface General (*Winnipeg, Canada*), North
Bay General (*North Bay, Canada*), University
School of Medicine (*Poznan, Poland*), University of
Debrecen (*Debrecen, Hungary*)

Also, one MACS mugs going out to the following centre for reaching their annual goal in the year 2003... and just in time! 👍

- **Klinikum Nurnburg (*Nurnburg, Germany*)**

Some recruitment tips:

- As the MACS coordinator or investigator you are likely to be the most highly motivated person to find recruits for the study. Don't wait for staff to refer patients to you; check high-risk areas as often as you can for potential participants.
- Do a quick screening of patients and then fine tune later. If possible, use MACS study stickers to identify charts of potential participants.

...AND DON'T FORGET TO LET US KNOW IF YOU NEED MORE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS!

Recruitment

(Projected sample size of 1900 by December 2004)



Annual Goal	Apr-Dec 01	Jan-Dec 02	Jan-Jun 03	July-Aug 03	Sept 03	Oct 03	Nov 03	Dec 03	Grand Total
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as of December 30, 2003

COUNTRY

CANADA	138	29	67	33	11	1	4	7	10	162
POLAND	37		70	51	4	7	3	8	3	146
ISRAEL	165	20	50	28	11	4	1	7	5	126
CHILE	35		20	14	5	1	3			43
GERMANY	52		2	12	7	5		7	2	35
USA	60	8	9	11	1		2			31
HUNGARY	9		17	8	3				3	31
DENMARK	15	9	13	4		1				27
SWITZERLAND	10	3	6	3	2	1	1	1		17
JORDAN	23			6	1	2	1		2	12
THE NETHERLANDS	11			2			1	1	1	5
BRAZIL	5						3			3
SPAIN	10							1	2	3
ARGENTINA	13							2		2
UK	5							1		1
RUSSIA	5								1	1
Total	588	69	254	172	45	22	19	35	29	645

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(shaded area is prior to start-up)

CANADA										
Mount Sinai, Toronto	23	9	18	3	4		2	1	1	38
Royal University, Saskatoon	13	8	9	4					2	23
Royal Alexandra, Edmonton	14	2	8	7	1			1	2	21
CHUS (Fleurimont), Sherbrooke	10	3	9	2	2			1		17
IWK Health Centre, Halifax	16		5	7		1	1	2	1	17
Children's & Women's, Vancouver	24	7	5	2	2					16
St Boniface General, Winnipeg	13		5	2			1	1	2	11
Sunnybrook & Women's, Toronto	12		3	5						8
Regina General, Regina	10		5		1					6
North Bay General, North Bay	3			1	1			1	2	5

POLAND										
Univ School of Medicine, Poznan	18		35	17	1	4	1	5	2	65
Med University of Gdansk, Gdansk	5		14	17	3	1	2	3	1	41
Research Inst at PMMH, Lodz	14		21	17		2				40

ISRAEL										
Rabin, Petach Tikva	26	9	10	6	2					27
Edith Wolfson, Holon	12		8	9	3	2	1			23
Haemek, Afula	13		10	4	2	2		2	1	21
Ma'ayne Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	16	7	1	4	3			1	1	17
Soroka, Beer Sheva	38	1	12	1						14
Bnai Zion, Haifa	13	3	3	4	1					11
Meir, Kfar-Saba	18		3					3	2	8
Poriya Government, Tiberias	7		3							3
Sheba Medical Centre, Ramat-Gan	22							1	1	2

CHILE										
Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto	26		16	6	3	1	2			28
Universidad Católica, Santiago	9		4	8	2		1			15



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GERMANY										
Klinikum Nurnburg Sud, Nurnburg	15		2	9	2			2	2	17
Benjamin Franklin, Berlin	15			3	4	3				10
University of Marburg, Marburg	4					2				2
University of Leipzig, Leipzig	5						2			2
St. Hedwig Hospital, Regensburg	4						2			2
MHH Hannover, Hannover	5						1			1
TU Munchen, Munchen	4				1					1

USA										
Montefiore, Bronx	13	7	6	7	1		1			22
Bethesda, Cincinnati	13		2	1			1			4
Good Samaritan, Cincinnati	18		1	1						2
Baystate Medical Center, Springfield	16			2						2
Albany (No longer recruiting)	----	1								1

HUNGARY										
University of Debrecen, Debrecen	9		17	8	3				3	31

DENMARK										
Aarhus University, Aarhus	15	9	13	4		1				27

SWITZERLAND										
Univ Women's Hospital, Basel	5		2	3	2	1	1	1		10
CHU Vaudois, Lausanne	5	3	4							7

JORDAN										
Islamic, Amman	23			6	1	2	1		2	12

THE NETHERLANDS										
Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht	5			1			1	1	1	4
Atrium, Heerlen	6			1						1

BRAZIL										
Hospital Geral, Caxias do Sul	5						3			3

SPAIN										
Hospital Clinic, Barcelona	10							1	2	3

ARGENTINA										
Posadas, Buenos Aires	13							2		2

UK										
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn	5							1		1

RUSSIA										
Res Centre of Obs, Gyn, & Peri, Moscow	5								1	1

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

USA: Medical University of South Carolina, *Charleston* (7) [06/02]; University of Illinois, *Chicago(?)* [12/03]; Winthrop, *Mineola* (16) [12/03]. **CHINA:** Peace Maternity, *Shanghai* (18) [02/03]. **GERMANY:** Dr Horst-Schmidt-Kliniken, *Wiesbaden* (8) [08/03]; University Women's Hospital, *Homburg* (5) [11/03]; Helios Klinikum, *Erfurt* (5) [11/03]. **UK:** Forth Park, *Kirkcaldy* (10) [10/03]. **ISRAEL:** Hadassah Ein Kerem, *Jerusalem* (13) [11/03].

Keep up the Good Work!



Quote of the Month:

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."

Helen Keller