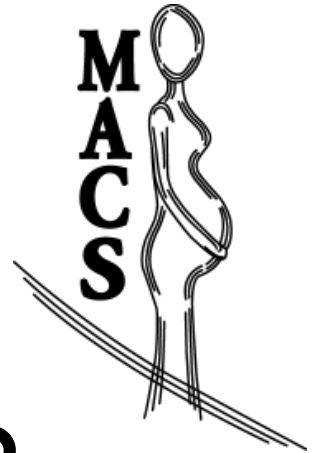


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Overall Total: 689

Total this month: 44

Good work, everyone!

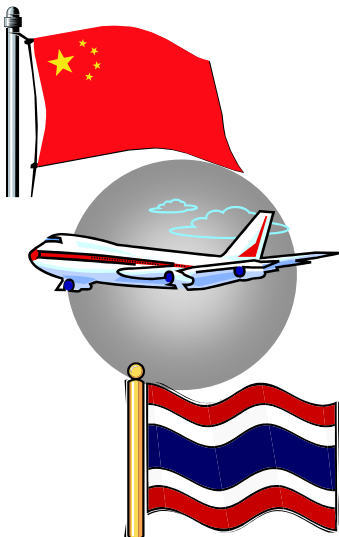


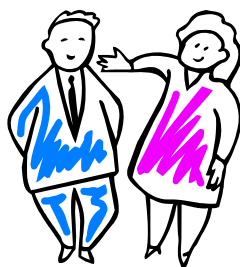
Thanks to all your efforts, this month we have had the highest number of recruits ever in MACS! Let's set a new record every month and increase our recruitment rate even further!!!

We have a surprise gift for every centre that recruits 2 or more patients in March.

Site Visits

This month Dr Mary Hannah and Lana Kiehn visited two sites in Asia: International Peace Maternity & Child Health Hospital in Shanghai, China, an active MACS site and Khon Kaen University in Thailand, an interested MACS centre. Mary and Lana would like to thank collaborators for their hospitality. Other site visits are being planned.





MUGS THIS MONTH

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

Mount Sinai (*Toronto, Canada*)
 Edith Wolfson (*Holon, Israel*)
 Meir General (*Kfar-Saba, Israel*)
 Islamic (*Amman, Jordan*)
 Sotero del Rio (*Puente Alto, Chile*)
 Bethesda (*Cincinnati, USA*)
 Academisch Ziekenhuis (*Maastricht, Netherlands*)

Let's welcome a new centre that joined MACS this month! It is good to have you on board!

❖ **LC Lagomaggiore (*Mendoza, Argentina*)**

Reminder

Please be sure to let us know when you need more MACS data forms and we will be happy to send them to you. Particularly we ask you not to use the Entry Form from the MACS Manual and not to assign Patient Study Numbers for randomisation. We will provide all MACS forms that you need and we will assign the Patient Study Numbers for the Entry Forms at the Data Coordinating Centre in Toronto in order to avoid accidental duplication.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AN ADDITIONAL
 SUPPLY OF MACS BEARS FOR YOU TO USE TO
 ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN MACS.
 WE WILL SEND YOU SAMPLES ALONG WITH A
 NEW SUPPLY ORDER FORM.



as of January 31, 2004

| Annual Goal | Apr - Dec | Jan - Dec | Jan - Jun | Jul - Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Grand Total |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------|------|------|-------------|
| | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2003 | 2003 | 2003 | 2004 | |

COUNTRY

| COUNTRY | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|--------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| CANADA | 138 | 29 | 67 | 33 | 17 | 6 | 10 | 9 | 171 |
| POLAND | 37 | | 70 | 51 | 14 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 149 |
| ISRAEL | 165 | 20 | 50 | 28 | 16 | 7 | 5 | 14 | 140 |
| CHILE | 35 | | 20 | 14 | 9 | | | 5 | 48 |
| GERMANY | 52 | | 2 | 12 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 37 |
| HUNGARY | 9 | | 17 | 8 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 33 |
| USA | 60 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 3 | | | 1 | 32 |
| DENMARK | 15 | 9 | 13 | 4 | 1 | | | | 27 |
| SWITZERLAND | 10 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 18 |
| JORDAN | 23 | | | 6 | 4 | | 2 | 3 | 15 |
| NETHERLANDS | 11 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| SPAIN | 10 | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| ARGENTINA | 13 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | 3 |
| BRAZIL | 5 | | | | 3 | | | | 3 |
| UK | 5 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| RUSSIAN FEDERATION | 5 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Total | 593 | 69 | 254 | 172 | 87 | 34 | 29 | 44 | 689 |

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(Shaded area is prior to start-up)

CANADA

| Centre | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Mount Sinai, Toronto | 23 | 9 | 18 | 3 | 7 | | 1 | 2 | 40 |
| Royal University, Saskatoon | 13 | 8 | 9 | 4 | | | 2 | | 23 |
| Royal Alexandra, Edmonton | 14 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 21 |
| IWK Health Centre, Halifax | 16 | | 5 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 18 |
| CHUS Fleurimont, Sherbrooke | 10 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | 17 |
| Children's & Women's of BC, Vancouver | 24 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 2 | | | | 16 |
| St Boniface General, Winnipeg | 13 | | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 14 |
| Sunnybrook & Women's College, Toronto | 12 | | 3 | 5 | | | | | 8 |
| Regina General, Regina | 10 | | 5 | | 1 | | | 2 | 8 |
| North Bay General, North Bay | 3 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 |

POLAND

| Centre | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|---|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Univ School of Medicine, Poznan | 18 | | 35 | 17 | 6 | 5 | 2 | | 65 |
| Res Inst at Polish Mothers Memorial, Lodz | 14 | | 21 | 17 | 2 | | | 3 | 43 |
| Med Univ of Gdansk, Gdansk | 5 | | 14 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 1 | | 41 |

ISRAEL

| Centre | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Rabin, Petach Tikva | 26 | 9 | 10 | 6 | 2 | | | 2 | 29 |
| Edith Wolfson, Holon | 12 | | 8 | 9 | 6 | | | 2 | 25 |
| Haemek, Afula | 13 | | 10 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 24 |
| Ma'ayney Hayeshua, Bnei Brak | 16 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 18 |
| Soroka, Beer Sheva | 38 | 1 | 12 | 1 | | | | | 14 |
| Meir, Kfar-Saba | 18 | | 3 | | | 3 | 2 | 6 | 14 |
| Bnai Zion, Haifa | 13 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | | | | 11 |
| Poriya Government, Tiberias | 7 | | 3 | | | | | | 3 |
| Sheba Medical Center, Ramat-Gan | 22 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |

CHILE

| Centre | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto | 26 | | 16 | 6 | 6 | | | 5 | 33 |
| Universidad Catolica, Santiago | 9 | | 4 | 8 | 3 | | | | 15 |

GERMANY

| Centre | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Klinikum Nurnburg Sud, Nurnburg | 15 | | 2 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 18 |

| | Annual Goal | Apr - Dec 2001 | Jan - Dec 2002 | Jan - Jun 2003 | Jul - Oct 2003 | Nov 2003 | Dec 2003 | Jan 2004 | Grand Total |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Benjamin Franklin, Berlin | 15 | | | 3 | 7 | | | | 10 |
| St Hedwig Hospital, Regensburg | 4 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | 3 |
| University of Marburg, Marburg | 4 | | | | 2 | | | | 2 |
| University of Leipzig, Leipzig | 5 | | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| TU Munchen, Munchen | 4 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| MHH Hannover, Hannover | 5 | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |

HUNGARY

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|----|---|---|--|---|---|----|
| University of Debrecen, Debrecen | 9 | | 17 | 8 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 33 |
|----------------------------------|---|--|----|---|---|--|---|---|----|

USA

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|----|
| Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx | 13 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 2 | | | | 22 |
| Bethesda, Cincinnati | 13 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 5 |
| Good Samaritan, Cincinnati | 18 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| Baystate Medical Center, Springfield | 16 | | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Albany (No longer recruiting) | 0 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |

DENMARK

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|----|---|----|---|---|--|--|--|----|
| Aarhus University, Aarhus | 15 | 9 | 13 | 4 | 1 | | | | 27 |
|---------------------------|----|---|----|---|---|--|--|--|----|

SWITZERLAND

| | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|----|
| University Women's Hospital, Basel | 5 | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 11 |
| CHU Vaudois, Lausanne | 5 | 3 | 4 | | | | | | 7 |

JORDAN

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|----|
| Islamic, Amman | 23 | | | 6 | 4 | | 2 | 3 | 15 |
|----------------|----|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|----|

NETHERLANDS

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht | 5 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Atrium, Heerlen | 6 | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |

SPAIN

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|---|
| Hospital Clinic, Barcelona | 10 | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
|----------------------------|----|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|---|

ARGENTINA

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|----|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| Posadas, Buenos Aires | 13 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | 3 |
|-----------------------|----|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|---|

BRAZIL

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|
| Hospital Geral, Caxias do Sul | 5 | | | | 3 | | | | 3 |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|

UK

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn | 5 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|---|

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|
| Research Centre of Obs, Gyn & Perinatology, 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* (8) [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) p11/03; Helios Klinikum, *Erfurt* (5) [11/03]. UK: Forth Park, *Kirkcaldy* (10) [10/03]. ISRAEL: Hadassah Ein Kerem, *Jerusalem* (13) [11/03]. ARGENTINA: LC Lagomaggiore, *Mendoza* (26) [01/04].



Quote of the Month:

"Use what talent you possess: the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best."

Henry Van Dyke

Keep up the Good Work!