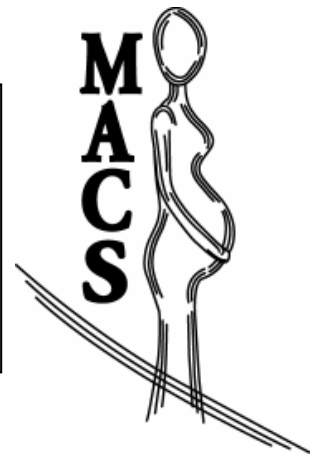


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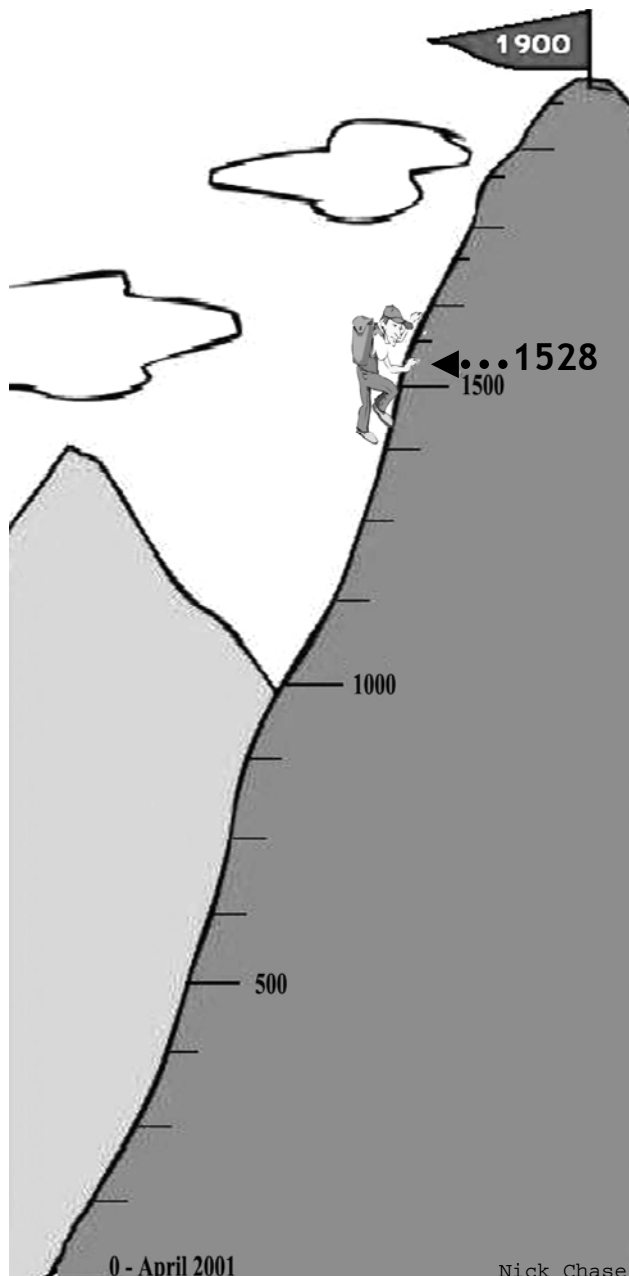


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Overall Total: 1528

Total this month: 26



WE'VE COME SO FAR!

Join us for our final push to the top!

We are climbing towards our 1900th patient and we want you to join us! Each month you will be able to see our progress by how far our mountain climber has moved up the mountain! Help us get to the top by recruiting your patients into MACS!

MACS MUGS

The following centres are receiving MACS mugs for recruiting 5 or more women into the study:

Hospital Penna (*Bahia Blanca, ARGENTINA*)
Hospital J.R. Vidal (*Corrientes, ARGENTINA*)
Mount Sinai (*Toronto, CANADA*)
Univ School of Medicine (*Poznan, POLAND*)
Dr Horst-Schmidt-Kliniken (*Wiesbaden, GERMANY*)



COMING SOON!!



CDs!!

To help keep everyone informed about the study, we are putting together a CD which will contain various presentations and information about MACS. We will be mailing these CDs to your centre in the next few weeks. Please feel free to share the presentations with your colleagues to encourage participation in the study.

RECRUITMENT SUGGESTIONS FROM OUR COLLABORATORS:



Try to get all the staff at your centre to support your efforts in MACS (for example, talk to Physicians, Nurses, Residents, and so on). This could help to make MACS more of a "policy" at your centre.

Putting MACS on your meeting agendas and talking about MACS for 2 minutes at each departmental meeting or at rounds will increase awareness at your centre.

THIS MONTH'S REMINDER



Give patient information brochures to potential recruits ahead of time (for example, right after their pre-study dose of ACS). So that when it is time to talk to them about joining MACS they are already aware of the study. If you require more patient information brochures please don't hesitate to contact us and we will send them to you. We always love to hear from you!



as of November 30, 2005

COUNTRY	Annual Goal	Apr - Dec 2001	Jan - Dec 2002	Jan - Dec 2003	Jan - Jun 2004	Jul - Dec 2004	Jan - Jun 2005	Jul - Aug 2005	Sept 2005	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Grand Total
ARGENTINA	123			2	33	112	97	39	12	17	13	325
CANADA	142	29	67	66	46	22	36	13	1	2	3	285
POLAND	37		70	76	17	22	20	3	2	2	3	215
ISRAEL	156	20	50	56	32	25	18	5	3	1	2	212
CHILE	61		20	23	23	15	20	6	2	3	1	113
GERMANY	73		2	33	23	17	10	4		1	1	91
COLOMBIA	27				17	18	14	7	3	2	3	64
HUNGARY	9		17	14	7	4	2	1				45
USA	37	8	9	14	5	5	1	1	1			44
DENMARK	15	9	13	5	3	3	1		1			35
SWITZERLAND	16	3	6	8	3	2	3					25
JORDAN	23			12	3							15
SPAIN	10			3	4	3	4					14
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	15			1	6	4	1					12
BOLIVIA	3					8	1					9
THE NETHERLANDS	11			5	1				2			8
BRAZIL	5			3	4							7
UK	14			1	1	2						4
CHINA	18				3	1						4
PERU	21						1					1
Total	816	69	254	322	231	263	229	79	27	28	26	1528

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(Shaded area is prior to start-up)

ARGENTINA

Hospital Penna, Bahia Blanca	10				18	53	54	19	6	8	3	161
Posadas, Buenos Aires	13			2	7	11	11	5	1			37
LC Lagomaggiore, Mendoza	26				3	12	7	3	1	1	2	29
Ramon Carrillo, Santiago del Estero	20					11	6	6	2		3	28
Hospital J.R. Vidal, Corrientes	13					8	5	4	2	4	3	26
Hospital Sarda, Buenos Aires	22			4	1	8	1			3	2	19
Hospital Italiano, Buenos Aires	6					7	6	1		1		15
Ramos Mejia, Buenos Aires	4					5						5
Hospital Italiano, La Plata	4				1	2						3
Hospital Fiorito, Avellaneda	5					2						2

CANADA

Mount Sinai, Toronto	23	9	18	11	16	6	8	6			2	76
Royal Alexandra, Edmonton	14	2	8	11	4	6	11					42
Royal University, Saskatoon	13	8	9	6		2		1				26
CHUS Fleurimont, Sherbrooke	10	3	9	5	6	1		1				25
IWK Health Centre, Halifax	16		5	12	3	2	2	1				25
St Boniface General, Winnipeg	13		5	6	6		4	2		1		24
BC Women's, Vancouver	24	7	5	4	1	1	2					20
North Bay General, North Bay	3			5	5	2	3	1				16
Regina General, Regina	10		5	1	3	1	3			1		14
Sunnybrook & Women's College, Toronto	12		3	5			2	1				11
Dr Everett Chalmers Regional, Fredericton	4				2	1	1		1		1	6

POLAND

Univ School of Medicine, Poznan	18		35	30	5	17	7	2	1	2	1	100
Res Inst at Polish Mothers Memorial, Lodz	14		21	19	7	1	11	1	1			61
Med Univ of Gdansk, Gdansk	5		14	27	5	4	2				2	54

ISRAEL

Haemek, Afula	13		10	11	11	15	5	3	1		1	57
Rabin, Petach Tikva	26	9	10	8	3	2	2			1	1	36
Edith Wolfson, Holon	12		8	15	4	1	3	1				32
Ma'ayney Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	16	7	1	9	2	3	3	1	2			28
Meir, Kfar-Saba	18		3	5	10	1	4					23
Soroka, Beer Sheva	38	1	12	1		1						15
Bnai Zion, Haifa	13	3	3	5	1							12
Hadassah Ein Kerem, Jerusalem	13				1	2	1					4
Poriya Government, Tiberias	7		3									3
Centres that are no longer recruiting	0											2

CHILE

Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto	26		16	12	15	12	10	3		3		71
Universidad Catolica, Santiago	9		4	11	5	1	1	1	2			25
Hospital Clinico San Borja Arriaran, Santiago	26				3	2	9	2			1	17

Annual Goal	Apr -	Jan -	Jan -	Jan -	Jul -	Jan -	Jul -	Sept	Oct	Nov	Grand Total
	Dec 2001	Dec 2002	Dec 2003	Jun 2004	Dec 2004	Jun 2005	Aug 2005	2005	2005	2005	

GERMANY

Klinikum Nurnburg Sud, Nurnburg	15		2	15	6	3	1	1		1		29
Benjamin Franklin, Berlin	15			10	2	1	3					16
University of Marburg, Marburg	4			2	1	5	2	1				11
Helios Klinikum, Erfurt	5				3	3	1	1				8
St Hedwig Hospital, Regensburg	4			2	2	2	1					7
University of Leipzig, Leipzig	5			2	2	1						5
University Women's Hospital, Homburg	5				3	1	1					5
Dr Horst-Schmidt-Kliniken, Wiesbaden	8				2		1	1			1	5
TU Munchen, Munchen	4			1	1	1						3
Bonn University, Bonn	3				1							1
MHH Hannover, Hannover	5			1								1

COLOMBIA

CEMIYA, Cali	26				17	18	11	4	3	2	3	58
Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla	1						3	3				6

HUNGARY

University of Debrecen, Debrecen	9		17	14	7	4	2	1				45
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USA

Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx	13	7	6	9	2	2		1				27
University of Illinois, Chicago	8				1	3	1		1			6
Winthrop, Mineola	16				1							1
Centres that are no longer recruiting	0											10

DENMARK

Aarhus University, Aarhus	15	9	13	5	3	3	1		1			35
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SWITZERLAND

University Women's Hospital, Basel	5		2	8	3		1					14
CHU Vaudois, Lausanne	5	3	4				1	1				9
University Hospital, Zurich	6						1	1				2

JORDAN

Islamic, Amman	23			12	3							15
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SPAIN

UB Hospital Clinic, Barcelona	10			3	4	3	4					14
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RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Research Centre of Obs, Gyn & Perinatology, Moscow	5			1	6	1	1					9
Research Institute, Ivanovo	10					3						3

BOLIVIA

Instituto de Salud Reproductiva/UDIME, Santa Cruz	3					8	1					9
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THE NETHERLANDS

Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht	5			4	1				2			7
Atrium, Heerlen	6			1								1

BRAZIL

Hospital Geral, Caxias do Sul	5			3	4							7
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UK

Royal Free, London	9					2						2
The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn	5			1	1							2

CHINA

Peace Maternity, Shanghai	18				3	1						4
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PERU

Hospital Nacional Cayetano Heredia, Lima	21						1					1
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Centres awaiting first patient: [COUNTRY: Hospital, City (annual goal)] [month/year start-up package sent]

ARGENTINA: Hospital JM Cullen, Santa Fe (10) [06/05]; CANADA: CRHA-Foothills, Calgary (41) [05/10]; UK: Diana Princess of Wales, Grimsby, (7) [05/12]

Centres currently unable to recruit due to regulatory or import difficulties: [COUNTRY: Hospital, City]

JORDAN: Islamic, Amman; BRAZIL: Hospital Geral, Caxias do Sul; UK: Royal Free, London; The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn



Quote of the Month:

Keep up the Good Work!

“Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors.”

African Proverb

18-24 Month Follow-up of MACS Babies

The status of the MACS 18-24 Month Follow-up is displayed in the following table for centres that recruited patients. Centres are listed according to the total number of recruits by country and centre. See below for the number of follow-up assessments performed by your centre!



Let's aim for 100% follow-up for 2003!!

Follow-Up Status	2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		Totals	
	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up
As of November 2005												
COUNTRY												
ARGENTINA					2	2	145	1	178		325	3
CANADA	29	29	67	61	66	50	68	3	55		285	143
POLAND			70	67	76	56	39		30		215	123
ISRAEL	20	20	50	43	56	24	57		29		212	87
CHILE			20	16	23	17	38		32		113	33
GERMANY			2	1	33	9	40		16		91	10
COLOMBIA							35		29		64	
HUNGARY			17	2	14	1	11		3		45	3
USA	8	7	9	3	14	4	10		3		44	14
DENMARK	9	9	13	13	5		6		2		35	22
SWITZERLAND	3	3	6	5	8	5	5		3		25	13
JORDAN					12	2	3				15	2
SPAIN					3		7		4		14	
RUSSIAN FEDERATION					1		10		1		12	
BOLIVIA							8		1		9	
THE NETHERLANDS					5	2	1		2		8	2
BRAZIL					3	1	4				7	1
UK					1	1	3				4	1
CHINA							4				4	
PERU									1		1	
Total	69	68	254	211	322	174	494	4	389		1528	457
			98.6%	83.1%		54.0%		0.8%				30%

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(Shaded area is prior to start-up)

ARGENTINA

Hospital Penna, Bahia Blanca							71		90		161	
Posadas, Buenos Aires					2	2	18	1	17		37	3
LC Lagomaggiore, Mendoza							15		14		29	
Ramon Carrillo, Santiago del Estero							11		17		28	
Hospital J.R. Vidal, Corrientes							8		18		26	
Hospital Sarda, Buenos Aires							5		14		19	
Hospital Italiano, Buenos Aires							7		8		15	
Ramos Mejia, Buenos Aires							5				5	
Hospital Italiano, La Plata							3				3	
Hospital Fiorito, Avellaneda							2				2	

CANADA

Mount Sinai, Toronto	9	9	18	15	11	4	22		16		76	28
Royal Alexandra, Edmonton	2	2	8	8	11	11	10		11		42	21
Royal University, Saskatoon	8	8	9	9	6	5	2		1		26	22
CHUS Fleurimont, Sherbrooke	3	3	9	8	5	5	7	2	1		25	18
IWK Health Centre, Halifax			5	5	12	10	5		3		25	15
St Boniface General, Winnipeg			5	5	6	4	6	1	7		24	10
BC Women's, Vancouver	7	7	5	5	4	4	2		2		20	16
North Bay General, North Bay					5	1	7		4		16	1
Regina General, Regina			5	3	1	1	4		4		14	4
Sunnybrook & Women's College, Toronto			3	3	5	5			3		11	8
Dr Everett Chalmers Regional, Fredericton							3		3		6	

POLAND

Univ School of Medicine, Poznan			35	35	30	22	22		13		100	57
Res Inst at Polish Mothers Memorial, Lodz			21	19	19	15	8		13		61	34
Med Univ of Gdansk, Gdansk			14	13	27	19	9		4		54	32

ISRAEL

Haemek, Afula			10	7	11		26		10		57	7
Rabin, Petach Tikva	9	9	10	9	8	7	5		4		36	25
Edith Wolfson, Holon			8	7	15	12	5		4		32	19
Ma'ayney Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	7	7	1	1	9	1	5		6		28	9
Meir, Kfar-Saba			3	2	5		11		4		23	2
Soroka, Beer Sheva	1	1	12	12	1	1	1				15	14
Bnai Zion, Haifa	3	3	3	3	5	3	1				12	9
Hadassah Ein Kerem, Jerusalem							3		1		4	
Poriya Government, Tiberias			3	2							3	2
Sheba Medical Center, Ramat-Gan					2						2	

Follow-Up Status	2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		Totals	
	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up	#Recruited	# Complete Follow-Up
As of November 2005												
CHILE												
Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto			16	12	12	7	27		16		71	19
Universidad Catolica, Santiago			4	4	11	10	6		4		25	14
Hospital Clinico San Borja Arriaran, Santiago							5		12		17	
GERMANY												
Klinikum Nurnburg Sud, Nurnburg			2	1	15	2	9		3		29	3
Benjamin Franklin, Berlin					10	5	3		3		16	5
University of Marburg, Marburg					2		6		3		11	
Helios Klinikum, Erfurt							6		2		8	
St Hedwig Hospital, Regensburg					2	2	4		1		7	2
University Women's Hospital, Homburg							4		1		5	
Dr Horst-Schmidt-Kliniken, Wiesbaden							2		3		5	
University of Leipzig, Leipzig					2		3				5	
TU Munchen, Munchen					1		2				3	
Bonn University, Bonn							1				1	
MHH Hannover, Hannover					1						1	
COLOMBIA												
CEMIYA, Cali							35		23		58	
Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla									6		6	
HUNGARY												
University of Debrecen, Debrecen			17	2	14	1	11		3		45	3
USA												
Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx	7	7	6	2	9	3	4		1		27	12
University of Illinois, Chicago							4		2		6	
Bethesda, Cincinnati			2	1	2		1				5	1
Good Samaritan, Cincinnati			1		1						2	
Baystate Medical Center, Springfield					2	1					2	1
Winthrop, Mineola							1				1	
Albany Medical Center, Albany	1										1	
DENMARK												
Aarhus University, Aarhus	9	9	13	13	5		6		2		35	22
SWITZERLAND												
University Women's Hospital, Basel			2	1	8	5	3		1		14	6
CHU Vaudois, Lausanne	3	3	4	4			1		1		9	7
University Hospital, Zurich							1		1		2	
JORDAN												
Islamic, Amman					12	2	3				15	2
SPAIN												
UB Hospital Clinic, Barcelona					3		7		4		14	
RUSSIAN FEDERATION												
Research Centre of Obs, Gyn & Perinatology, Moscow					1		7		1		9	
Research Institute, Ivanovo							3				3	
BOLIVIA												
Instituto de Salud Reproductiva/UDIME, Santa Cruz							8		1		9	
THE NETHERLANDS												
Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht					4	1	1		2		7	1
Atrium, Heerlen					1	1					1	1
BRAZIL												
Hospital Geral, Caxias do Sul					3	1	4				7	1
UK												
Royal Free, London							2				2	
The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn					1	1	1				2	1
CHINA												
Peace Maternity, Shanghai							4				4	
PERU												
Hospital Nacional Cayetano Heredia, Lima									1		1	