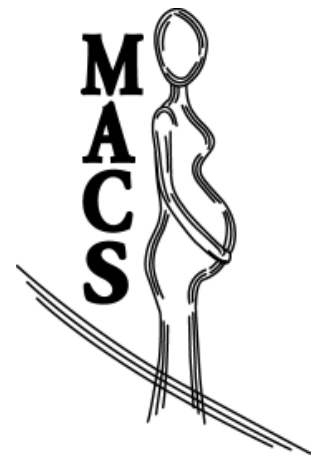


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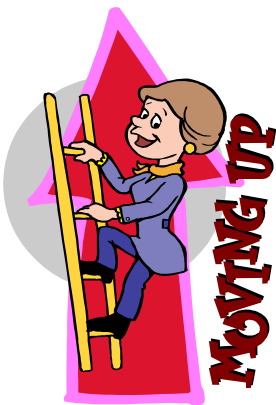
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Overall Total: 258
Total this month: 41

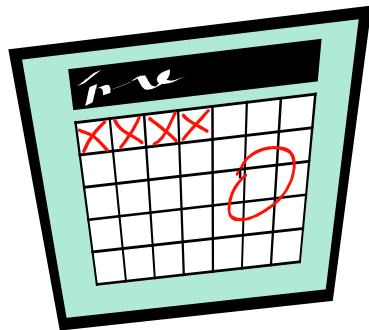
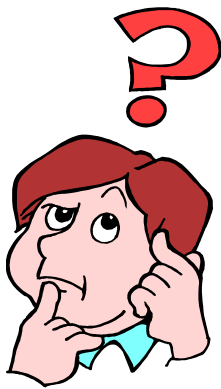
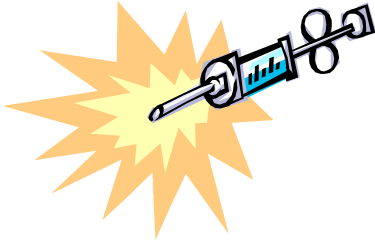
WOW!!!
Our Record
High!!

Congratulations! This is our best month ever and we feel as if we've reached a new plateau. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to get us to this point.

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

Mount Sinai (Toronto, Canada), Royal Alexandra (Edmonton, Canada), Regina General (Regina, Canada), Soroka (Beer Sheva, Israel), Research Ins at PMMH (Lodz, Poland), Univ School of Medicine (Poznan, Poland), Med University of Gdansk (Gdansk, Poland), Sotero del Rio (Puente Alto, Chile).

Also, an extra mug is going to **Mount Sinai (Toronto, Canada), Research Ins at PMMH (Lodz, Poland), and Univ School of Medicine (Poznan, Poland)** for reaching their annual goal.



Giving the study drug

We have had a couple of reports that the needles provided with the study drug were too short to use with some patients. You should feel free to substitute a needle of appropriate length if you think it's necessary.

Please do let us know if you have had this or any other problem with the study drug.

Shelley or Sheila?

Shelley Stalker, who has been working with us in MIRU for just over a year, will be taking on much of the responsibility for coordination of MACS. Feel free to contact either Shelley Stalker or Sheila Hewson for your MACS needs.

International Collaborators' Meeting

The date for the next MACS Meeting has been set. Mark your calendars for October 24 to 26, 2003. We will send invitations and more detail in the new year.



Recruitment

(Projected sample size of 1900 by July 2004)

as of October 31, 2002

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

COUNTRY

CANADA	123	29	11	20	17	10	87
ISRAEL	131	20	7	15	9	4	55
POLAND	37			4	24	20	48
DENMARK	15	9	3	4	4		20
USA	44	8		3	3	1	15
HUNGARY	9		3	4	6	1	14
CHILE	57				7	5	12
SWITZERLAND	10	3	2	2			7
Total	426	69	26	52	70	41	258

CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(shaded area is prior to start-up)

CANADA							
Mount Sinai, Toronto	23	9	3	5	4	5	26
Royal University, Saskatoon	13	8	2	4			14
CHUS (Fleurimont), Sherbrooke	10	3	4	2	1	2	12
Children's & Women's, Vancouver	24	7	1	1	2		11
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	4

ISRAEL							
Rabin, Petach Tikva	26	9	1	4	3		17
Soroka, Beer Sheva	38	1	1	4	3	4	13
Ma'ayne Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	16	7	1				8
Haemek, Afula	13		4	2	2		8
Bnai Zion, Haifa	13	3		3			6
Meir, Kfar-Saba	18			1	1		2
Poriya Government, Tiberias	7			1			1

POLAND							
Univ School of Medicine, Poznan	18				8	11	19
Research Inst at PMMH, Lodz	14				11	6	17
Med University of Gdansk, Gdansk	5			4	5	3	12

DENMARK							
Aarhus University, Aarhus	15	9	3	4	4		20

Recruitment

(Projected sample size of 1900 by July 2004)



Annual Goal	Apr - Dec 01	Jan - Mar 02	Apr-Jun 02	Jul-Sept 02	Oct 02	Grand Total
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USA						
Montefiore, Bronx	13	7	2	1	1	11
Bethesda, Cincinnati	13		1	1		2
Good Samaritan, Cincinnati	18			1		1
Albany (No longer recruiting)	—	1				1

HUNGARY							
University of Debrecen, Debrecen	9		3	4	6	1	14

CHILE							
Sotero del Rio, Puente Alto	48			4	5		9
Universidad Católica, Santiago	9			3			3

SWITZERLAND							
CHU Vaudois, Lausanne	5	3	2	1			6
Univ Women's Hospital, Basel	5			1			1

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

CANADA: Sunnybrook & Women's College, Toronto (12) [12/01]. **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]. **ISRAEL:** Edith Wolfson, Holon (12)[07/02]. **THE NETHERLANDS:** Atrium, Heerlen (6) [07/01]; Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht (5) [06/02]. **GERMANY:** Klinikum Nurnburg Sud (15) [10/02].



Keep up the Good Work!

Quote of the Month:

"The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

- Nelson Mandela