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**OVERALL TOTAL: 431**  
**TOTAL THIS MONTH: 37**

**We are thrilled to announce the highest monthly recruitment total to date!** We are also very happy to report 48 recruiting centres and a total of 66 active centres in 20 countries worldwide. Thank you for all your tremendous support and keep up the great work!

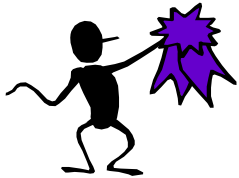
## Welcome to TBS!

We would like to welcome Dr Jodie Dodd from Women's & Children's in *Adelaide*, Australia; Dr Laudelino Lopes from Laranjeiras Clinica Perinatal in *Rio de Janeiro*, Brazil; Dr Renato Moreira de Sa from Maternidade Escola – UFRJ in *Rio de Janeiro*, Brazil; Dr Uwe Hasbargen from Ludwig Maximilians University in *Munich*, Germany; and Dr Patricia I Carney and Dr Anthony Gregg from University of South Carolina in *Columbia*, USA. Congratulations on obtaining local ethics approval! We look forward to working with you.



## Recruitment Excellence!

This month, congratulations go to Dr José Guilherme Cecatti and the team at University of Campinas in *Campinas*, Brazil; Dr Steven Kaye and the team at Lion's Gate in *Vancouver*, Canada; Dr Raed Salim and the team at Haemek in *Afula*, Israel; Dr Fran Smits and the team at Academisch Ziekenhuis in *Maastricht*, The Netherlands; and Dr Sjaak Alleman and the team at Maaslandziekenhuis in *Sittard*, The Netherlands. Congratulations on reaching your annual goal. Keep up the good work! We will be sending a token of our appreciation shortly.



## Meetings

We are pleased to report that our meeting with our Spanish-speaking South American collaborators in Buenos Aires, Argentina went very well! We were excited to see old friends and happy to make new ones. We would like to thank Dr Mario Palermo and the staff at Posadas Hospital for all their tremendous help. We hope you found the meeting as enlightening and enjoyable as we did. Please see the reverse for a list of attendees.



Our final meeting for 2005 will be the meeting in London with our European collaborators which is scheduled for November 11 & 12, 2005. This meeting will be held jointly with the EECV2 trial. Currently, there are over 50 people registered and we are looking forward to meeting everyone!



**Congress Presentation** – A special thanks to Dr Ozren Grgic from Sveti Duh in *Zagreb*, Croatia for presenting the Twin Birth Study at the World Congress of Perinatal Medicine.

## REMINDER

For babies that are the same sex, please remember to send their placentas to pathology to confirm the chorionicity. Under section 2.2, in the protocol, it states: “centres should confirm chorionicity by placental pathology for all same sex twins after delivery so that subgroup analyses can be undertaken for monochorionic and dichorionic twins.”





Twin Birth Study Spanish-Speaking South American  
Collaborators' Meeting  
Buenos Aires, Argentina  
September 23, 2005

**Participant List**

**ARGENTINA:** BAHIA BLANCA: *Hospital Italiano, Regional del Sur*, Augusto Cesar Labrousse; *Hospital Penna*, Marta Susana Bertin, José Luis Castaldi, Carlos Deguer, Milton Klun, Lionel Schulman; BUENOS AIRES: *Durand Hospital*, Carlos Becker; *Honor Tribunal of Argentine Assoc. of Perinatology*, Roberto Isiro Keklikian; *CEFERTIL*, Alejandro Zurell; *Hospital Italiano*, Gustavo Izbizky, Diana Rodriguez, Maria Cristina Vaneri; *Hospital Sarda*, Elsa Andina, Norma Aspres, Maria Natalia Basualdo, Ingrid Di Marco; *Juan A Fernandez*, Jorge Orti; *Posadas*, Dolores Montes Varela, Mario SF Palermo; *Ramos Mejia*, Matias Baso, Armando Dunaievsky, Ricardo Gueglio, Alejandro Hakim, Ricardo Savransky, Guillermina Stevens; CORDOBA: *Hospital Materno Provincial*, Blanca Ortiz de Speranza; CORRIENTES: *Hospital Angela Llano*, Mabel Rivero; *Hospital J.R. Vidal*, Jesus Daniel Aguirre, Sergio Garcia, Elba Mirta Morales; LA PLATA: *Hospital Italiano*, Alfredo Uranga; MENDOZA: *LC Lagomaggiore*, Raquel de Lourdes Martin; SANTA FE: *Hospital J.M. Cullen*, Carlos Alberto Arias; SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO: *Ramon Carrillo*, Raul Abalos Gorostiaga, Jorge Alvarado, Miguel Curioni; TUCUMAN: *Avellaneda*, Mara Mohedano de Duhalde;

**BOLIVIA:** SANTA CRUZ: *Instituto de Salud Reproductiva/UDIME*, Luis Arias Poiz, Desiree Mostajo Flores;

**CHILE:** SANTIAGO: *Hospital Clinico San Borja Arriaran*, Jorge Figueroa, Dagoberto Pizarro Sciaraffia; *Universidad Catolica*, Rosario Moore, Alonso J Rioseco, Claudio Vera; VINA DEL MAR: *Gustavo Fricke*, Luis Leighton, Erika Madariaga Leiva, Monica Molina Ravanal, Juan Guillermo Romo Carrera;

**COLOMBIA:** CALI: *CEMIYA*, Edgar Ivan Ortiz, Adriana Rodriguez;

# Twin Birth Study



# Recruitment

(Projected sample size of 2800 by June 2008)

as of September 30, 2005

Annual Goal	Dec 2003	Jan - Jun 2004	Jul - Dec 2004	Jan - Jun 2005	July 2005	Aug 2005	Sept 2005	Grand Total
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## COUNTRY

COUNTRY	Annual Goal	Dec 2003	Jan - Jun 2004	Jul - Dec 2004	Jan - Jun 2005	July 2005	Aug 2005	Sept 2005	Grand Total
ARGENTINA	22		18	42	36	5	3	6	110
CANADA	73	3	10	15	18	6	8	10	70
ISRAEL	34		6	15	11	3	5	5	45
BRAZIL	18			2	10	5	6	7	30
EGYPT	20		4	15	7			2	28
POLAND	15		1	3	15		4	2	25
CHILE	5		2	6	4	2	1	1	16
AUSTRALIA	19			2	10	2			14
ESTONIA	3			5	6	2	1		14
THE NETHERLANDS	7			7	5			2	14
USA	29			4	6	3			13
BELGIUM	3		4	1	6				11
HUNGARY	4		3	2	4	1		1	11
JORDAN	9		2	3	2				7
ROMANIA	3			2	3	2			7
CROATIA	4		1	3	1			1	6
SPAIN	5			2	3				5
UK	9			2	1				3
GERMANY	2				2				2
<b>Total</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>431</b>

## CENTRES BY COUNTRY

(Shaded area is prior to start-up)

### ARGENTINA

LC Lagomaggiore, Mendoza	12		16	15	17	3	3	3	57
Posadas, Buenos Aires	6		1	21	19	2		3	46
Ramos Mejia, Buenos Aires	4		1	6					7

### CANADA

Sunnybrook & Women's College, Toronto	5	3	7	7	5		3		25
McMaster, Hamilton	5				3	1	2	2	8
Mount Sinai, Toronto	11		1	4	2				7
Lion's Gate, Vancouver	3				4			2	6
Calgary Health Region, Calgary	18			1		3	1	1	6
Royal Columbian, New Westminster	5		2	1	1		1	1	6
Trillium Health Centre, Mississauga	6				1		1	2	4
IWK Health Centre, Halifax	7			1	1	1		1	4
Regina General, Regina	5				1			1	2
General Hospital & HSC, St John's	4					1			1
York Central, Richmond Hill	4			1					1

### ISRAEL

Edith Wolfson, Holon	5		5	6		1	4		16
Bnai Zion, Haifa	8			4	5	1		1	11
Ma'ayne-Hayeshua, Bnei Brak	10		1	4	1	1		1	8
Haemek, Afula	7			1	3			3	7
Poriya Government, Tiberias	4				2		1		3

### BRAZIL

University of Campinas, Campinas	5			2	8	2	1	3	16
University of Pernambuco, Recife	7				2	3	3	3	11
ISCMPA-Maternidade Mário Totta, Porto Alegre	6						2	1	3

### EGYPT

Assiut University, Assiut	20		4	15	7			2	28
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Annual Goal	Dec	Jan - Jun	Jul - Dec	Jan - Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Grand
	2003	2004	2004	2005	2005	2005	2005	Total

#### POLAND

University School of Medical Sciences, Poznan	8			3	14		4	2	23
Polish Mothers Memorial, Lodz	5				1				1
Medical University of Gdansk, Gdansk	2		1						1

#### CHILE

Gustavo Fricke, Vina del Mar	5		2	6	4	2	1	1	16
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#### AUSTRALIA

St George, Sydney	3			2	4	1			7
Toowoomba Base, Toowoomba	2				3				3
Mater Mothers', Brisbane	6				2				2
Townsville, Townsville	3					1			1
Logan, Meadowbrook	5				1				1

#### ESTONIA

Tartu University Clinic, Tartu	3			5	6	2	1		14
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#### THE NETHERLANDS

Atrium Medical Center, Heerlen	3			4	4				8
Academisch Ziekenhuis, Maastricht	2			3				1	4
Maaslandziekenhuis, Sittard	2				1			1	2

#### USA

East Bay Perinatal Medical Associates, Oakland	12				4	3			7
Maricopa, Phoenix	8				2				2
Texas Tech UHSC, Lubbock	4			2					2
Jamaica Hospital Medical Center, Jamaica	5			2					2

#### BELGIUM

Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels	3		4	1	6				11
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#### HUNGARY

University of Debrecen, Debrecen	4		3	2	4	1		1	11
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#### JORDAN

Islamic, Amman	9		2	3	2				7
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#### ROMANIA

Pharmacy and Medicine University, Cluj-Napoca	3			2	3	2			7
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#### CROATIA

Sveti Duh, Zagreb	4		1	3	1			1	6
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#### SPAIN

UB Hospital Clinic, Barcelona	5			2	3				5
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#### UK

Nottingham City, Nottingham	9			2	1				3
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#### GERMANY

Free University of Berlin, Berlin	2				2				2
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Centres awaiting first patient: [COUNTRY: Hospital, City (annual goal)] [month/year start-up package sent]

**ARGENTINA:** Avellaneda, *Tucuman* (6) [08/05]; **AUSTRALIA:** Women's & Children's, *Adelaide* (6) [09/05], Royal Women's, *Carlton* (8) [07/04], Monash, *Clayton* (4) [04/05]; **BRAZIL:** Laranjeiras Clinica Perinatal, *Rio de Janeiro* (8) [09/05], Maternidade Escola – UFRJ, *Rio de Janeiro* (6) [09/05]; **CANADA:** Ottawa - General Division, *Ottawa* (6) [12/04], Royal University, *Saskatoon* (6) [06/04], Toronto East General, *Toronto* (5) [05/05]; **CHILE:** Sotero del Río, *Puente Alto* (11) [09/04], Universidad Catolica, *Santiago* (3) [11/04]; **DENMARK:** Aarhus University, *Aarhus* (8) [01/05]; **GERMANY:** Ludwig Maximilians Univ, *Munich* (2) [09/05]; **SINGAPORE:** KKH, *Singapore* (23) [08/04]; **THE NETHERLANDS:** Sint Lucas Andreas Ziekenhuis, *Amsterdam* (2) [04/05]; **UK:** Lewisham, *London* (5) [02/05], Bradford Royal Infirmary, *Bradford* (8) [04/05]; **USA:** University of South Carolina, *Columbia* (4) [09/05]