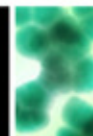


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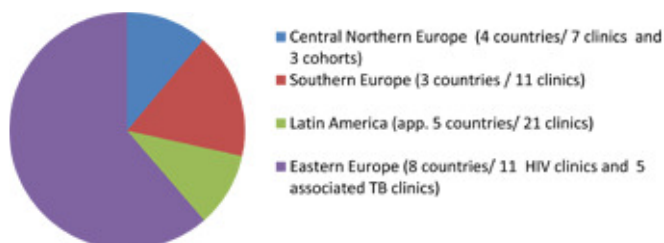
The prospective phase of TB:HIV study has received funding from the European Commission Framework Package 7 (FP7), EuroCoord application work package 13 and was initiated from January 1st 2011

15 European countries agreed to participate (as listed on the right). We thank all investigators for their willingness to participate and contribute to the study!

The study is expanding to **Latin America** with a coordinating site in Buenos Aires, Argentina (as indicated on the right)

Based on your feedback, the estimated number of patients is app. 60% higher than was originally defined by the protocol. This is very reassuring for the study's success. The distribution of patients by region is shown on Figure 1.

Figure 1



Study Binders containing all study documents were sent to all sites in May 2011. Please contact CHIP if you haven't received the Study Binder or in case you have any questions regarding the content

Currently the most important milestones are:

- **Ethics approvals** for all sites should be obtained
- **Enrolment forms** for all HIV patients diagnosed with TB during January – June 2011 should be submitted to CHIP by the **end of August 2011**

Many sites have already obtained study approval from their local Ethics Committees (see figure 2). Thank you very much for your hard work on moving the study forward. We would kindly ask the remaining sites to complete this process.

PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AND CITIES

Central Northern Europe:

Denmark (Danish HIV Cohort)
France (Aquitaine Cohort)
Switzerland (Swiss HIV Cohort)
United Kingdom:

- Manchester
- London (4 clinics)
- Sheffield
- Leicester

Southern Europe:

Greece:

- Athens

Italy:

- Bari
- Brescia
- Genova
- Monza
- Palermo
- Rome
- Sanremo

Spain:

- Barcelona (5 clinics)
- Madrid
- San Sebastián

Latin America:

Argentina:

- Buenos Aires (11 clinics)

Brazil

Chile

Mexico

Peru

Eastern Europe

Belarus:

- Gomel
- Minsk
- Svetlogorsk

Estonia

- Ida-Viru county

Latvia:

- Riga

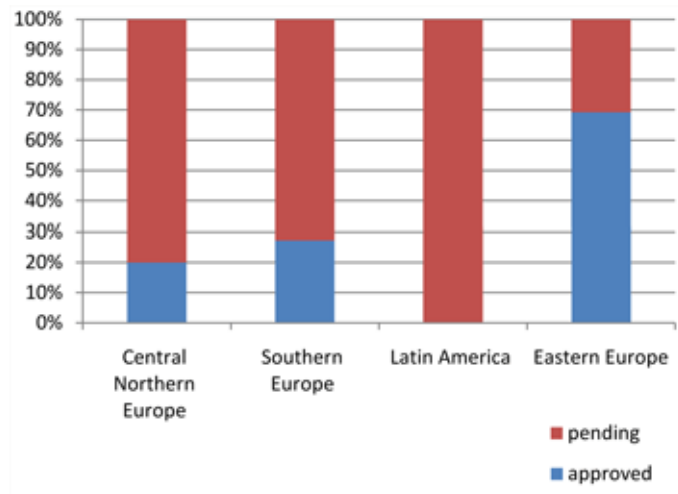
Lithuania:

- Vilnius

Poland:

- Bialystok

Figure 2



The study will collect Mycobacteria samples for further central resistance testing and genotyping. All samples will be shipped to CHIP simultaneously once per year. Therefore please ensure agreement with your laboratory to store all positive samples until further instructions. You will be reimbursed 30 euro for each sample and all shipment costs will be covered by CHIP. Please contact CHIP (hivtb@cphiv.dk) for details regarding sample

- Warsaw
- Wroclaw
- Romania:
 - Bucharest
- Russia:
 - Novgorod the Great
 - St. Petersburg
- Ukraine:
 - Kharkov

ANNOUNCEMENT:

There will be an TB:HIV Study Investigators meeting during 13th EACS Conference in Belgrade, Serbia. Please save the date: Friday 14th October 2011 at 16:0

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