

	JDM trial	Eurofever	JIA MAS
Albania		1	
Argentina	15	24	35
Australia		10	
Belgium	6	13	
Bosnia			2
Brazil	13	5	28
Canada			19
Chile		1	
China			20
Croatia		8	6
Czech	2	44	
Denmark	2	113	6
France	26	233	29
Georgia		9	6
Germany	4	177	13
Greece	2	30	2
Hungary		2	
India		3	23
Israel	1	142	8
Italy	34	443	341
Japan			2
Kuwait			
Latvia	1	2	46
Libya		1	37
Lithuania		1	
Mexico	6		
Netherlands	4	75	8
Norway	2		
Oman		4	
Poland			
Romania		13	
Russia		20	15
Saudi Arabia		34	2
Serbia	1	3	6
Slovakia	2	1	
Slovenia	4	9	14
Spain		83	28
Sweden	6		
Switzerland		57	1
Turkey		149	129
Un. Kingdom	2	260	
USA	1		78
Venezuela	5		8
Total	139	1970	912

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PReS Congress 2011 Bruges, Belgium

Saturday, September 17, 2011 at **12.45-13.30**

Room Ambassadeur, Out Sint-Jan
Pharmachild Project Meeting (N. Wulffraat)

Saturday, September 17, 2011 at **13.30-15.00**

Concert Hall

Agenda for the annual PRINTO workshop

- Introduction (A. Martini)
- Update on PRINTO Projects (N. Ruperto)
- The PharmaChild Project (N. Wulffraat)
- The PRES EuroFever project (M. Gattorno)
- The EPOCA and MAS study (A. Ravelli)

New onset JDM trial:

- prednisone (PDN) versus
- PDN plus Cyclosporine A versus
- PDN plus methotrexate.

The enrollment of the trial is now closed with 139 patients recruited from 55 centres in 23 countries (see table next page). The analysis is planned to begin in January 2012 upon receiving data of one year of follow-up from every patient. Payment to sites will start next year when the database is closed. **No major safety concern identified since last year.**

The PharmaChild Project: This project has the aim to create a registry of the potential serious adverse events in JIA patients treated with biologics and/or MTX on a long-term period.

The project financed by the European Union (PI Dr N. Wulffraat) officially started in April 2011.

A first communication regarding EC submission has been spread to all the PRINTO members.

Doctors willing to participate to this project should

complete a simple questionnaire at the following link

<https://www.printo.it/Pharmachild/investigator/> by logging in with the personal log-in data received by PRINTO through a separate e-mail.

The PRES Eurofever project. The PReS Autoinflammatory Diseases' Working Group financed by the EU (PI Dr M. Gattorno), is fully enrolling. Data can be collected on line at www.printo.it logging in the "member area". A total of 1970 patients (see table) have been enrolled (+120% with respect to last year). Thanks to a grant support from PRINTO Advisory Council and a liberal contribution from a pharmaceutical company, participating centres will receive 50 € for each complete patient with a rare monogenic disease and 25 € with a more common autoinflammatory disease enrolled.

The EPOCA study. EPidemiology, treatment and Outcome of Childhood Arthritis: the study is aimed at photographing the current status of children with JIA across continents and countries. Participating centres are asked firstly to translate and cross-culturally validate the parent and child versions of the Juvenile Arthritis Multidimensional Assessment Report (JAMAR) and secondly to assess 100 consecutive JIA patients and healthy controls. The national language translations of the JAMAR will be published in a supplement of Clinical and Experimental Rheumatology.

The aim of this study is twofold:

- 1) to foster regular use of parent/patient-reported outcomes in paediatric

rheumatology practice;

2) to obtain information about the frequency of ILAR categories, treatment modalities, and current outcome of JIA around the world.

Already 35 countries of the PRINTO network have almost completed the translation of the JAMAR into their national languages. The data collection phase will start in the fall through a dedicated web database on the PRINTO member area.

The MAS criteria study. The second phase of the project, which is aimed to collect data from patients with MAS and control patients, in ongoing. Data collection refers to the following 3 groups of patients:

1. Patients with systemic JIA who had an episode of MAS, diagnosed and treated as such by the attending physician, and were seen from January 2002 to date;
2. An approximately equal number of instances of active disease (in the absence of MAS) in children with systemic JIA seen in the same period;
3. An approximately equal number of children with an acute febrile infection, admitted to the hospital (inclusion of these patients is optional).

A total of 223 patients from group 1, 368 from group 2 and 321 from group 3 have been enrolled via the PRINTO database system.

We foresee to close the enrollment at the end of September.

Membership: 747 effective members (20% increase) in 405 centres (25% increase) from 77 countries.

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