

Dear Investigators, we thank you all for your support and collaboration.
We are pleased to give you the latest news about the POSE Study!

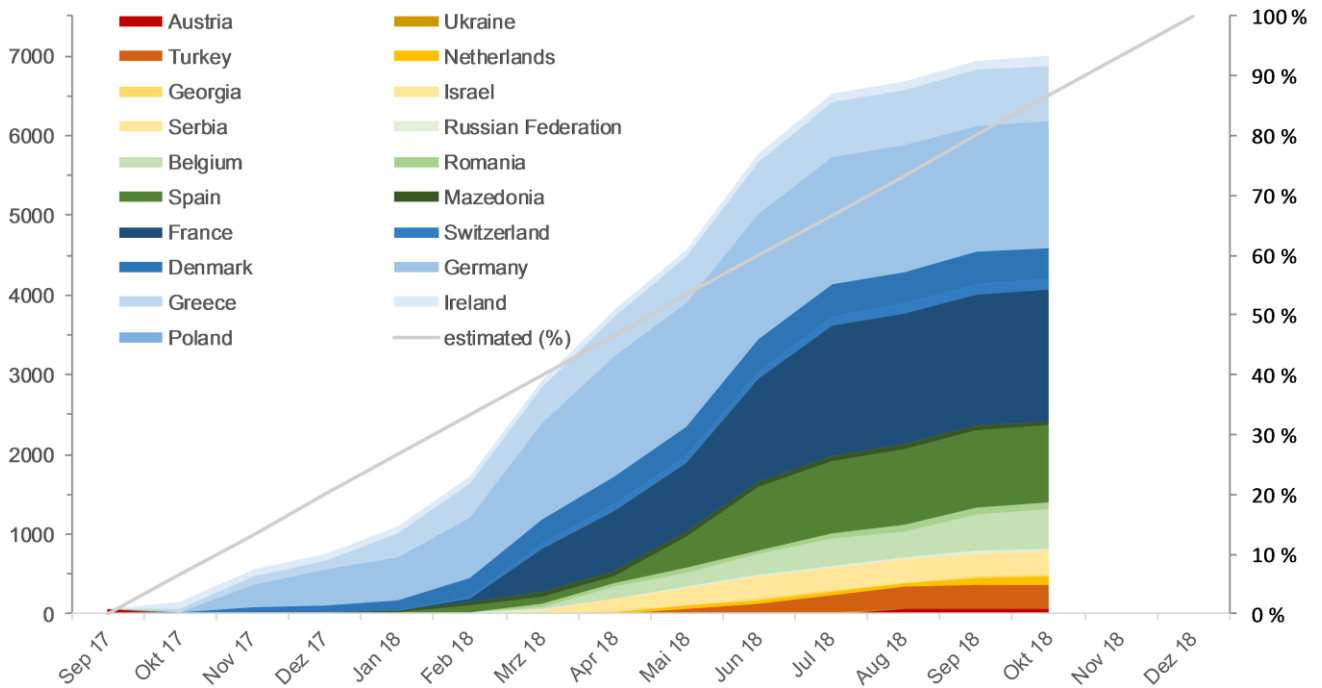
Highlights

- Until 8th October 6995/7500 (93,3%) patients were documented in 125 centres!
- We will not stop at 7500 patients. Our aim is to recruit as many patients as possible. The more the better.
- **Recruitment ends 31st December 2018. Please make sure you do not miss the recruitment phase!! Last possible start date is 2nd December 2018.**
- 55 centres have not reported ethical approval yet. Please let us know, if we can be of help.
- 27 centres, which fulfil all requirements for recruitment, haven't entered any data in OpenClinica. Please do not hesitate to contact us in case of difficulties.
- All centres located in the EU, please read the important notices concerning the **New General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)** on our website under Ethics or Study documents.
- Data clearance has already started.
- POSE-Investigator meetings were successfully held within the German anaesthesia congress in Berlin on 20th September and the Greek anaesthesia congress in Thessaloniki on 22th September. Thanks to all participants of the meetings!

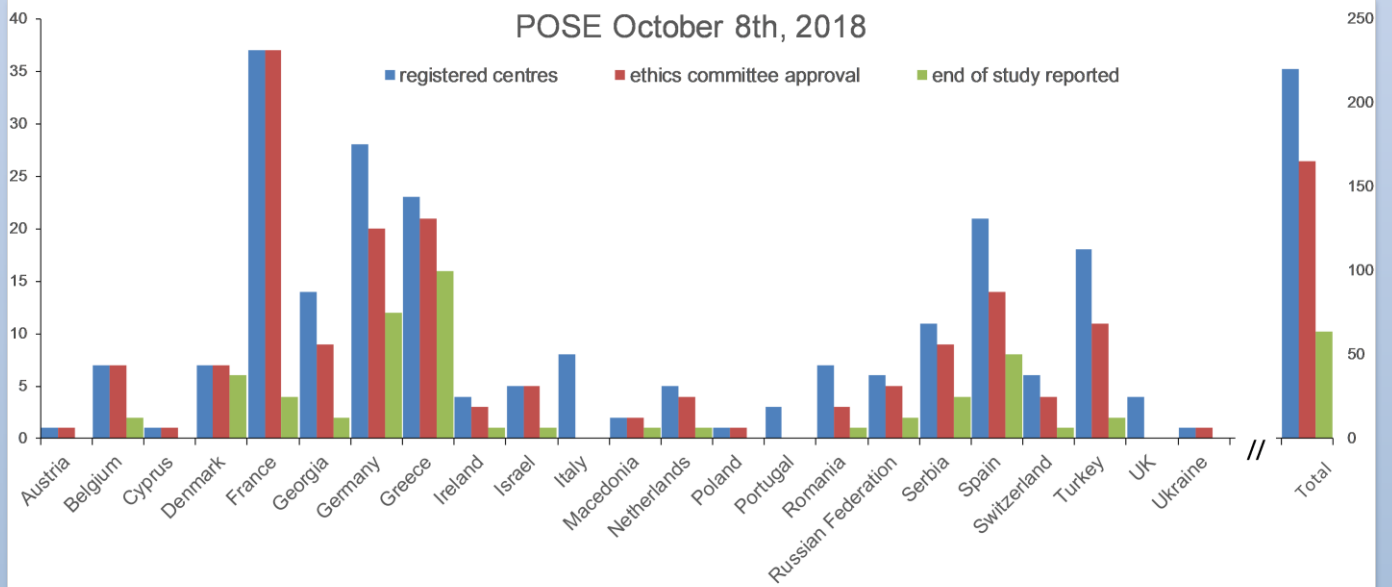
Top 10 recruiters according to the OpenClinica database entries until 8th October

	Site	Country	Enrolled patients
1.	Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau Barcelona	Spain	230
2.	LMU München	Germany	200
3.	CHU Toulouse	France	186
4.	Clinique de la Sauvegarde Lyon	France	177
5.	Hannover Medical School	Germany	167
6.	AZ Groeninge Hospital Kortrijk	Belgium	163
7.	Herlev Hospital	Denmark	147
8.	Hospital General Gregorio Maranon Madrid	Spain	146
9.	University Hospitals Leuven	Belgium	143
10.	Universitätsklinikum Schleswig-Holstein Campus Lübeck	Germany	141

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Important notices:

New General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

- Became applicable on 25th May 2018 for all centres participating in POSE from the EU!
- Considering the updated data protection rights provided for patients in the GDPR, future patient information sheets and consent forms must be adapted to the requirements of the GDPR.

Classification of interventions as "Emergency case"

- If the question "Emergency case?" YES/NO in Visit 1 is ticked with YES, it has to be specified in Visit 2 in the question: "Urgency of surgery/intervention:" into
 - a) **Urgent** (that means: Intervention required within < 48 hrs) or
 - b) **Emergency** (that means: the patient's life or well-being is in direct jeopardy)
- That means: An intervention may be classified as Emergency case-YES in Visit 1 and only urgent in Visit 2!

Please read and use the eCRF User Guide and the POSE Glossary from our website www.pose-trial.org => Tab: E-CRF (Electronic Case Report Form), for completion of the OpenClinica database. Particularly the subsection 10 a) in the eCRF user guide explains how to change your data after the CRF has already been marked as complete (green icon in the subject matrix)

Further tips for OpenClinica completion

- Visit 1: If you tick any "Chronic Medication", please make sure that you have also ticked any corresponding disease within the sections "Risk assessment" and/or "Medical History"
- If a patient takes "Antidepressants" or "Benzodiazepines" or "Z-drugs" due to e.g. a depression or an anxiety disorder, please make sure that you have ticked "Other cognitive complaints" and please specify it in the new opening field for free text.

Best wishes

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