



## Recruiter of the Month



With 35 new patient cases uploaded this month, we are happy to congratulate Dr Rosario Menendez from Valencia, as the highest recruiter in November.

**Well done and keep up the great work!**



November 2015

## Another Recruitment Target Smashed!



With a goal to enroll 20 actively recruiting countries before April 2016, we are more than happy to welcome Dr Doboszynska from Poland, Dr Minov from Macedonia and both Dr Hatashe and Ms Thomas from Wales who have all recruited their first patients from their respective countries this month.

Due to the continued commitment across Europe and beyond, we are excited to announce EMBARC have now received good quality data from bronchiectasis patients from 20 countries - smashing yet another of our targets!

## Bronchiectasis in the News

Bronchiectasis, dubbed as the Dickensian Lung Disease, highlighted in UK news this month after increased number of diagnoses and reports of death rates from the disease showing to be twice as high as those from the general population. The full article can be found [here](#)

The Lancet published an article reviewing the trials and tribulations of Bronchiectasis research developments during 2015 in this month's journal of respiratory medicine. The [article](#) summarises the need for continued effort for further research and reiterates the need for large programmes such as the iABC Consortium.

## Become a Bronchi-Expert!

In early 2015, the European Lung Foundation conducted a survey of 1000 bronchiectasis patients to ask their most important priorities for improving bronchiectasis care. A staggering 96% of respondents rated "improve awareness of bronchiectasis in community care services" as "important" or "very important" and 90% of patients wanted better education for primary care physicians on how to manage bronchiectasis exacerbations.

Following on from this, EMBARC are excited to announce a new educational programme where an online course has been developed by world leading bronchiectasis experts. Bronchi-Expert will be available to young physicians, specialist nurses and physiotherapists from 2016. For more information please [visit](#)



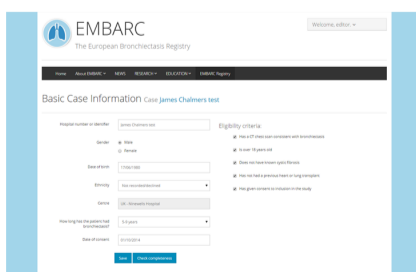
## Long Term Fellowships - Apply Now!



EMBARC seeks to encourage and support applications to the Long-Term Research Fellowships (LTRF) programme. The ERS provides fellowships to support young researchers with travel to centres in Europe for the purposes of conducting scientific research and training.

EMBARC can support potential applicants in a number of ways - from introducing you to a group of world leading potential supervisors and centres, to proposing potential projects and providing data through the European Bronchiectasis Registry and associated biobanks. For potential enquiries, please contact [info@bronchiectasis.eu](mailto:info@bronchiectasis.eu). Please encourage your fellows and colleagues to consider applying to this important scheme. More information is available [here](#).

## Helpful CRF Notes and Reminders



- 'Date of Visit' has been updated to clarify this is the 'Date of Consent'.
- Do not use Patient Identifiable Data (PID) when creating case identifiers, and only use basic numbers and/or lettering. Please do not use special characters.
- Please do not create reviews for cases until a notification request has been received (Reviews are due 9-15 months after previous data input). We cannot pay you for data uploaded outside this time frame.

**Thank you for your ongoing continued support!!**

**Please do not forget to submit your signed Data Sharing Agreement to the EMBARC team. Without this we cannot pay you for your hard work!!**