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**1. News**

**Revision of the ICMJE statement:** the ICMJE have revised their statement on trial registration; accepting trials registered on any WHO primary register, adopting the WHO definition of a clinical trial, and addressing the issue of results posting and prior publication. The new statement (as well as all previous versions) can be viewed on the ICMJE web site (<http://www.icmje.org>).

**Dutch Register Reaches Milestone:** Congratulations to the Netherlands Trial Register who have registered their 1,000<sup>th</sup> trial.

**Clinical Trial Register in Germany:** The German Ministry of Research and Education have made a commitment to fund the development of a national clinical trials register in Germany. The registry (to be known as the Deutsches Register Klinischer Studien, or the German Register of Clinical Trials) will be based in the Medical Faculty of the Freiburg University. The project leaders are Gerd Antes and Gabriele Dreier and development will begin in August 2007.

**Clinical trial registration and results reporting in the USA:** Those interested in the progress of the proposed amendment to the US Public Health Service Act relating to clinical trial registration and results reporting can read the Bill by going to: [http://energycommerce.house.gov/cmte\\_mtgs/FC062107MU/CLINICAL-TRIALS\\_004\\_xml.pdf](http://energycommerce.house.gov/cmte_mtgs/FC062107MU/CLINICAL-TRIALS_004_xml.pdf)

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**2. The WHO Search Portal Update**

A more advanced search function is expected to be available by August 2007.

Data from newly registered trials, and changes made to previously registered trials, are imported from the Primary Registers each Tuesday. Users can see the date data was last imported for each register in the shaded "Data Sources" box on the main page of the portal.

Users should be aware that no attempt is made to identify and tag trials that may have been registered on more than one register. Potential mechanisms for addressing this challenge are being explored.

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### **3. Contact Us**

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