DATA MANAGEMENT NEWS

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EBMT Registry is going paper free

Below is a reminder of the announcement from the **EBMT Board** that was sent to Principal Investigators in July, together with an online survey to establish the best way to support centres :

For 42 years EBMT has provided support to centers entering data, however, the EBMT Board is now taking steps to go paper free in 2017. This means that data entry of standard paper forms - MED-A, MED-B and Follow Up - will no longer be offered by EBMT.

Most EBMT centres have already moved from paper to on-line data entry but 10% of centers remain dependent upon the Registry in London to enter their data manually.

By moving to the paper free data entry we not only expect to increase the quality of our database, but also expect a more effective process in your center, as experienced also by many other centers across Europe. Finally we commit ourselves as EBMT to be friendly to our environment.

The EBMT has agreed to:

- allocate a budget for a data entry training course in a central European city

- continue to organise the data entry training course during the EBMT annual meeting in Marseille

- provide on-line training tools and maintain the helpdesk support

Upgrading the registry system in 2020 has become crucial to undertake new projects and the new Registry aims to be a more user-friendly tool by:

· integrating data quality

· increasing the efficiency of data collection and retrieval

· developing a collaborative tool that can be used by other partners.

In addition to this criteria, the EBMT must extend the Registry to cellular therapy products and link clinical data to bio banking for a defined subset of patients arising from defined EBMT activities.

MED-A form update

As requested by many data managers, MED-A forms separated by diagnosis and graft type are in the process of being made available online

Launch of ProMISe 4

As you may have read on the ProMISe logon page, the upgrade to ProMISe version 4 will take place on the 5-7th November 2016. The main feature of ProMISe 4 will be to start becoming compatible with other browsers (e.g. Chrome, Firefox) in addition to Internet Explorer.

On Saturday Nov 5th all servers go down in the evening. The servers will be closed on Sunday 6th and part of Monday 7th for upgrade. **ProMISe 4** is expected to be available on **Monday 7th November** (exact time TBC). For updated info please visit the ProMISe logon page.

Internet Explorer versions

We have been notifying users who are still on IE8 to try to get their browser upgraded urgently. Support is already limited for IE8 and by the end of this year it will become obsolete. Users should upgrade to at least IE9 but preferably IE11.

Register your interest for ProMISe training in Paris

Following the results of the paper free survey, we are planning to hold an additional ProMISe data entry training session (**MED-A** and **HLA**) in Paris in January 2017. Training will be in English and all centres welcome, with free registration. This will be separate to the ProMISe data entry sessions during EBMT 2017 in Marseille, so we would be grateful if could choose one or the other so that we can extend training opportunities to as many centres as possible.

If you would like to register your interest for the training in Paris please email registryhelpdesk@ebmt.org with your CIC code, number of trainees and their email addresses.

EBMT 2017

EBMT 2017 will be the 16th Meeting of the Data Management Group and we look forward to welcoming you in **Marseille** in March. Programme and Registration info can be found on the congress web page: www.ebmt2017.org.

We will give more details on the **Education** sessions in a future newsletter. Full info on **ProMISe training** at the congress is available here. Please register in advance for ProMISe sessions at the same link.