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EUROPEAN RESEARCH PROJECTS AND HEALTH INEQUALITIES - IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF EUROPEAN CITIZENS

One of the main objectives of the Health Theme under the 7th Framework Programme for Research aims at putting the citizen first where research on health care is concerned, contributing to building the necessary basis for informed policy decisions. This activity entitled: "*Optimising the delivery of health care to European citizens*" endeavours to bring the results of health research to the benefit of European citizens in particular through benchmarking, comparisons, and analysis of models, systems and data, from clinical outcomes to clinical and health care practice, through health system research, inequalities, disease prevention and health promotion research. Furthermore this activity is compatible with the principles of the new EU Health Strategy, "*Together for Health: A Strategic Approach for the EU 2008-2013*".

The 3rd activity "*Optimising the delivery of health care to European citizens*" is made up of three sub-areas, focusing on a) the translational of clinical research outcomes into clinical practice, b) health systems research and c) health promotion and diseases prevention. The FP7 Health Theme also foresees a mandate for research serving EC policy needs and international scientific cooperation, the latter set in the context of the Millennium Development Goals. This area of international public health and health systems includes: health policy research, health systems and healthcare service research, maternal and child health, reproductive health, control and surveillance of neglected communicable diseases.

To-date there are 81 projects supported under the 3rd activity, EC policy needs and international scientific cooperation mandates, representing some 200 million € in EC financial support, the majority of which are just beginning or under negotiation following the outcome of calls for research proposals in 2007, 2008 and 2009. A selection of these projects with relevance to the health inequalities debate is given below. Details of all projects can be consulted on CORDIS once grant agreements have been completed (http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/health/home_en.html).

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OPTIMISING THE DELIVERY OF HEALTHCARE TO EUROPEAN CITIZENS

ACRONYM	TITLE
AAA-PREVENT	Effective Environmental Strategies for the Prevention of Alcohol Abuse among Adolescents in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 1.6 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
ABC	Ascertaining Barriers for Compliance: policies for safe, effective and cost-effective use of medicines in Europe EC Contribution: 2 235 023 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009
AMPHORA	Alcohol Measures for Public Health Research Alliance EC Contribution: 2 996 687 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009
ANCIEN	Assessing Needs of Care In European Nations EC Contribution: 2 712 777 € Duration: 3 years and 8 months, starting on 1/01/2009
APRES	The appropriateness of prescribing antibiotics in primary health care in Europe with respect to antibiotic resistance EC Contribution: 2 809 511 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/10/2009
ATOME	Access to Opioid Medication in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 2.45 million € Duration: 5 years (under negotiation)
BECAN	Balkan Epidemiological Study on Child Abuse and Neglect EC Contribution: 2 323 346 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/10/2009
CAMbrella	CAMbrella – A pan-European research network for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) EC Contribution: approx. 1.5 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
CEDAR	Clinical decision making and outcome in routine care for people with severe mental illness EC Contribution: 1 763 856 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009

CHANCES	Consortium of Longitudinal Studies of Ageing and Health EC Contribution: approx. 11.93 million € Duration: 5 years (under negotiation)
CHICOS	Developing a Child Cohort Research Strategy for Europe EC Contribution: approx. 1.49 million € Duration: 2 years (under negotiation)
COPING	Children of Prisoners, Interventions & Mitigations to Strengthen Mental Health EC Contribution: approx. 2.86 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
COURAGE in Europe	COURAGE in Europe - Collaborative Research on AGEing in Europe EC Contribution: 2 999 992 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/05/2009
DUQuE	Deepening our understanding of quality improvement in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 3 million € Duration: 3 years and 3 months (under negotiation)
ECHO	European Collaboration for Healthcare Optimization EC Contribution: approx. 2.75 million € Duration: 3 years and 6 months (under negotiation)
ECHOUTCOME	European Consortium in Healthcare Outcomes and cost-benefit research EC Contribution: 1.06 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
EIS	Development of a European Implementation Score for measuring implementation of research into healthcare practice using vascular disease as an example EC Contribution: 2 767 922 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/04/2009
ENERGY	EuropeAN Energy balance Research to prevent excessive weight Gain among Youth: Theory and evidence-based development and validation of an intervention scheme to promote healthy nutrition and physical EC Contribution: 2 872 588 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/02/2009
Euprimecare	Quality and costs of primary care in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 2.35 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)

EuroHOPE	EuroHOPE – European Health Care Outcomes, Performance and Efficiency EC Contribution: approx. 3 million € Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)
EURO-URHIS 2	European Urban Health Indicators Part Two: Using indicators to inform policy EC Contribution: 2 915 121 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009
FUTURAGE	A Roadmap for Ageing Research EC Contribution: 1 751 791 € Duration: 2 years starting on 1/09/2009
GRADIENT	Tackling the Gradient: Applying Public Health Policies to Effectively Reduce Health Inequalities amongst Families and Children EC Contribution: 1 881 257 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009
Homecare	Clinical Continuity by Integrated Care EC Contribution: 2 159 991 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009
INTERLINKS	Health systems and long-term care for older people in Europe – Modelling the INTERfaces and LINKS between prevention, rehabilitation, quality of services and informal care EC Contribution: 2 985 919 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/11/2008
MANAGED OUTCOMES	Operations management and demand-based approaches to healthcare outcomes and cost-benefits research EC Contribution: approx. 3 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
MentDis_ICF65+	Prevalence, 1-year incidence and symptom severity of mental disorders in the elderly: Relationship to impairment, functioning (ICF) and service utilisation EC Contribution: 2 997 684 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/10/2008
ORCAB	Improving quality and safety in the hospital: the link between organisational culture, burnout, and quality of care EC Contribution: 1.91 million € Duration: 4 years and 7 months (under negotiation)

OSPI-Europe	Optimizing suicide prevention programs and their implementation in Europe EC Contribution: 2 991 727 € Duration: 4 years starting 1/10/2008
OTC SOCIOMED	Assessing the over-the-counter medications in primary care and translating the theory of planned behaviour into interventions EC Contribution: approx. 0.97 € Duration: 2 years (under negotiation)
PAIN-OUT	Improvement in Postoperative PAIN OUTcome EC Contribution: 2 912 325 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009
PAPA	Promoting Adolescent health through an intervention aimed at improving the quality of their participation in Physical Activity EC Contribution: 2 980 680 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/04/2009
PPACTE	Pricing Policies and Control of Tobacco in Europe EC Contribution: 2 991 656 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/02/2009
QUALICOPC	Quality and costs of primary care in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 2.47 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
RICHE	RICHE – a platform and inventory for child health research in Europe EC Contribution: approx. 1.5 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
RightTimePlaceCare	Improving health services for European citizens with dementia: Development of best practice strategies for the transition from ambulatory to institutional long-term care facilities EC Contribution: approx. 2.98 million € Duration: 3 years and 6 months (under negotiation)
SHELTER	Services and Health for Elderly in Long TERM care EC Contribution: 2 350 758 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009
SAGhE	Safety and Appropriateness of Growth hormone treatments in Europe EC Contribution: 2 989 154 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/06/2009

SEYLE	Saving and empowering young lives in Europe EC Contribution: 2 983 941 € Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009
TEMPEST	Temptations to Eat Moderated by Personal and Environmental Self-regulation Tools EC Contribution: 2 404 118 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/02/2009
WE-STAY	Work Together to Stop Truancy Among Youth EC Contribution: approx. 3 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH & HEALTH SYSTEMS

ACRONYM	TITLE
AMASA	Accessing Medicines in Africa and South Asia EC Contribution: approx. 3 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
ATP	Access to Pharmaceuticals EC Contribution: approx. 1.75 million € Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)
CBHI India	Developing efficient and responsive community based micro health insurance in India EC Contribution: 2 999 997 € Duration: 5 years starting on 1/07/2009
CERCA	Community-embedded Reproductive health Care for Adolescents EC Contribution: approx. 2.89 million € Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)
EquitAble	Enabling universal and equitable access to healthcare for vulnerable people in poor resource settings EC Contribution: 2 654 943 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/03/2009
Equity-LA	Impact on equity of access and efficiency of Integrated Health care Networks (IHN) in Colombia and Brazil EC Contribution: 1 722 053 € Duration: 4 years starting on 1/03/2009

HEFPA**Health Equity and Financial Protection in Asia**

EC Contribution: approx. 2 885 767 €

Duration: 4 years starting on 1/06/2009

IntHEC**Health Education and Community Integration:
Evidence based Strategies to increase equity,
integration and effectiveness of reproductive health
services for poor communities in Sub Saharan Africa**

EC Contribution: approx. 2.27 million €

Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)

MEDCHAMPS**MEDiterranean studies of Cardiovascular disease and
Hyperglycaemia: Analytical Modelling of Population
Socio-economic transitions**

EC Contribution: 2 703 358 €

Duration: 3 years and 6 months starting on 1/03/2009

PREPARE**Promoting sexual- and reproductive health among
adolescents in southern and eastern Africa –
mobilising parents, schools, and communities**

EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €

Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)