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The new version of the public portal

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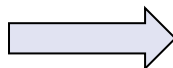


Article 81(4) of Regulation (EU) No. 536/2014: legal basis for the establishment a publicly accessible EU clinical trials database, while protecting commercially confidential information (CCI), personal data (PD) and confidential information on the assessment conducted by MSs

The CTIS publication rules recently underwent a simplification process, as a result of a public consultation conducted in 2023

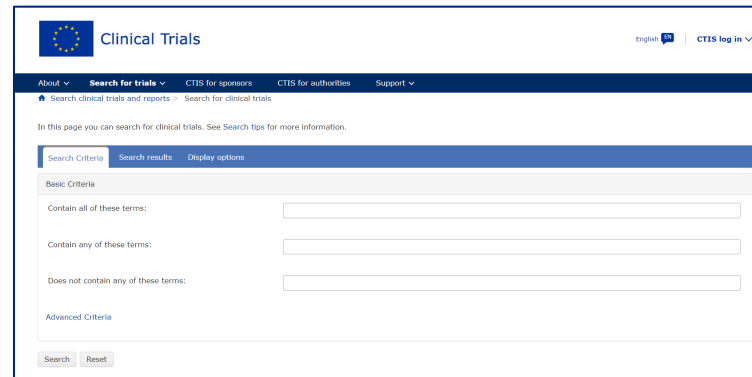
The [Revised transparency rules](#) now foresee an **earlier** publication of **key** documents of interest, which brings the following benefits:

- Increases the public engagement and trust
- Allows a faster preparation of application dossier by sponsors (including SMEs and Academia)



- ✓ Patients and HCPs can access key data and documents as early as possible in the clinical trial lifecycle
- ✓ Increased awareness on possible treatment options
- ✓ Clinical trial information is easier to find and to consult
- ✓ Simplified publication rules reduced the burden to CTIS users and help to promote conduct of clinical research in the EU

- The Revised [CTIS transparency rules](#) became applicable on 18 June 2024 with the launch of a new version of [CTIS public portal](#)
- Applications submitted as of 18 June follow the revised rules. For those submitted before, only structured data were published ('historical' trials)
- **Over 7,300 trials are public**, of which over **3,600 with documents**. Overall, more than 99,800 documents are now publicly available



Reference documents: [Quick guide for users](#)

All materials published on [“Transparency in CTIS” - ACT EU website](#)

Information you can view on each clinical trial includes:

- Trial identifiers (EU CT number, protocol code, title, etc.)
- Therapeutic intent, objectives, endpoints and trial design
- Participants inclusion and exclusion criteria
- Trial locations and contact details of principal investigator
- Sponsor(s) contact information
- Start and end dates and recruitment timelines
- Safety notifications and corrective measures

You can also view the following trial **documents**:

- Protocol and protocol synopsis
- Summary of the products characteristics, when applicable
- Recruitment arrangements, subject information and informed consent form
- Summary of results, layperson summary and Clinical Study Report, when posted



"The website should be **more patient-friendly and intuitive**, as it seems targeted at industry and authorities rather than patients and the public"

"**A lot of information is there but hidden**", the following is difficult to find:

- Recruitment status for each trial
- Trial title and code and full trial information
- A summary of the intervention and objective of trial
- All inclusion/exclusion criteria
- Information about who to contact to get enrolled
- Documents (e.g. protocol, informed consent form)

The Advanced search should include **search per 'recruitment status'** per Member State

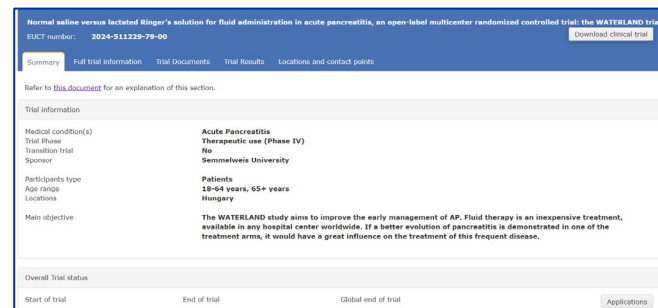
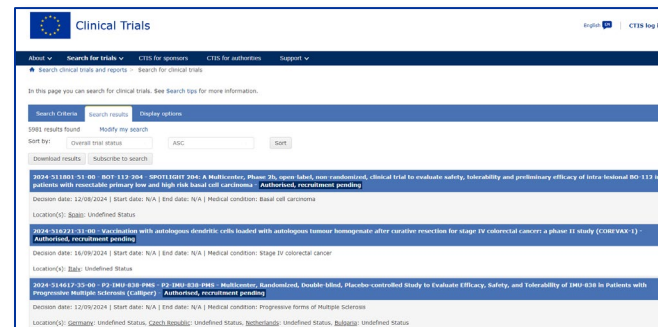
The **search results list** should be more readable, it should be downloadable, and it should be easier to extract information about studies involving children

A **lay language explanation** of each field should be provided, as well as webpages with an explanation of the content of the site and how to search

The search function should be thesaurus related and there should be an accessible **API**

Not yet!

- Advanced Search, users can now perform more detailed searches (e.g. CT status per Member State)
- Download specific CT information
- Download results of a performed search (granular information on participants' age is now also included in the 'Display options' and in the 'Download clinical trials' file)
- RSS-feed, users can subscribe to alerts on updates
- Major user interface improvements (clearer list of search results, recruitment status displayed in all sections, ad hoc sections on docs & on locations and contact points, full trial information better displayed, with inclusion/exclusion criteria)
- Each trial section now includes 'explanatory documents' in lay language
- Pages 'what you can search for' and 'search tips and guidance' provide tips to users, including contact points of patient representatives and HCPs





Demo on CTIS public portal



Any questions?

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