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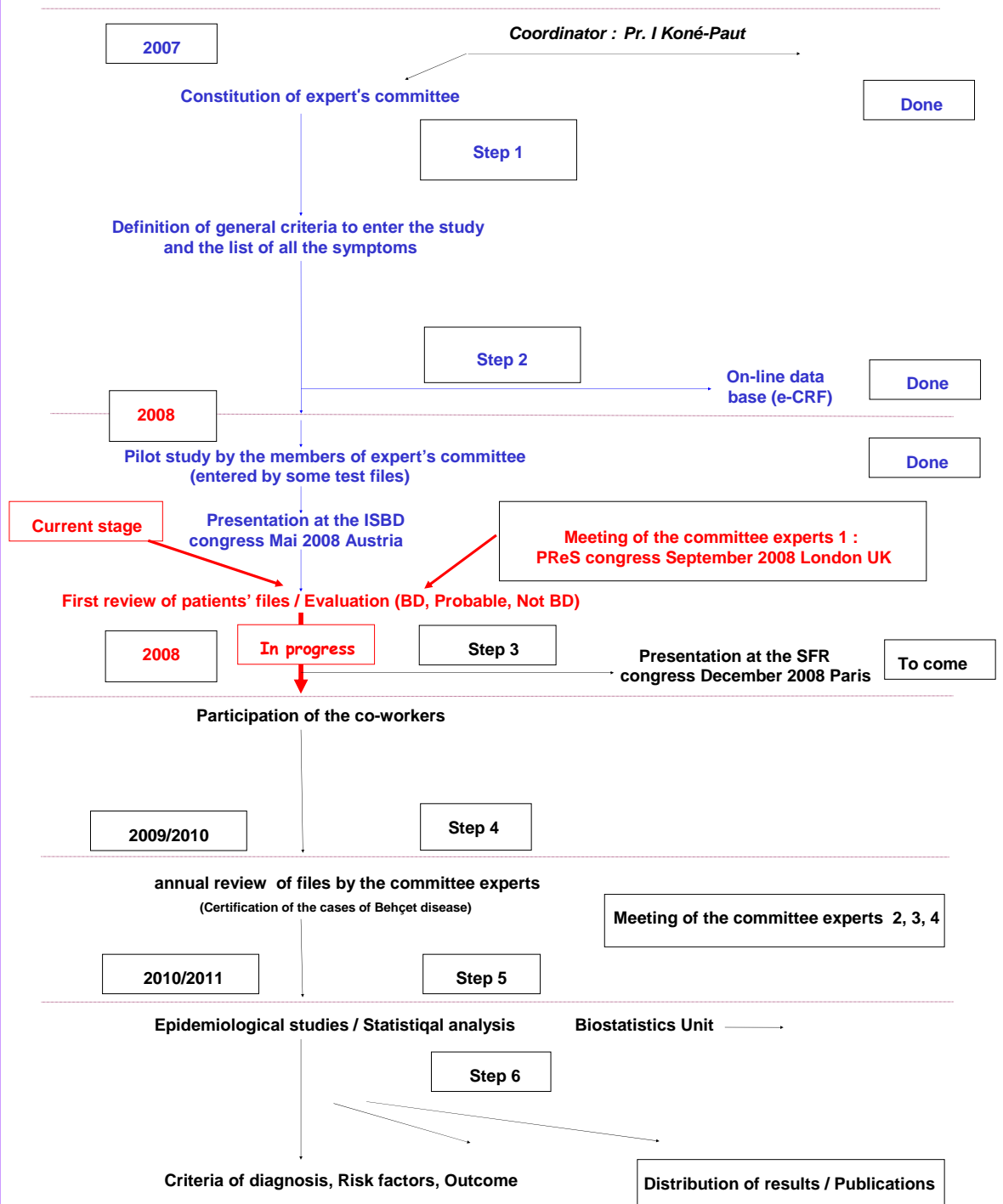
Aim of the study

This research aims to set-up an international cohort of patients selected on homogenous criteria established by a committee of experts, in order to help further epidemiological studies. The cohort is aimed also to support genetic studies.

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Progress of the study



▪ Reminder of inclusion criteria :

✓ **General criteria :**

- Behçet's disease is suspected
- Disease onset is before 16 years
- The patient is a new patient or the first visit was < 3years
- Follow-up is planned for at least 4 years
- Informed consent has been signed (if applicable in your country)

✓ **Clinical signs :**

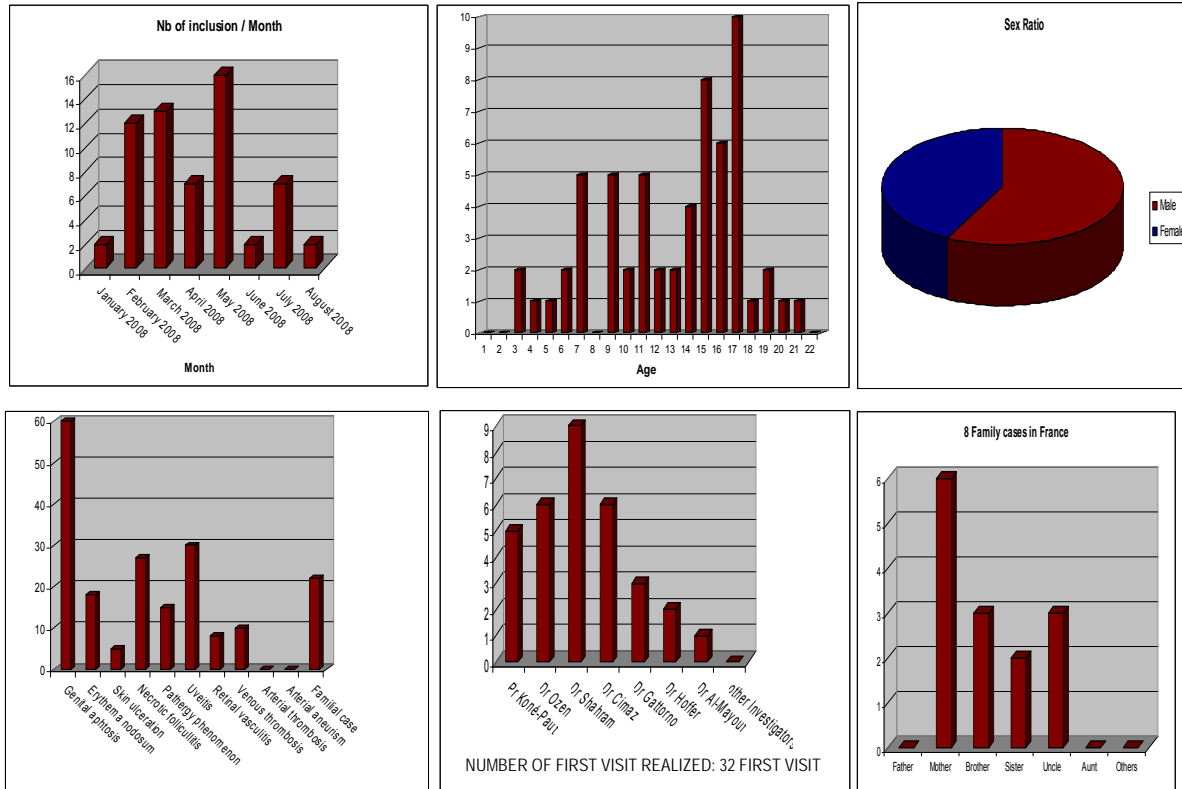
→ The patient should have experienced at least **oral aphthosis** (recurrent or relapsing at least 3 times/year) **plus at least one of the other following signs :**

- Familial history of the Behçet disease
- Genital aphthosis
- Erythema nodosum
- Skin ulceration
- Necrotic folliculitis, pustular or acneiform lesion
- Pathergy phenomenon
- Uveitis
- Retinal vasculitis
- Venous thrombosis
- Arterial thrombosis
- Arterial aneurism

- ✓ The scientific committee, during the PReS congress september 2007 Istanbul, has established this list of calling signs (minimal requirement), on consensus basis, in order to define the criteria for entering the study.
The participants have reviewed all items of patient charts in details.
- ✓ The first review of files/ Evaluation by the scientific committee took place during the last PReS September 2008 London UK :
- ✓ Data of 28 patients were examined by the international scientific committee of experts consisted by the following members :
 - Pr. Koné-Paut
 - Pr. Seza Ozen
 - Dr. Marco Gattorno
 - Dr. Rolando Cimaz
 - Dr. Mickael Hofer
 - Dr. Christine Pajot
 - Dr. Alessandro Parodi
 - Dr. Jordi Anton
- ✓ **Results :**
 - 19 patients / 28 were classified as definite BD (Consensus)
 - 9 patients / 28 were classified probable BD (Majority of votes)
 - 0 Patient classified not BD

DATA

- A total of 61 patients have been included in the data base



HIGHLIGHTS

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- We wish to motivate all the investigators to include the maximum of patients. For those who have not included patients yet, we hope to see their participation soon.
- Information relative to the PED-BD cohort study is available to The Paediatric Rheumatology International Trials Organisation (PRINTO) and CARA websites.
- A patient blood sample as well as of his two relatives (parents) is needed for genetic analyses.

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- Investigators have to ensure that they have received ethical and regulatory approval according to local regulation (ethical committee agreement).
- Investigators have to obtain : Informed consent signed for the duration of the study (at least 4 years) and a signed/dated copy of this document must be given to the parents.
- The patient must be a new patient or a patient followed for suspected BD for < 3 years.
- Inclusions have not yet started for many centers due to the delay for obtaining agreement from local ethical committees and informed consent forms. All the participating investigators have now received the informed consent forms. We hope that these centers are going to begin to include as fast as possible!
- We also wish to motivate all the investigators to start the maximum of first visit as well as blood samples collection