**Project Title:** Analysis of international clinical trial activity.  
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**Project Description:**

The CTC manages the ANZ Clinical Trials Registry under the auspices of the NHMRC and Federal government. There are currently over 10,000 registered clinical trials. Metrics recorded include disease area, type of trial, sample size proposed (or actual), interventions being tested, funding source, primary sponsor, trial site locations, and other variables.

It is of interest to determine the extent to which the levels of activity and funding being undertaken in trials match up with priority areas and burdens of illness. The successful applicant will assist with an analysis to compare the nature of international trials research, including comparisons of commercial versus non-commercial funded activities. This project will analyse clinical trial registry data about clinical trials conducted in New Zealand, Canada, UK, and the USA. The results of this analysis will contribute to a 5-nation analysis of clinical trial activity, which will also include Australian data.

We anticipate that the results of this analysis will be publishable in a high-quality medical journal, and be of major value to policy-makers and funders, industry, and clinical researchers.

Students should be interested in learning about clinical trials, healthcare policy, and data analysis.