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## The Role of Regulatory Policy on the Pediatric Therapies of Tomorrow

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#### **Historical Triggers**

#### Tragedies affecting children lead to regulatory policy change





#### labeling

- (1902) Biologics Control Act\*
- Set standards and required licensure for pharmaceutical firms making vaccines

#### Elixir Sulfanilamide (1937)

- (1938) Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act
- Required that drugs be labeled with adequate directions for safe use; Mandated pre-market approval of the FDA for all new drugs

#### Thalidomide (1961)



- (1962) Kefauver-Harris Drug Amendments Act
- Required manufacturers to prove medicines are both safe and effective for consumption

\*1906 – Pure Food and Drugs Act





of Plat Bottles Sold

Deaths From Poison Reach 34

#### **1977 AAP Committee on Drugs Policy statement**



May 1972

"It is not only ethical but also imperative that new drugs to be used in children, be studied in children ... So the benefits of therapeutic advances will become available to all who may need them."



#### **Global Policies Shaping Pediatric Drug Development**



## **Pediatric Policy Initiatives**

Slide Courtesy: C-Path Institute's Global Pediatric Clinical Trials Network



### **Pediatric Research Policies**

#### Global view

| US, EU, Switzerland^   | <ul> <li>Formal legislation mandating pediatric research within an evolving environment</li> <li>US: PREA (obligation), BPCA (incentive), FDASIA</li> <li>EU: Pediatric Regulation</li> <li>Switzerland: Therapeutic Products Law (obligation and incentive)</li> </ul> |
|--|---|
| Japan*, Canada*  | <ul> <li>Encourages voluntary pediatric data submission with incentives</li> </ul>  |
| Australia, New Zealand,<br>Taiwan  | <ul> <li>Encourages voluntary pediatric data submission with <b>no</b> incentives</li> </ul>  |
| China, Turkey, Russia, Asia<br>Region, Latam Region,<br>Middle East & Africa | No pediatric policy   |

#### Non-government policy setting entities: APEC, WHO, IFPMA, ICH

\* Actively considering policy changes which may include obligations; ^ Law passed in Mar 2016 (expected implementation 2018)

PREA = Pediatric Research Equity Act; BPCA = Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act; FDASIA = FDA Safety & Innovation Act; APEC = Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation; WHO = World Health Organization; IFPMA = International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations



## Pediatric Legislation (1/2)

#### **United States**





## Pediatric Legislation (2/2)

#### **United States**

• FDA Amendments Act (FDAAA)

• Reauthorizes PREA (Title IV) & BPCA (Title V)

Require reauthorization on a 5-year cycle  $\rightarrow$  "sunset"





## **Pediatric Legislation**

#### European Union



\* Pediatric data must be generated in compliance with a PIP as part of a marketing authorisation application or line extension unless a decision on Waiver or Deferral has been granted

Link to Regulation (EC) 1901/2006: http://ec.europa.eu/health/files/eudralex/vol-1/reg\_2006\_1901/reg\_2006\_1901\_en.pdf





# Facilitating the Inclusion of Pediatric Considerations into Adult Development



#### US: Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) and Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act (BPCA)

|                                | US PREA                                     | US BPCA   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Pediatric development          | Mandatory                                   | Optional  |
| Name of the pediatric plan     | Paediatric Study Plan (PSP)                 | Proposed Pediatric Study Request<br>(PPSR);<br>Written Request (WR) |
| Timing                         | No later than 60 days after<br>EoP2 meeting | Any time  |
| Reward                         | No reward                                   | 6-mos patent extension + exclusivity*                               |
| Biologics                      | Included                                    | Included  |
| Orphan                         | Exempted                                    | Included  |
| Scope of pediatric development | Adult indication                            | Not limited to adult indication (mechanism of action based)         |
| Labelling                      | Studies must be labeled                     | Studies must be labeled   |

# When do you need a Pediatric Study Plan (PSP) under PREA?

New medicinal products (drug or biologic) not already marketed in the US





NO

Products already marketed:

New indications, new pharmaceutical forms and new routes of

administration

Except for 505(j) products/ANDA generics

Products already marketed: New strength

Unless related to a new indication/ form/ route of administration

#### Product granted an orphan designation

**Optional PPSR (WR)** 



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# When do you submit a Pediatric Study Plan (PSP) under PREA?

- Submit to the IND no later than 60 days after the EoP2 meeting
- In the absence of an EoP2 meeting, submit as early as practicable, but no later than the start of confirmatory program



# When do you submit a Proposed Pediatric Study Request (PPSR) under BPCA?

• FDA will not issue a WR for studies previously submitted to the agency



### **Rewards granted under BPCA**

# 222 Completed Written Requests have led to pediatric exclusivity

**Across industry** 



# EU: When Do We Need a Paediatric Investigation Plan (PIP)?



PIP requirement applies for Orphan medicinal products: Orphan  $\rightarrow$  Separate PIP/ Separate MA Separate development (i.e. indications <u>not</u> submitted at the same time)  $\rightarrow$  Separate PIPs

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### When do we submit a PIP?

PIP submission early during product development



Ensure early dialogue between the sponsor and the PDCO (early interaction pilot) Ensure that pediatric development becomes an integral part of adult development program In time for studies to be conducted in the pediatric population before MAAs are submitted if appropriate

### **Facilitating Pediatric Innovation\***

\* Regulatory policy facilitating the regulatory review of innovative medicines (including pediatric medicines) that address unmet medical need in the treatment of serious or life-threatening conditions



### **Facilitating Innovation:**

#### Selected Expedited Programs from key ICH Regions

#### Key characteristics\* of the 3 most recent expedited programs

|                     | United States  | European Union  | Japan  |
|---------------------|--|---|--|
| Scheme              | Breakthrough Therapy Designation<br>(BTD)  | PRIME scheme  | Sakigake Designation   |
| Target product      | <ul><li>Drugs</li><li>Biologics</li></ul>  | <ul> <li>Medicines for human use</li> <li>Advanced-therapy medicinal<br/>products (ATMPs) such as<br/>genes, cells or tissue<br/>engineering.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Medicines</li> <li>Medical devices</li> <li>regenerative medicines</li> </ul>   |
| Qualifying criteria | <ul> <li>A medicine that is intended to<br/>treat a serious condition</li> <li>Preliminary clinical evidence<br/>indicates may demonstrate<br/>substantial improvement over<br/>available therapies on a<br/>clinically significant end point or<br/>end points</li> </ul>           | <ul> <li>A medicine that may a major<br/>therapeutic advantage over<br/>existing treatments, or benefits<br/>without treatment options</li> <li>A medicine has to show its<br/>potential to benefit patients with<br/>unmet medical needs based on<br/>early clinical data</li> <li>Academic sector and small-<br/>sized companies can apply<br/>earlier than the above<br/>development stage.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Innovativeness of the product</li> <li>Treatment for which the earliest commercialization is required for target diseases</li> <li>Highly effective treatment against the target medical condition</li> <li>Develop the product rapidly and file an application for approval in Japan, ahead of other countries/simultaneously</li> </ul> |
| Regulatory Features | <ul> <li>All Fast Track designation<br/>features</li> <li>Intensive guidance on an<br/>efficient drug development<br/>program, beginning as early as<br/>phase 1</li> <li>Organizational commitment<br/>involving FDA senior managers</li> <li>Option for priority review</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Enable accelerated<br/>assessment</li> <li>EMA dedicated contact point<br/>who will coordinate the support<br/>offered throughout the scheme</li> <li>Better use of existing regulatory<br/>and procedural tools as<br/>scientific advice at key<br/>development mile stone etc.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>All Priority Review designation<br/>features</li> <li>Prioritized clinical trial and pre-<br/>application consultation</li> <li>Assigned PMDA manager as a<br/>concierge</li> <li>Post-marketing safety<br/>measures</li> <li>Advantage to price</li> </ul>   |



#### **US Expedited Development Mechanisms**

Goal: To facilitate and expedite the development and review of innovative medicines that address unmet medical need in the treatment of serious or life-threatening conditions

|                      | Accelerated Approval   | Fast-Track Designation   | Priority Review  | Breakthrough Therapy Designation   |
|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Eligibility          | <ol> <li>Treat serious or<br/>life-threatening diseases</li> <li>Provide meaningful therapeutic<br/>benefit over existing therapies</li> <li>Surrogate endpoint reasonably<br/>likely to predict clinical benefit</li> </ol> | <ol> <li>Intent to treat broad range of<br/>serious or life-threatening diseases</li> <li>Potential to fill an unmet medical<br/>need</li> </ol> | Offer major advances in treatment over existing therapies                      | <ol> <li>Treat serious or life-threatening diseases</li> <li>Early clinical evidence of substantial<br/>improvement over existing therapies</li> </ol>     |
| Designation          | No formal process  | Can be requested by sponsor at any time  | Requested by sponsor at time of NDA/BLA submission                             | Can be requested by sponsor at any time after IND submission   |
| FDA Review-Response  | N/A  | 60 days  | 45 days  | 60 days  |
| Clinical Development | Conditional approval granted<br>using surrogate endpoint from<br>phase II trials or interim phase III<br>data; controlled trials with hard<br>clinical endpoints required to<br>confirm clinical benefit                     | Earlier and more frequent communication  | N/A  | Abbreviated or condensed development;<br>earlier and more frequent communication;<br>delegation of senior reviewers and cross-<br>disciplinary review team |
|                      | NDA/BLA data submitted in one package; standard 10-month   | Option for Rolling NDA/BLA submission  | NDA/BLA data submitted in one<br>package; review time shortened to<br>6 months | NDA/BLA data submitted as they are accumulated; review time shortened  |
|                      | review   | Official review clock begins when last module is submitted   | o monuns   | Iterget<br>Lead<br>optimization<br>Phase Phase Phase FDA<br>Review   |

### By the numbers: U.S. FDA Novel Drug Approvals (2011–2016)



Source: https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DrugInnovation/default.htm



## By the numbers: U.S. FDA Pediatric Novel Drug Approvals



- Standard regulatory review
- Priority Review

Fast Track Designation

- Orphan Drug Designation
- Breakthrough Therapy Designation
- Accelerated Approval Program
- Animal Efficacy Rule

Source: https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DrugInnovation/default.htm



### Facilitating Innovation: Development Incentives Orphan Drug Designation

- The Orphan Drug Act (ODA) grants special status ("orphan designation" [OD]) to a drug or biological product to treat a rare disease or condition upon request of a sponsor
  - Criterion specified in the ODA and FDA's implementing regulations (21 CFR Part 316)
- OD qualifies the sponsor of the drug for development incentives, including
  - Orphan products grants program
  - Tax credits for qualified clinical testing
  - ✓ Waiver of drug user fee for the marketing application (MA)\*
  - Orphan drug exclusivity
- Common EMA/FDA template

\*Unless it includes an indication for another condition for which the drug was orphan designated

https://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DevelopingProductsforRareDiseasesConditions/HowtoapplyforOrphanProductDesign ation/ucm124795.htm



### **Facilitating Innovation: Development Incentives**

Pediatric Rare Disease Priority Review Voucher (PRV)

- Created under FDA Safety and Innovations Act (FDASIA) to encourage development of drugs and biologics for "rare pediatric diseases (RPD)"
- If a sponsor receives approval of a "RPD product application", the sponsor is eligible to receive a PRV which can be redeemed, or transferred to another sponsor, to obtain priority review of another application ineligible for priority review
- Rare Pediatric Disease (*definition*)
  - Is a serious or life-threatening disease in which the serious or lifethreatening manifestations primarily affect individuals aged from birth to 18 yrs AND
  - Is a rare disease or condition (includes diseases /conditions that affect fewer than 200,000 in the US)



#### By the numbers: U.S. FDA Pediatric Novel Drug Approvals Rewards for innovation

30 novel pediatric products (2011 - 2016)

✓ 7 Pediatric Rare Diseases Priority Review Vouchers

- o 1 in 2014
- o 4 in 2015
- o 2 in 2016
- 1 Tropical diseases Priority Review Voucher (pediatric)

Source: https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DrugInnovation/default.htm

### **Shaping our Future**



May 2007

*"We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility of our future."* 

- George Bernard Shaw



#### Pediatric drug development today

Fundamental change of culture

Pediatric program development an integral part of product development

Pediatric innovation from bench to bedside



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# Significant differences exist in numbers & causes of pediatric death in established markets vs rest-of-world



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Source: WHO Department of Health Statistics and Informatics

#### **Objective: Toward a Better Global Alignment** Building a Global Pediatric Development Strategy

- Global pediatric program (GPP) In early stage development, consider all potential pediatric uses of the mechanism of action both independent of and within adult indication(s) across the global markets
- PIP Assessment, deferral or waiver for on-label indication and the broader condition
- ✓ PSP/PREA Assessment, deferral or waiver for on-label indication
- ✓ WR/BPCA Voluntary pediatric research for pediatric reward





### **Toward a Better Future**

- > Off-label use of pediatric therapeutics remains commonplace
  - Outside of specialty pediatrics where tremendous unmet medical need exists, less urgency in general pediatric domain to support 'industry research' 
     advance the conversation (public-private partnerships, other)
- Small sample sizes lead to challenging study recruitment and highly competitive research environments
  - Need for: Smarter study design; Innovation in technical research and development, pharmacometric approaches, and pediatric-focused global regulatory pathways
- > Much of pediatric drug development remains dependent upon adult development
  - Current regulations do not fully address the need
  - Rol for pediatric drug development remains unchanged and existing incentive structures are not necessarily addressing significant unmet need → policy innovation, incentives, sub-population specific policy (i.e. neonates)
- Current pediatric regulatory pathways introduce significant administrative burden (on industry, agency, and research community at large)
  - Need for shared global research objectives prioritizing unmet need
  - Simplify regulatory process and continue movement towards global harmonization

#### **Thank You**

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#### Other valuable slides for reference only



#### **US: Incentives & Reward under BPCA** *Pediatric burden to address a public health need, compensated by financial reward*

| <b>Medicinal Product</b> | Reward  |
|--------------------------|---|
| Drug products            | 6 months pediatric exclusivity attached to all existing patents <u>and</u> added to 5 (NME) and 3 (non-NME) years of data exclusivity |
| Orphan Products          | 6 months of pediatric exclusivity added to 7 years of orphan exclusivity  |
| Biological Products      | 6 months of pediatric exclusivity added to 12 years of data exclusivity   |



- Applications and assessment of PPSR: free of charge
- Exclusivity is granted when studies are complete and meet the conditions of the WR
  - Efficacy need not be demonstrated, however, the studies must provide "useful" information

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# EU: Incentives and Reward under Paediatric Regulation

Paediatric burden compensated by financial reward

| <b>Medicinal Product</b>                              | Reward   |
|---|--|
| New Medicinal product                                 | 6 months SPC extension   |
| Orphan Medicine                                       | 2 additional years of market exclusivity<br>In addition to 10 years market exclusivity |
| Off patent Medicine<br>(PUMA –<br>optional/voluntary) | 8+2 years of data & market protection (but only on paediatric data)                    |

For a medicinal product with multiple orphan indications in different conditions:

 Reward granted for each entirely separate orphan designated indication for which a PIP has been completed and complied with

## **US: What is a PREA Waiver or Deferral?**

## Waiver

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FDA may grant a Full or Partial Waiver; Disease-specific Waiver

Studies are impossible or highly impractical

The product would be ineffective or unsafe in pediatric patients

No meaningful therapeutic benefit over existing therapies; Unlikely to be used by a substantial number of pediatric patients

An age appropriate formulation can not be developed

## Deferral

Product is already approved for use in adults

Additional safety and efficacy data are needed prior to start of pediatric studies

Other reason(s) as agreed with the agency

Requires strong scientific & technical rationale

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## **EU: What is a PIP Waiver?**

Need strong scientific & technical justifications or grounds related to public health

## Waiver

**Product specific waiver** 

Class waiver: Product developed for conditions not affecting children (Parkison, Alzheimer) List of conditions exempt from the requirement of a PIP \*Class waiver under review by EMA (Missed opportunities for children)\*

Full or Partial waiver: A waiver of the pediatric development can be granted for all (full waiver) or subsets (partial waiver) of the pediatric population

Grounds for waiver : PDCO waives development in children for lack of efficacy, lack of safety, lack of significant therapeutic benefit or when disease does not occur in children

If waiver revoked : 36 months to allow time for PIP to be agreed/paediatric studies to be initiated before MAA submission

#### Pediatric development mandatory in the EU for new medicines unless a product-specific or a class waiver is granted

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## **EU: What is a PIP Deferral?**

Need strong scientific & technical justifications or grounds related to public health

## Deferrals

A deferral allows postponing the initiation and/or the completion of the measures in the PIP In order not to delay the MA in adults and to perform studies in children when it is safe to do so.

> Full or Partial deferral = All or some of the measures are deferred (often until after the studies in adults have been conducted)

Full deferral = Deferral of all measures set in the EMA decision / No studies have to be completed at the time of submission

Grounds for deferral: safety or ethical issues / avoid delaying MA in adults

If deferral on a PIP, obligation to submit to the EMA Annual Reports to provide an update on progress with pediatric studies (once a year, starting when MA is granted until PIP is final)

Even when studies are deferred, PIP include details & timelines of the paediatric studies

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