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## Areas of interest and operations



We support the development of biomedical discoveries into interventions for better health, e.g.

- next generation translational tools for better understanding of disease processes and drug performance
- standardisation and quality in the translational medicine pipeline
- fostering timely interaction with regulators and stakeholders

#### A distributed infrastructure

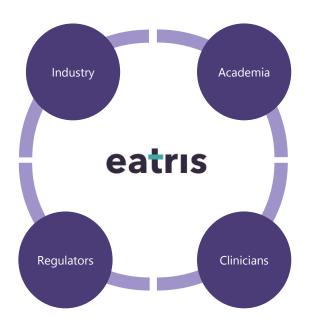
We coordinate 90 translational research institutes of excellence in 12 countries

- 45 University Medical Centres
- Latest in vitro and in vivo models, systems
- Deep and wide clinical expertise, patient cohorts



# The Challenges

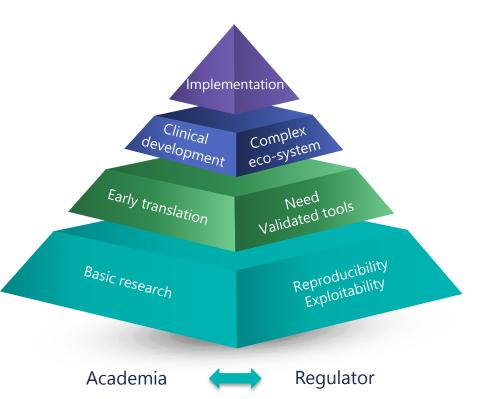
- Access to regulatory expertise within academia not easy
- There is a lack of incentive (funding) for academia to perform validation studies and effective transition to clinic
- Many systemic bottlenecks are due to weak/non-existent crosssector cooperation
  - Accessing latest translational tools, e.g.
  - Molecular imaging (cell tracking for CTs),
  - The right potency assays,
  - Assays addressing collateral effects of new therapies (e.g CRS from ACT)
  - EU multinational clinical research is complex; lead times underestimated



Cross-sectoral collaboration is a critical success factor



# Experience in interaction with reg. authorities



Regulators recognise that academia need advice earlier in the development life-cycle



Academia not aware of opportunities to interact, lack access to experts that 'speak the language'

Facilitate early interaction

EATRIS interacts with **Regulators** through various mechanisms (e.g. MoU with NCAs)



Active engagement

Participation of Regulators at EATRIS workshops, use of available platforms (e.g. EMA ITF and NCAs Innovation Offices)



### What can EATRIS offer to you to advance Regulatory Science?

### **Publicly funded infrastructure**

Experienced in working with institutions focused on translational research

#### **Track Record**

Active relationship with NCAs and working with SMEs and Academics

### **Cross-sector collaboration**

Act as a focal point for advancing Regulatory Science in consultation with regulators Coordinating a Research Agenda dedicated to developing next generation tools e.g.

- Platform for cell tracking
- Operational framework for adaptive platform trials (IMI EU-PEARL)
- Best practices, methodology, standardisation and quality in translational research



Thank you for your attention and your engagement in Q&A

For further information and collaboration, please contact us

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