



Experience from an SME in initiating clinical trials

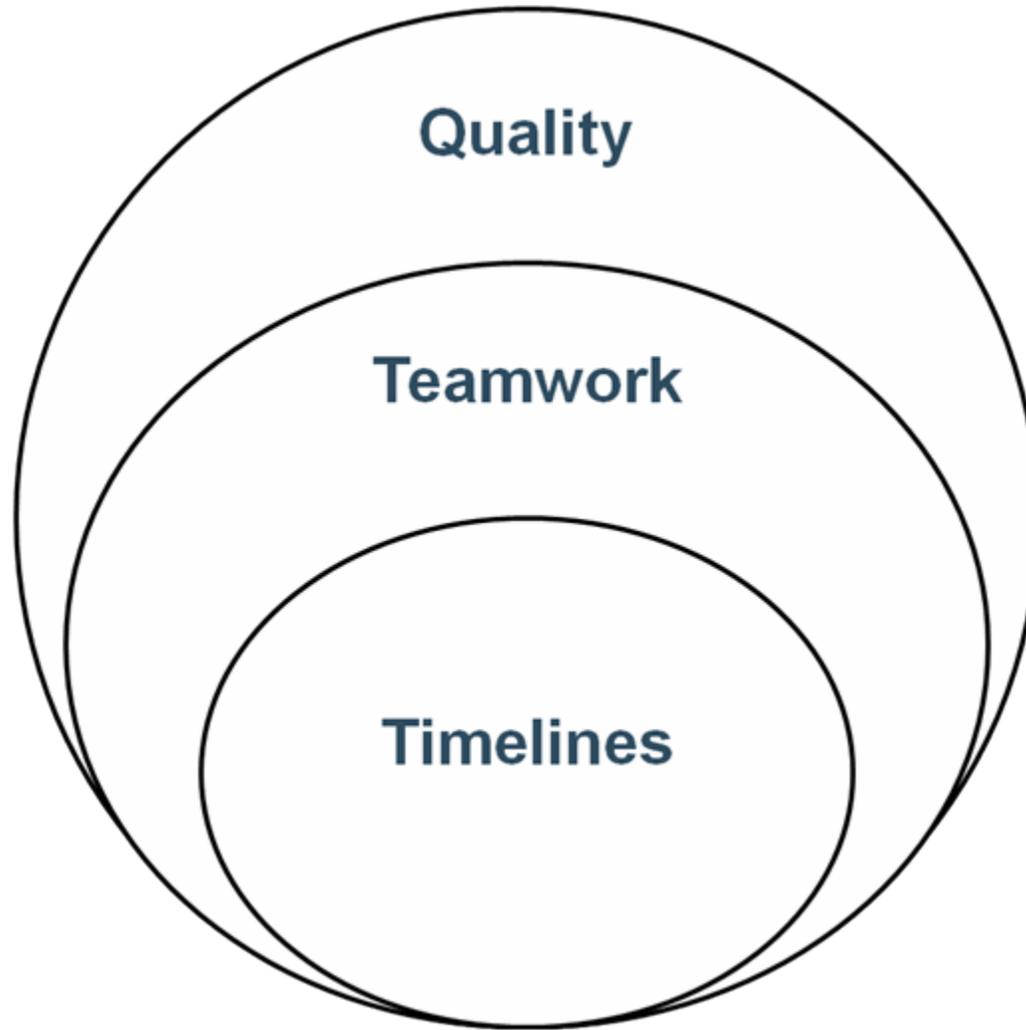
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AGENDA

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-  PregLem
-  Clinical trials at PregLem
-  Experience with Phase III trials
-  Lessons learned

Introduction



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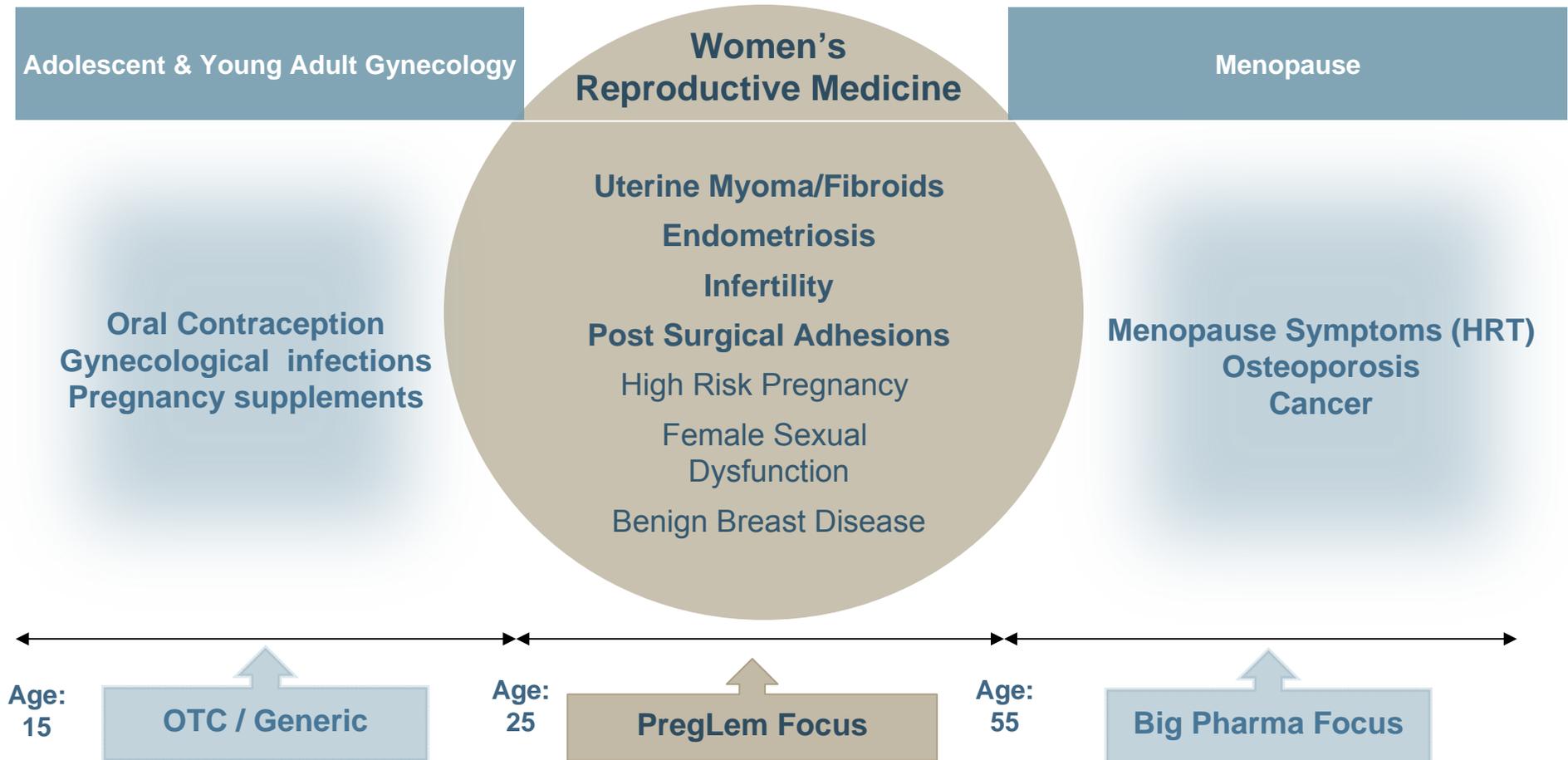
PregLem

- 👤 European specialty pharma company founded in Geneva, Switzerland in 2007
- 👤 SME status from EMA (PregLem French affiliate)
- 👤 Developing drugs addressing significant benign gynecological conditions
- 👤 Experienced management team with proven track record in women's reproductive medicine market
- 👤 Addressing significant market opportunities
- 👤 Advanced pipeline of *first-in-class* products with strong IP protection
- 👤 First product launch foreseen in 2011
- 👤 Backed by blue chip investors with CHF68.0m in committed capital; CHF15.0m in reserve capital
- 👤 www.preglem.com

A fast developing speciality biopharmaceutical company, focused on women's reproductive medicine

Therapeutic Area Focus

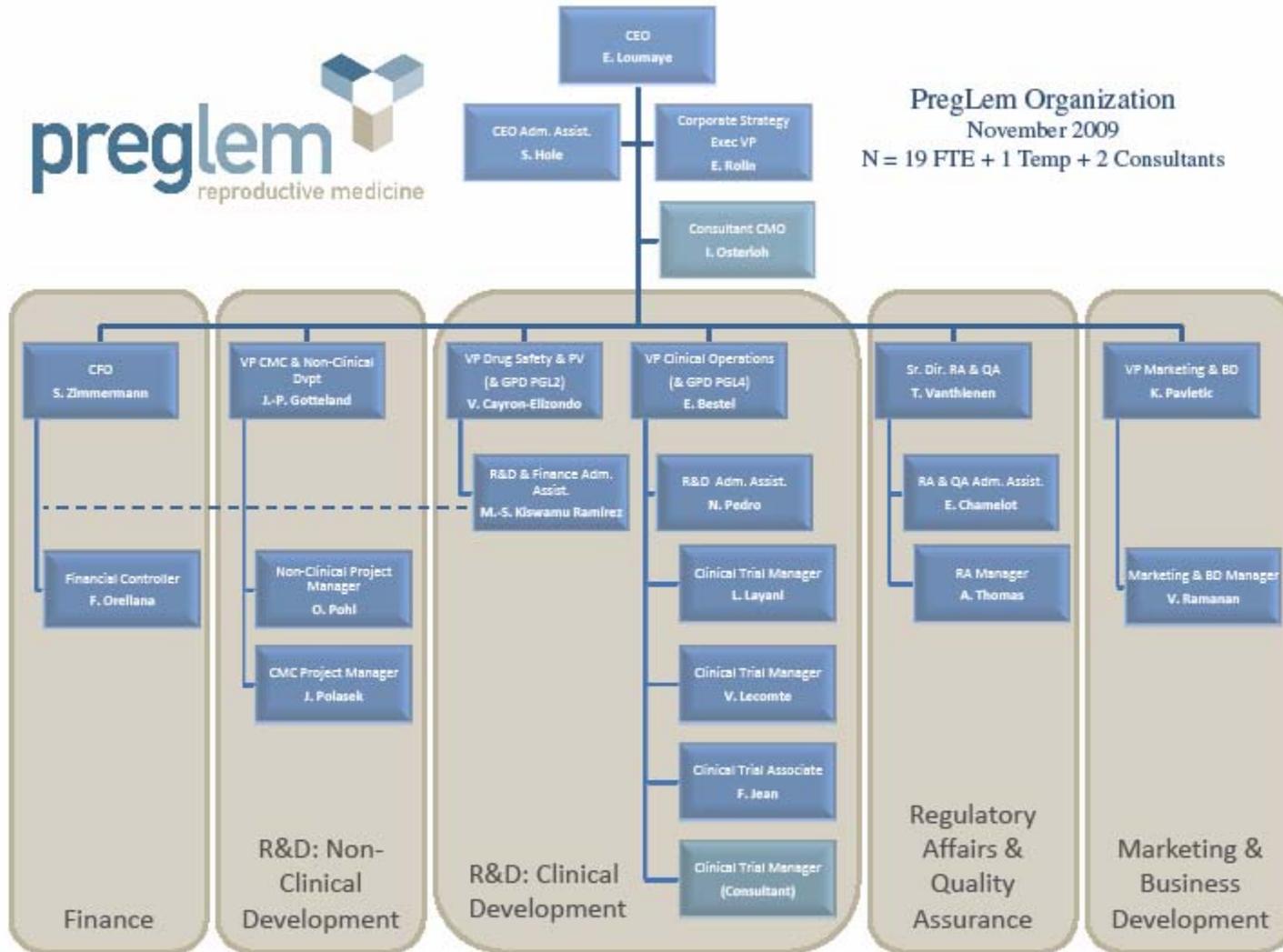
Women's Reproductive Medicine – a €4 Billion Target Market



Source: World Markets Report - CIBC Research 2007, European Equity Research – Bear Stearns 2005, Pipeline Insight: Endometriosis; Datamonitor 2004, Opinions in Uterine Fibroid Management; Datamonitor 2002



PregLem Organization
November 2009
N = 19 FTE + 1 Temp + 2 Consultants



Clinical trials at PregLem



Product	Indication	Mechanism of Action	Pre Clinical	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Marketed	Territory	Comment
PGL4 <i>Esmya™</i> <i>Ulipristal acetate</i>	Pre-Operative treatment for Uterus Myoma	SPRM						EU	Marketed in Europe*
	On/Off long term treatment of Uterus Myoma							EU	Pivotal phase III under way
	Pre-Operative treatment for Uterus Myoma (anemia)							US	Pivotal phase III under way
PGL3	Luteal Support in ART	GnRH agonist Ovulation Induction						WW	Supportive product at PGL4 launch
PGL2	Endometriosis Mild to Moderate	(STS-I)						WW	If phase Ib conclusive move to phase II
PGL1	Ovarian Reserve Modulation Age Related Infertility	Somatostatin Antagonist (SST-Antag)						WW	If partnership secured move to phase I
PGLX	Prevention of post surgical adhesions Moderate to severe endometriosis							WW	

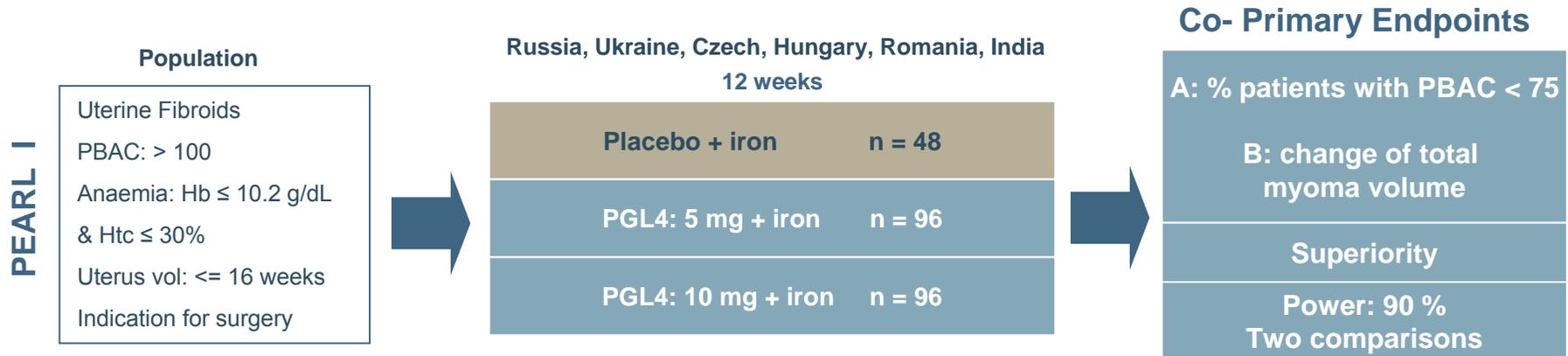
Experience with Phase III trials

PGL4001 Introduction

- 👉 PGL4001 (INN: ulipristal), an NCE, is a Selective Progesterone Receptor Modulator (SPRM)
- 👉 Discovered by Research Triangle Institute (RTI, USA)
- 👉 Initial development and early clinical studies conducted by National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NIHCD, USA)
- 👉 PregLem in-licensed the molecule from HRA Pharma for the development in significant benign gynaecological conditions, e.g. uterine myoma
- 👉 HRA Pharma (France) received EU MAA (15 May 09) for ulipristal acetate in emergency contraception (EllaOne[®] : 30 mg tablets, single dose)

PEARL I – Randomised, double-blind Phase III trial of ulipristal acetate vs placebo

Pivotal Phase 3 Study Design – PEARL I



Primary objective: Efficacy of ulipristal acetate in reducing excessive bleeding and total fibroid volume compared with placebo

Recruitment Status: Enrolment Closed, n=240

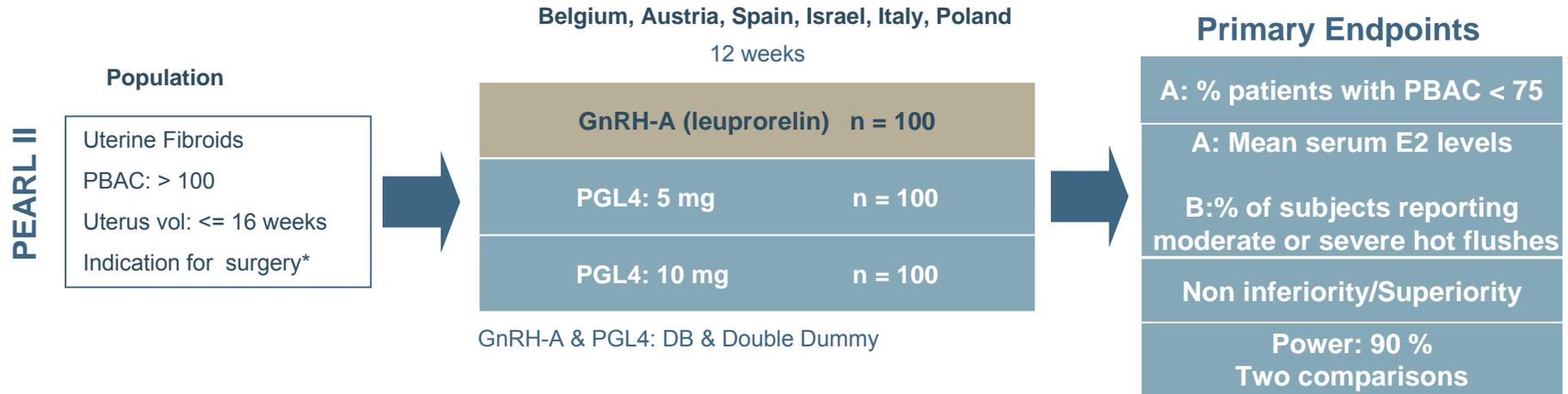


Last Patient In
Results

Nov 2009
June 2010

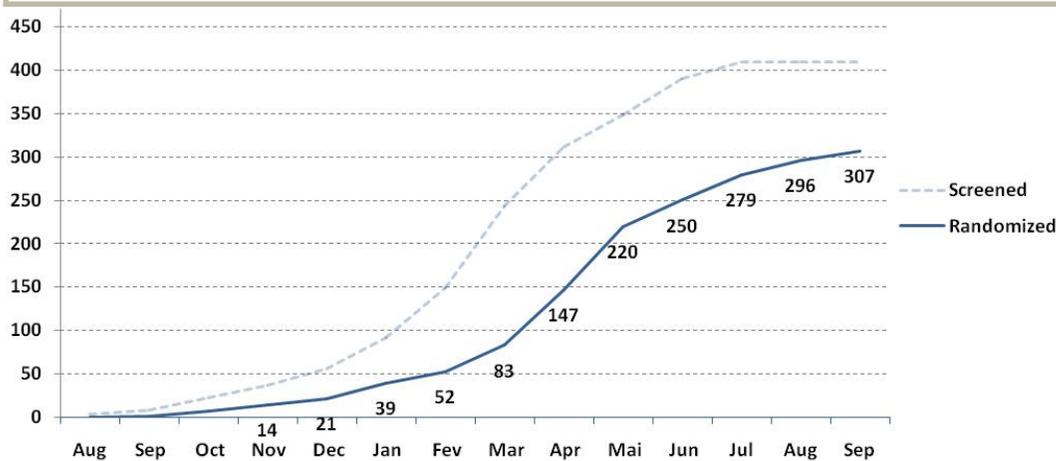
PEARL II – Randomised, double-blind Phase III trial of ulipristal acetate vs GnRH agonist

Pivotal Phase 3 Study Design – PEARL II



Primary objective: Efficacy of ulipristal acetate in reducing excessive bleeding compared with GnRH agonist

Recruitment Status: Enrolment Closed, n=300



Last Patient In Results

**Sep 2009
May 2010**

Several steps for PEARL I/II

 Protocol Committee Meeting

 Scientific Advice

 CRO selection + other providers

 Initial submission to EC/CA

December 2007

Q1 2008

Q1 2008

Q2 2008

Protocol Committee Meeting

-  Sample size
-  Drug Safety Monitoring Board
-  Dose rational
-  Efficacy/safety endpoints
-  Choice of comparator
-  Risk/benefit

Scientific Advice

4 National Health Authorities

Request and briefing document «in-house»

- Clinical Aspects (patient exposure, dose selection, control groups, primary/secondary endpoints)
- Nonclinical Aspects (carcinogenicity study)
- Quality Aspects (stability data)

Meetings

- PregLem team
- Expert in therapeutic area

CRO selection + other providers

Bid defense meetings organised by clinical department with CRO

- To know your counterpart
- To discuss strategy for country and site selection
- To discuss timelines for submission to CA/EC
- To discuss submission package

Other Service Providers

- Drug supply
- Data Management and Statistics
- Pharmacovigilance
- Central lab

Initial submission to CA/EC

Kick-off meeting

Core documents PregLem

- IB, IMPD, Protocol, Labelling of IMP

Core documents CRO

- Application form CA/EC, Patient Information Sheet/Informed Consent Form, locally required documents

Review/approval processes

- Timelines to be agreed
- Time-consuming but lead to quality

After submission and study approval

Preparation of responses to CA/EC questions

- Collaboration with relevant departments
- Review/approval respecting timelines from CA/EC

Version control of different documents

Protocol amendments

QA activities

Audit of service providers

- Before signing contract
- During trial

Audit of clinical sites

Lessons learned

- 📦 Advice from Health Authorities
- 📦 Know your service providers and look for the best collaboration
- 📦 Keep control internally on your core documents
- 📦 Think Quality