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# Support developments in precision medicine, biomarkers and 'omics'

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Underlying actions

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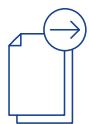
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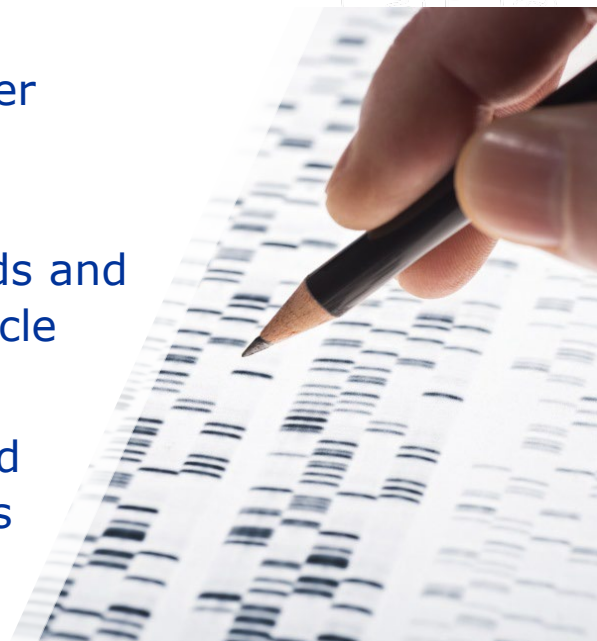
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## Enhance early engagement with novel biomarker developers to facilitate regulatory qualification

- EMA/EC should develop a consistent diagnostic testing infrastructure throughout Europe.
- Enhance the current EMA qualification procedure to allow the procedure to be accelerated and provide for greater flexibility to encourage greater uptake and use.
- Develop guidance on the use of next generation sequencing in an investigational setting, including performance evaluation, requirements for concordance/sensitivity testing, and for complementary diagnostics.





## Address the impact of emerging 'omics' methods and their application across the development life cycle



- Develop research projects to ensure the quality, completeness, validity and analysis of datasets.
- Develop informatics, ICT and mathematics tools to integrate, analyse and extract value from databases with specific attention on interoperability of the respective databases.
- EMA and EC to develop a coherent plan that fits into existing health strategic plans.

## Evaluate, in collaboration with HTAs, payers and patients, biomarker impact on clinical outcomes

- In the enhancement of EMA biomarker qualification process consider role and use of data by HTA bodies.
- Support use of comprehensive genomic profile for diagnostic and other purposes, with fit-for-purpose performance metrics and continuous improvements mechanisms inbuilt to quickly incorporate scientific advances.
- Increase transparency: how biomarker and assay performance information are to be provided in the SmPC and companion diagnostics (CDx) label.



# Any questions?

## Further information

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