



# Feedback from EC/EMA-FDA bilateral on paediatric research



# EU-US strategic bilateral on the future of paediatric medicines

- intensify collaboration
- increase compatibility
- identify future challenges
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- Co-Chaired by Florian Schmidt, European Commission and Sandra Kweder, FDA



# **Participants**

- European Commission: 3
- EMA: 16 (D Division, Paediatrics, Legal, Regulatory, Pharmacovigilance, PDCO Chair, etc)
- FDA: 5 in person (OPT, Paed and Maternal Health, FDA Europe)
  - 7 by phone (Divisions)



## Areas of discussion

- Harmonisation / Streamlining
- Evolving Science in Paediatric Research: role of regulators
- Collaboration of all stakeholders
- Looking ahead



# Key conclusion

- Aim for a convergent and harmonised paediatric development programme for each medicine through:
  - early and proactive collaboration to increase efficiency during paediatric product development;
  - joint outreach programmes to identify high priority paediatric need areas and to facilitate related research and development;
  - collaboration with all stakeholders to bring experts, researchers and industry together to address scientific issues in paediatric medicine development.



### Goals

- The EMA/FDA Common Commentary process shall also incorporate input from regulators in Canada, Japan and Australia
- Disease-specific working groups and joint public workshops
- Further exploring providing joint high-level, early scientific feedback on targeted areas, with the possibility of direct interaction with sponsors when appropriate
- Ad-hoc mutual participation in the EMA Paediatric Committee (PDCO) and the FDA Paediatric Review Committee (PeRC) for high priority programmes
- Evolving science, a mechanism of action based approach and consideration of real-world data shall be integrated into and inform paediatric product development programmes, which shall be adaptable to new information over time





# Published report

http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en\_GB/document\_library/Report/2016/12/WC500218004.pdf



# Thank you for your attention

#### Further information

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