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BOOSTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF RARE DISEASE THERAPIES: THE IRDIRC ORPHAN DRUG DEVELOPMENT GUIDEBOOK

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Officially launched in 2011 under the impulsion of the European Commission and the US NIH to accelerate medical breakthrough for People living with Rare Diseases (PLWRD) by creating a network of research funders

The network has expanded:

- Funding organizations (i.e., funding bodies, groups of funders (for small funders), companies) investing more than 10 million USD over 5 years in rare disease research
- Umbrella patient advocacy organizations representing broad patients' interests for all rare diseases in at least one country or larger area



Addressing a Tremendous Unmet Medical Need





From the current toolbox ...



... toward a new one.





ORPHAN DRUG DEVELOPMENT GUIDEBOOK

A patient focused guidebook that describes the available tools, incentives, resources and practices for developing traditional and innovative drugs/therapies for rare diseases and how to best use them. It can be used by academic, non-profit organizations, small and larger (innovative) biotechs and patient-driven drug developers.



ODDG – PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE



- 1 Workshop with 20 drug development experts and stakeholders
- 1 milestone-based drug development framework (gameboard)
- 110 Building Blocks (BBs) i.e. tools, incentives, resources and practices used during development
- 3 Case Scenarios
- Use of building blocks across the different phases and milestones of drug development
- Roadmap & Check-lists of "what to do" and "when to do it"



ODDG - FRAMEWORK

Product

discovery

Target

Nonclinical

PoP

Disease

knowledge



FIH ready

Pivotal

data

MAA

NDA/BLA

Human

PoC



ODDG – BUILDING BLOCKS (BBS) CLASSIFICATION

For each BB it was created a factsheet describing its relevance to rare disease drug development, availability, scope of use, output, pros and cons of usage, best time to apply, duration and costs.

110 BBs were identified consisting of:

- Regulatory pathways, designations and incentives for ODD in EU, US and Japan
- HTA and reimbursement practices and procedures to support the economic value proposition and assessment, mainly focused on EU
- Early access programs to enable patient treatment before regulatory license or local approval, either reimbursed or provided at no cost, according to the local regulation and practices
- Development practices best-practice established by developers in the field of rare diseases, to improve orphan drug development in terms of speed, quality or efficiency
- **Development resources** physical or practical existing accessible resource, to support drug developers in the orphan space





ODDG – CASE STUDIES



relevant endpoints

- Disease present in children and adults
- Disease present in children and adults











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Boosting delivery of rare disease therapies: the IRDiRC Orphan Drug Development Guidebook

The International Rare Diseases Research Consortium (IRDiRC) has created a Guidebook to facilitate drug development for rare diseases by organizing available tools into a standardized framework.

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START



Natural History Studies

Diagnostic Tools

PCOMs

- Missing info on the disease need to be generated ASAP
- If not pre-existing, a solid stakeholder network has to be created
- Stakeholder engagement is a constant activity throughout development



ADVANCED THERAPY







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How to use the Orphan Drug Development Guidebook in your own setting

- The materials produced and displayed onto the interactive website can serve different purposes:
 - Expert platform resource: from accessing information on a single Building Block to gaining knowledge on the RD therapeutic development landscape as a whole
 - Educational purposes: the content and the Gameboard/framework can be used for trainings
 - Strategic development planning: the Gameboard/framework and the Building Blocks can be used to elicit a real case scenario for reflecting on a real development plan
 - Long term sustainability ensured by transitioning of the ODDG to EJP-RD <u>'Innovation & Clinical Trials Support</u>'

