

The Pharma View of the EU Clinical Trial Regulation

6TH CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL TRIALS IN THE NORDIC COUNTRIES



Objectives

- * **Overview of Industry's Key Priorities**
- * **What keeps us up at night**
 - * Implementation – when?
 - * Portal/Database – Fit for Purpose?
 - * Transitioning of trials
 - * GMO and Medical Device legislation
 - * Advances in trial designs
 - * Brexit



About EFPIA and CTR 536/2014

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”EFPIA sees the implementation of the Clinical Trials Regulation as an opportunity to demonstrate Europe’s commitment to clinical innovation, scientific collaboration and transparency of clinical trials information. Successful implementation of EU CTR is one of EFPIA’s priorities.”



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Industry’s Key Priorities

- * Consistency in approach / predictability
- * Maintain EU’s competitiveness
- * Efficient & user-friendly IT systems
- * A future-ready system
- * Disclosure of clinical data from EU Portal & Database
- * Everything in place prior to implementation



Implementation Date

Update on the EU Clinical Trial Regulation and development of the clinical trial EU Portal and Database

The Board heard an update on the EU Portal and Database project. The development is progressing, though still requires close monitoring. More precision of the delivery timeframe will be possible after a planned cycle of extensive testing by Member States and sponsor representatives and when further progress with the auditable version of the system has been made. The development remains aligned to the schedule that enables the EU [Clinical Trial Regulation](#) to come into application in the second half of 2019.

Ref: EMA Management Board Press Release, 6-Oct-2017

- * **Delays – disappointing!!, but:**
 - * EUPD must facilitate operation/function of EU CTReg
 - * Welcome sponsors' involvement in UAT



Additional EUPD Development Priorities

- * **Availability of a test/dummy system**
- * **Upload of externally built CT application and application form**
- * **Completion of implementation of User Management approaches**
- * **Search and reporting functionality**
- * **Download of documents**



Transitioning Trials

Large companies: ~80 trials need transition

* Simple, Flexible, Process to transition Ongoing Trials from Directive to Regulation

- * Additional input of legacy information minimized and automated
- * Flexibility over the timing of transition
- * Flexibility on scope of trials affected
 - * E.g. EU LPLV reached but study end (per protocol) has not been reached – Out of scope



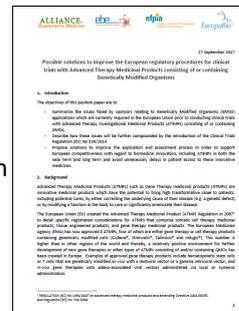
Links with other Legislation

* New Medical Device Legislation

- * Inter-operability between MedDev clinical database and EUPD
- * 'Clinical performance' study for diagnostic-drug combination – CTReg or IVDReg?

* Genetically-Modified Organisms

- * Case-by-case evaluation of risks
- * Data requirements, timelines, processes vary by MS
- * Need integration of risk assessment process with CTReg processes
 - * Other steps to take in short/medium-term



Future-Ready System?

- * **Clinical trial designs are evolving**
 - * Electronic data capture, and prevalence of wi-fi connectivity driving change in conduct/analysis of trials
 - * Remote data capture
 - * Adaptive trials, combined phases, bucket/platform trials
- * **Is there flexibility in CT Regulation to facilitate these approaches?**



Brexit

- * **Short-term impacts:**
 - * UK-based sponsors/legal representatives
 - * CT supplies released through the UK
 - * Inspections
- * **Longer-term considerations**
 - * UK involvement in CT Regulation



CTR Implementation – Industry Summary

- * **CTReg – Golden opportunity:**
 - * Balanced approach to access data,
 - * Protect research
 - * Support global drug development objectives
- * **Stakeholders to embrace and work with new processes and new thinking**
- * **Ensure we get it right:**
 - * User-friendly systems
 - * Bureaucracy reduction:
 - * Flexible approaches
 - * Inter-operability
 - * Adaptable to scientific/technical advances
 - * Embraces changing macro environment



* **Thank you**

