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## EU regulatory tools for expedited antibacterial development programmes

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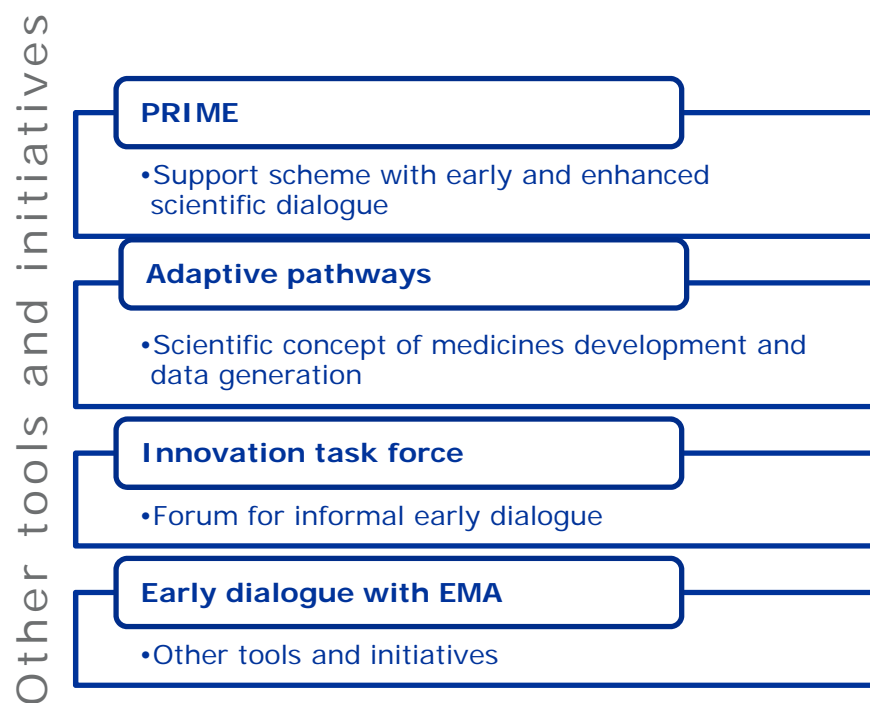
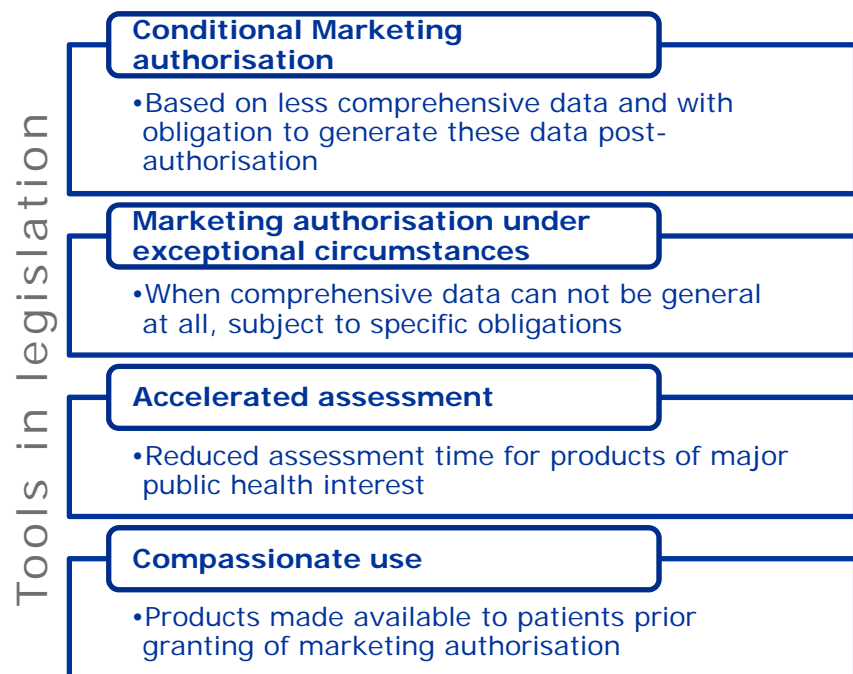
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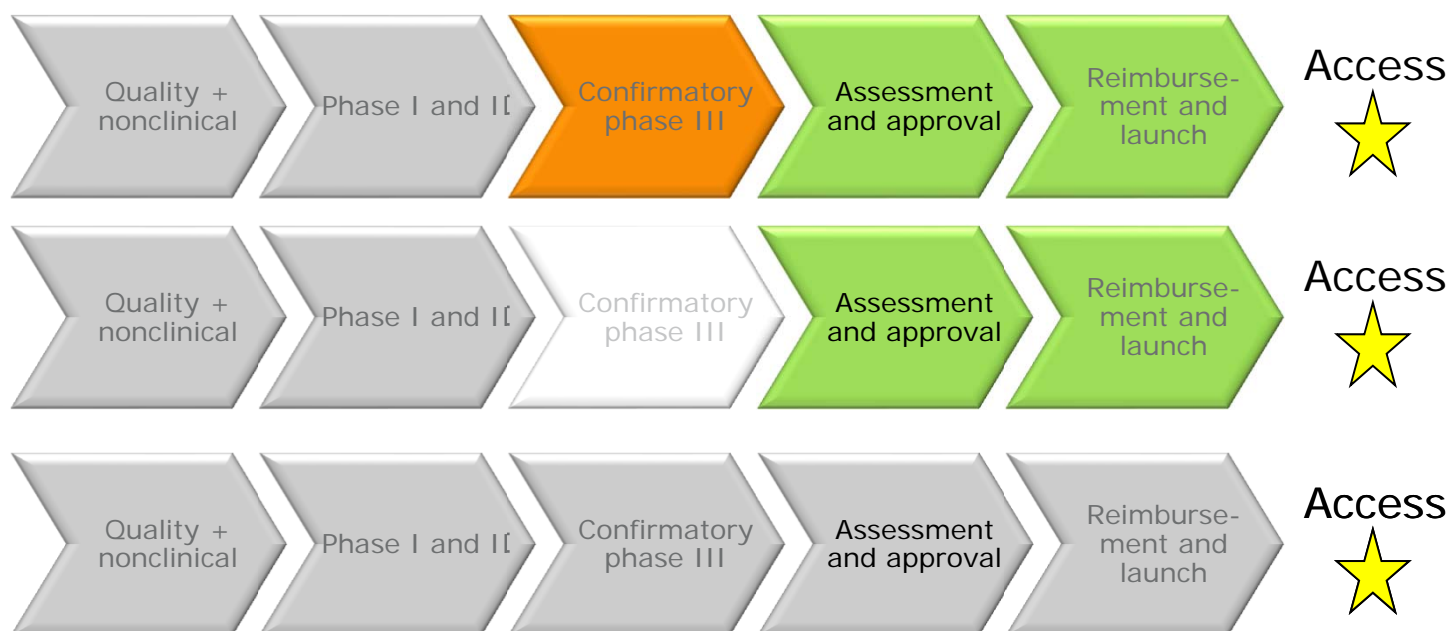


# Regulatory tools and initiatives aimed at unmet medical needs





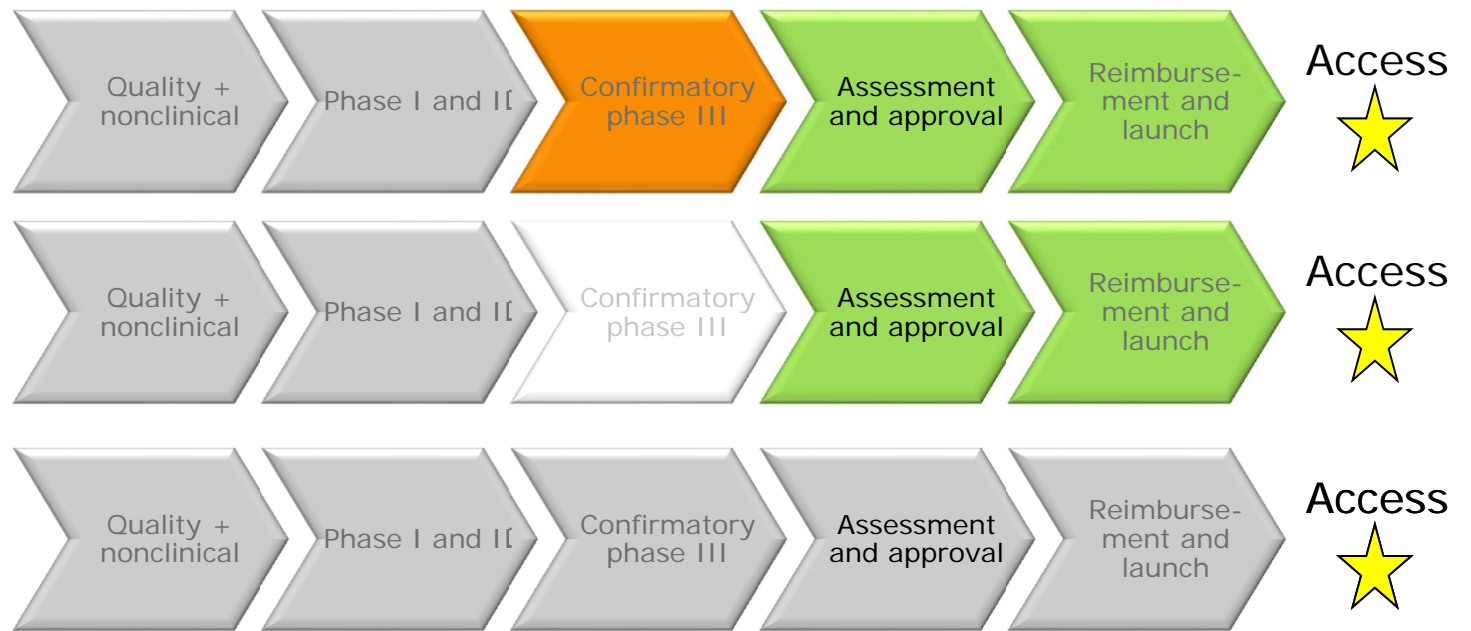
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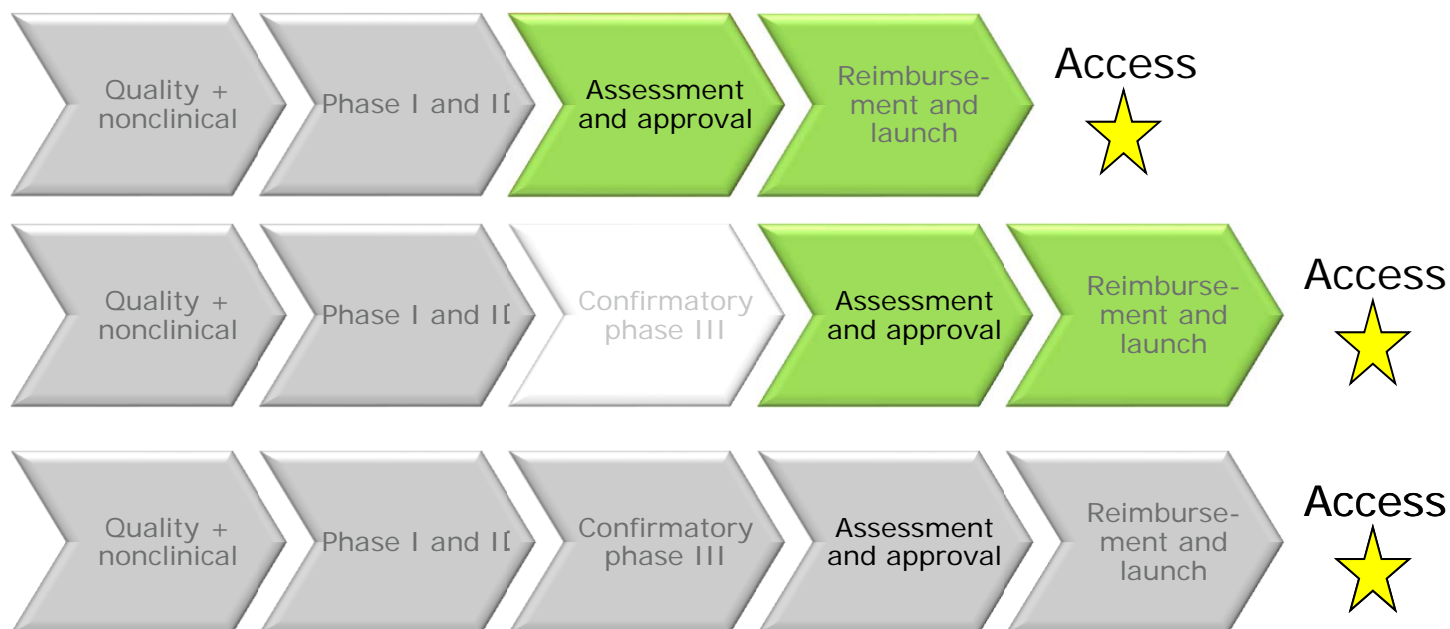
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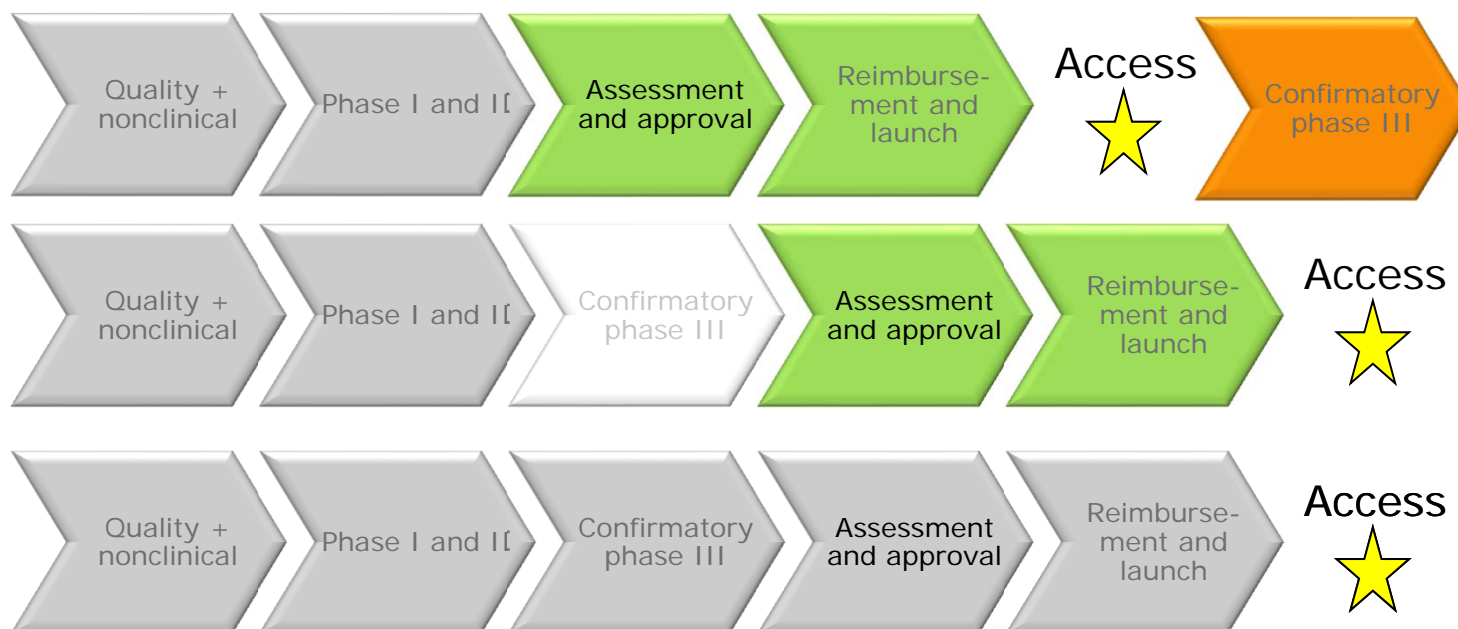
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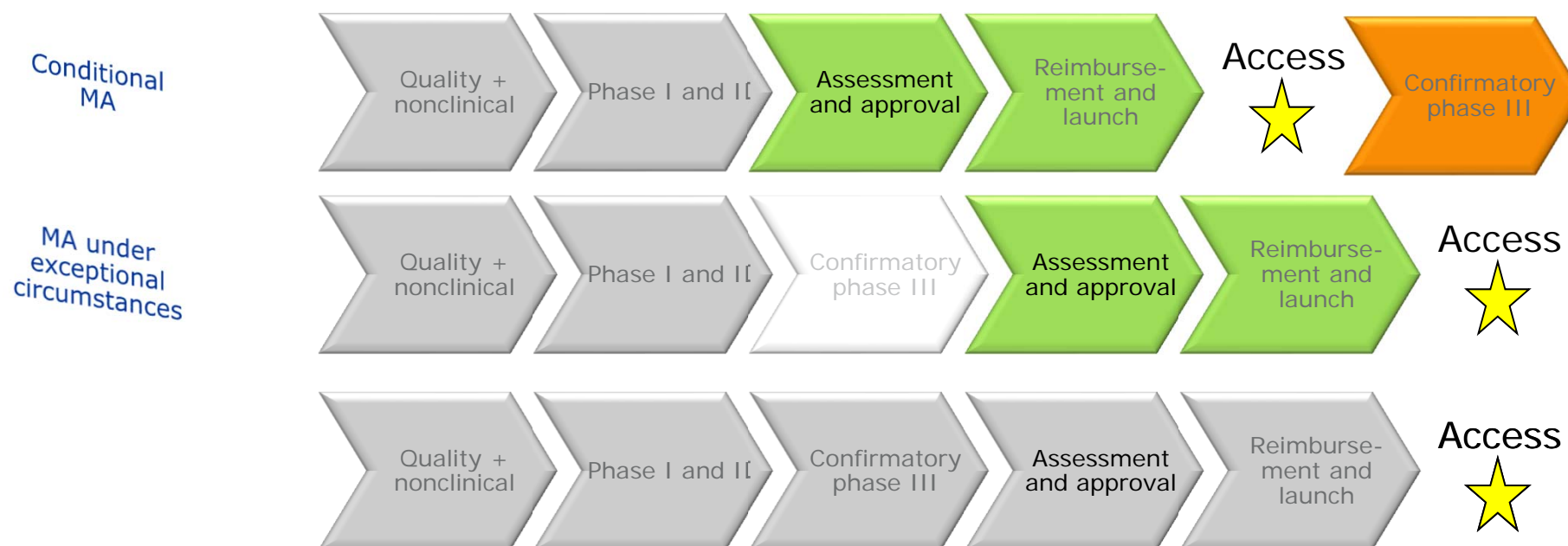
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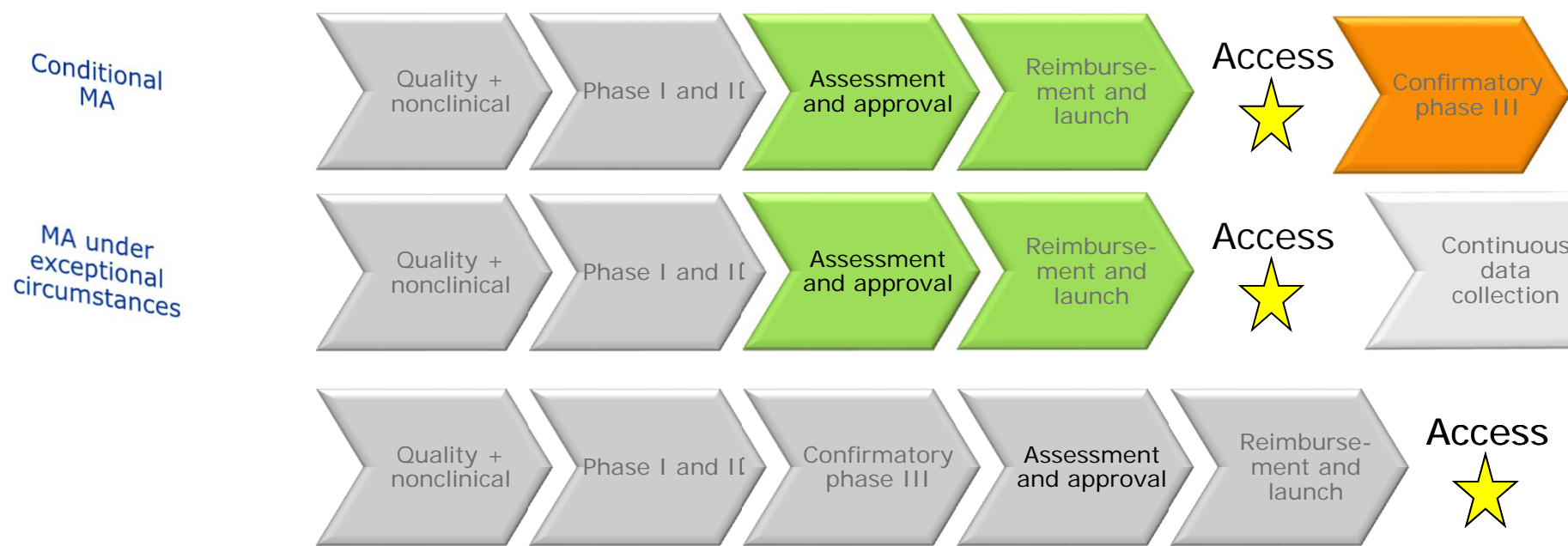


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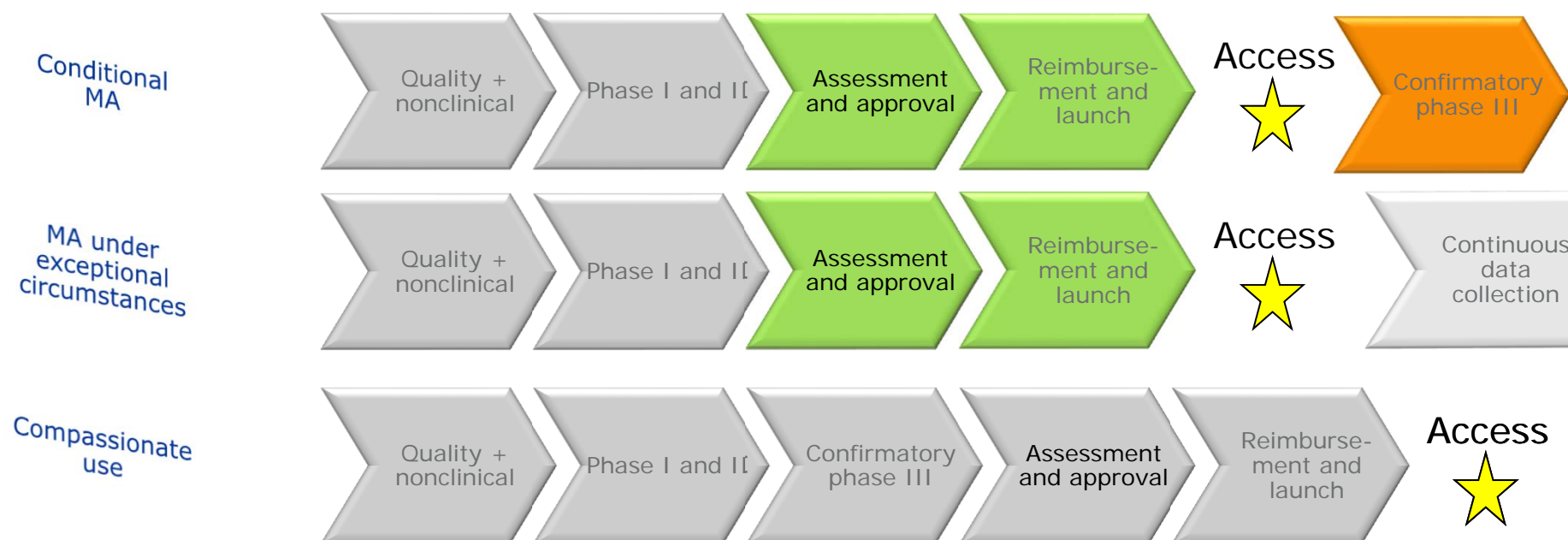
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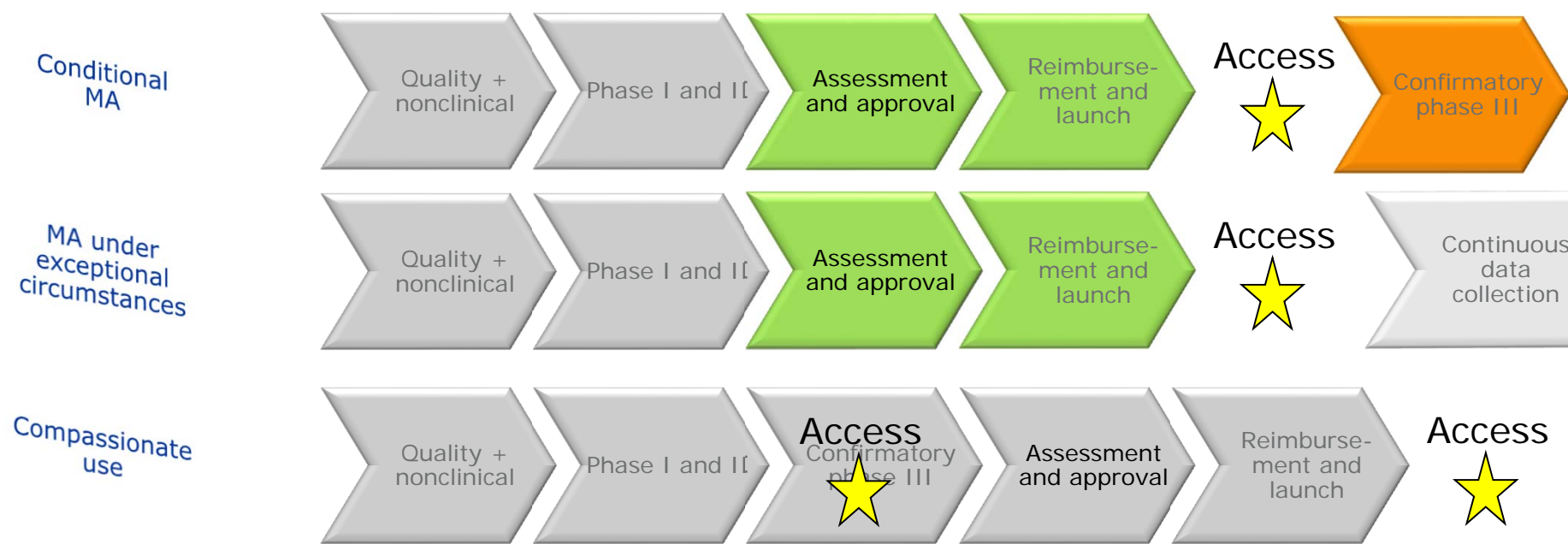


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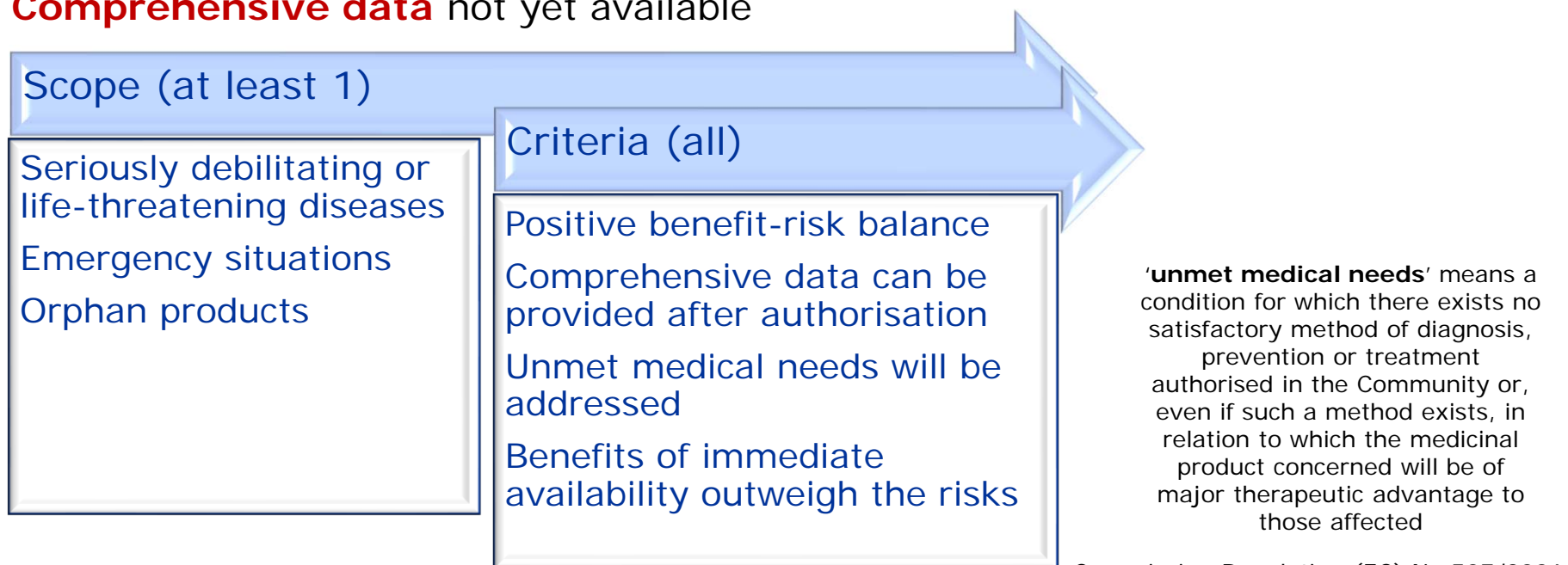
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## Conditional Marketing authorisation

**Comprehensive data** not yet available



Commission Regulation (EC) No 507/2006



## Marketing Authorisation Under Exceptional Circumstances

**Impossible to provide comprehensive data** on the efficacy and safety of the medicinal product under normal conditions of use, for objective, verifiable reasons

### Criteria (at least 1)

the indications are encountered so rarely that it be expected to obtain comprehensive evidence, or  
in the present state of scientific knowledge, comprehensive information cannot be provided, or  
it would be contrary to generally accepted principles of medical ethics to collect such information

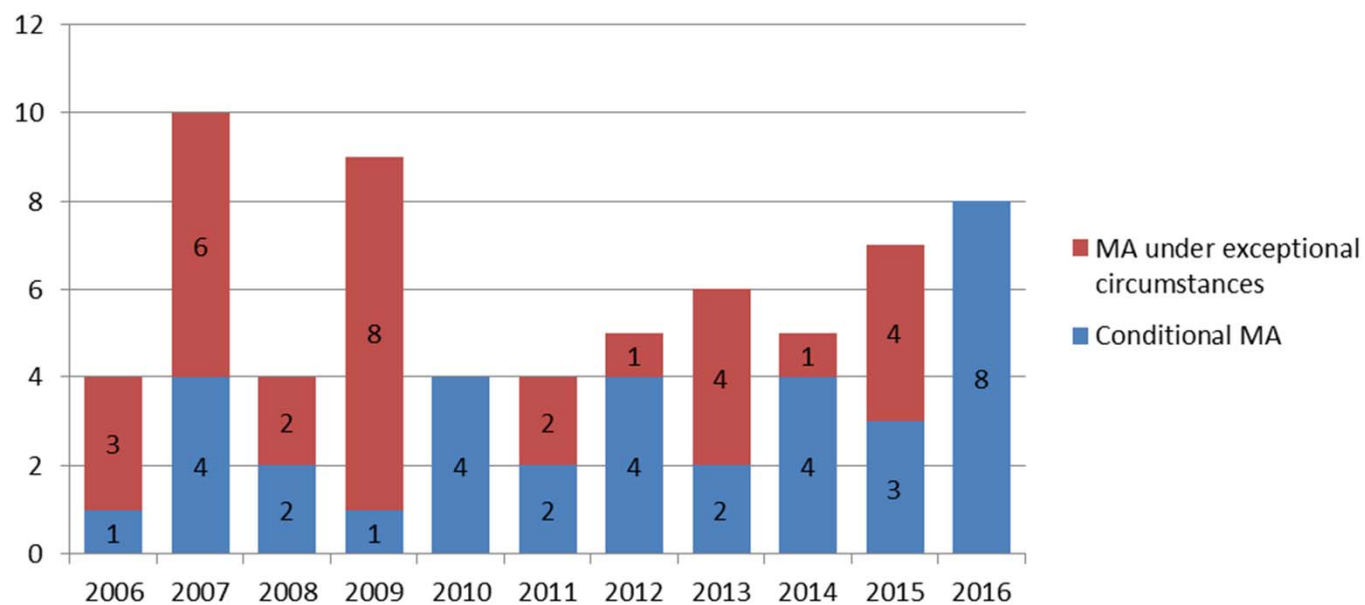


## Comparison

Conditional MA	MA under exceptional circumstances
Comprehensive data <b>after authorisation</b>	Comprehensive data <b>not possible</b>
To later <b>switch</b> to 'standard' MA	To remain such <b>indefinitely</b>
Valid for <b>1 year</b> only (annual renewals)	Valid for <b>5 years</b> (renewable) + annual re-assessment
Possible in centralised procedure only	Possible in all registration procedures
<b>Specific Obligations</b> + may have conditions	<b>Specific obligations</b> + may have conditions

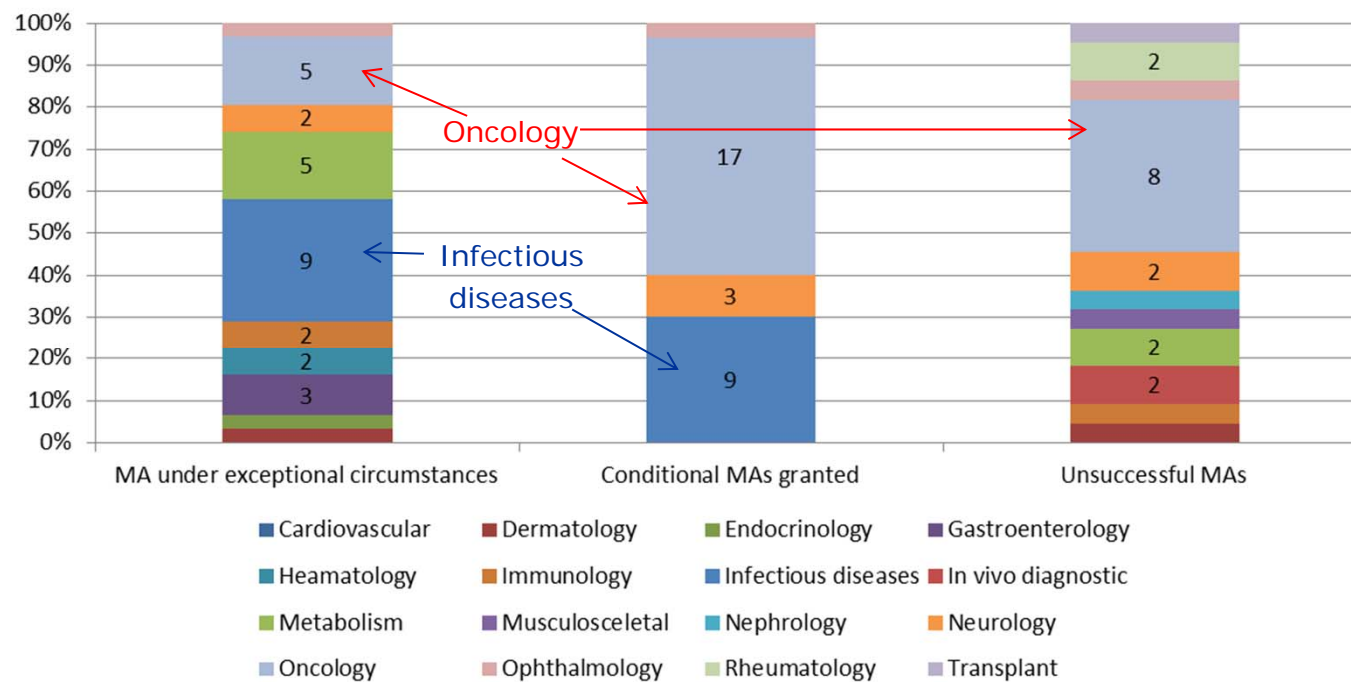


## Last 10 years in numbers





# Therapeutic areas





## Accelerated Assessment

- AA reduces the timeframe for review of an application to up to 150 days.
  - The Old AA split the assessment in **120/30** days.
  - The New AA split the assessment in **90/30/30** days.







## Scientific Advice



- Scientific advice can be provided on **ANY scientific question** – quality, non-clinical and clinical
- At **any time point of the development** – early advice with subsequent follow-up is recommended
- **Broad advice on eligibility** of the proposed development for Conditional approval/Exceptional circumstances
- **Protocol assistance** for designated orphan medicinal products
- **Qualification of biomarkers** and other novel methodologies
- Possibility of **Parallel Consultation with HTA bodies**
- Possibility of **Parallel Scientific Advice with FDA**



## Parallel Consultation with regulators and HTA

### Synergy through alignment of evidence generation plans

#### Starting point: Regulators and HTAs

- answer different questions
- have different requirements in terms of evidence

#### Aim: decision makers come together early to discuss

- the planned development including populations / comparators / design of trial / endpoints
- the requirements for post-licensing evidence generation

**Expectation:** Optimised evidence generation plan → Improve access for patients

***Across the life cycle; early, late, and qualification (non product related)***





- **EMA/FDA Parallel scientific advice:**
- **Review in parallel sponsor's scientific questions**
- **Discuss** via teleconference or in writing
- **Provide oral feedback to sponsor** at trilateral meeting
- **Provide individual formal feedback** to sponsor as outcome
- **EMA/FDA Consultative Advice option** allows sponsors to request scientific advice from one regulatory agency and concurrently notify the other regulatory agency of the request

***Independently from the above options, new development plans are mutually discussed between FDA, PMDA, HC and EMA on a monthly basis***



## Eligibility to PRIME scheme

Based on Accelerated Assessment criteria



Medicinal products of major public health interest and in particular from the viewpoint of therapeutic innovation.

- Potential to address to a significant extent **an unmet medical need**
- Scientific justification, based on data and evidence available from nonclinical and clinical development

No satisfactory method or if method exists, bring a major therapeutic advantage

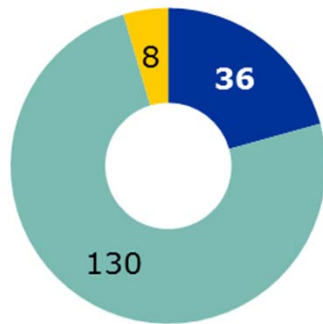
Introducing new methods or improving existing ones

Meaningful improvement of efficacy (impact on onset, duration, improving morbidity, mortality)

# Two years of PRIME



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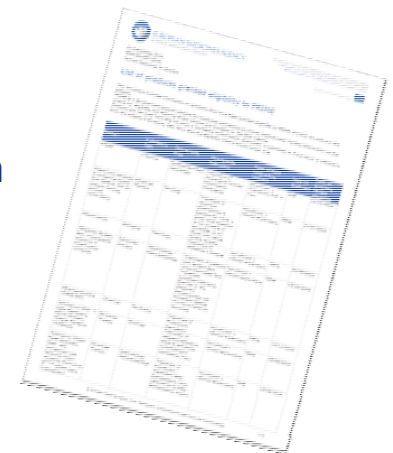
■ Granted ■ Denied ■ Out of scope\*

**22% success rate**

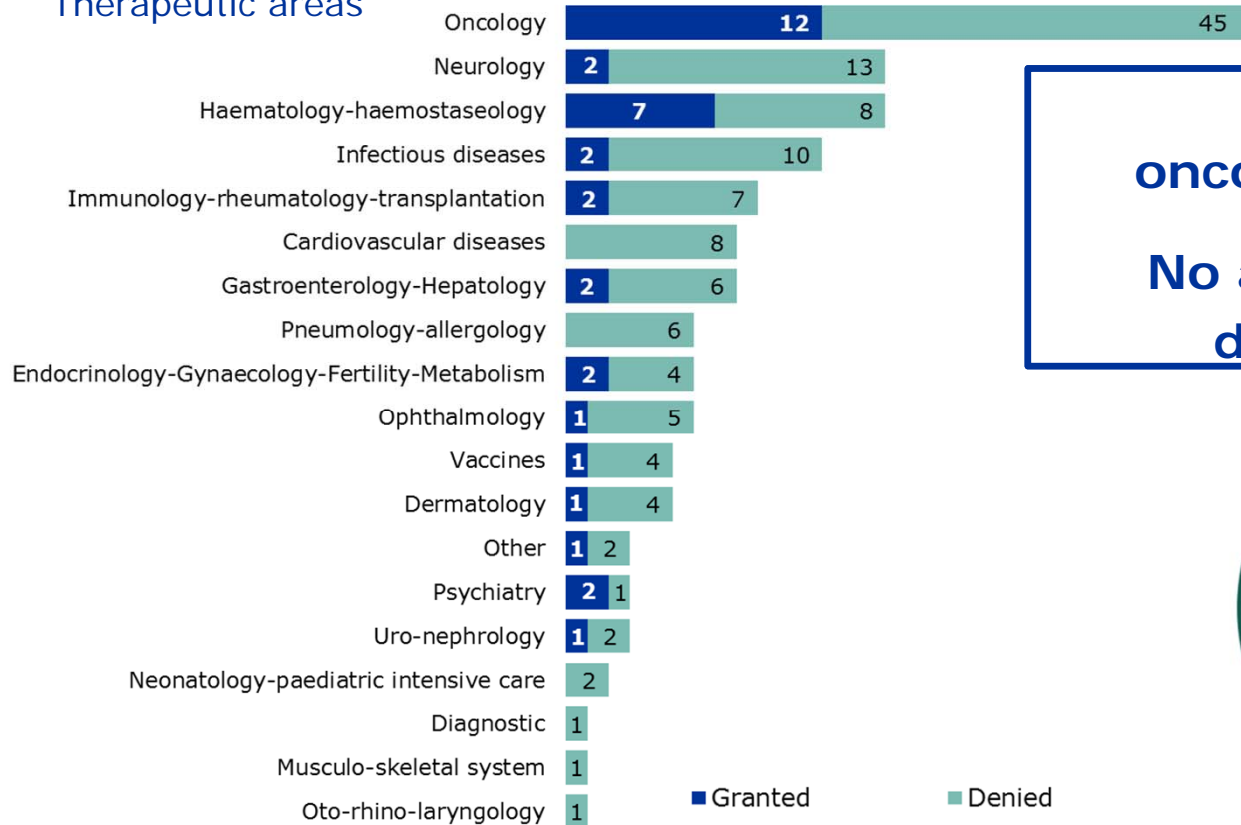
**174 eligibility requests**  
**> 50% from SMEs**  
**36 granted\***



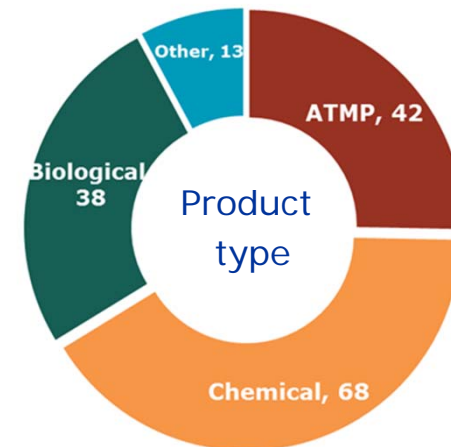
**+**  
**Publication of**  
**report and list**  
**of products on**  
**EMA website**



## Therapeutic areas



**>40 % in oncology/haematology**  
**No antibacterial agent designated so far**





## Features of the PRIME scheme

Early access tool, supporting patient access to innovative medicines.



- **Written confirmation of PRIME eligibility** and potential for accelerated assessment;
- **Early CHMP Rapporteur appointment** during development;
- **Kick off meeting** with multidisciplinary expertise from EU network;
- **Enhanced scientific advice** at key development milestones/decision points;
- **EMA dedicated contact point**;
- **Fee incentives** for SMEs and academics on Scientific Advice requests.



## EMA Guidance to developers of new antibacterial agents

- ❖ **CPMP/EWP/559/95 Rev 2 (2011)** Guideline on the evaluation of medicinal products indicated for treatment of bacterial infections
- ❖ **EMA/CHMP/351889/2013** Addendum to the guideline on the evaluation of medicinal products indicated for treatment of bacterial infections

*These two guidelines will be merged into a single updated document*

*Concept Paper to be released soon*

- ❖ **EMA/CHMP/594085/2015** Guideline on the use of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics in the development of antimicrobial medicinal products
- ❖ **EMA/CHMP/187859/2017** Addendum to the guideline on the evaluation of medicinal products indicated for treatment of bacterial infections to address paediatric-specific clinical data requirements.

- ❖ ***DRAFT just released for consultation.***  
23 2018-04-22 - M Cavaleri - ECCMID - EMA regulatory considerations for novel antibacterials





## Conclusions

- EMA makes various tools available to facilitate the development of new antibacterial agents
- The guidelines to industry in this area have been expanded and continuously updated in light of emergent needs
- Several options for interaction with EMA, from formal to more informal, are available and early dialogue is strongly encouraged
- Dialogue with international regulators and HTAs is increasing
- EMA creates also other opportunities to bring stakeholders together, e.g. dedicated workshops



# Any questions?

## Further information

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