



Review of the Paediatric and Orphan Regulation

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57 years of EU pharmaceuticals regulation

SAFETY – EFFICACY - QUALITY

Thalidomide disaster exemplifies the need for EVIDENCE-BASED AUTHORISATION



1965

1st EC legislation: medicines need to be authorised before being placed on the market

1995

Centralised, EU-wide procedure for authorisation – creation of the EMA

2004

Last major revision – extending scope of centralised procedure, simplification

2002

Legislation on medicines for rare diseases

2006

Legislation on medicines for children

2007

Regulation on advanced therapy medicines

2022

Revision of general pharmaceutical acts packaged with revision of the O/P legislation

2010

New EU Pharmacovigilance rules: better prevention, detection and assessment of adverse reactions, direct patient reporting of adverse events

2011

Legislation against falsified medicines

2020

Pharmaceutical strategy for Europe: addresses long standing challenges, learnings from COVID-19

Responsibilities shared between EU and Member States



By EU-level standards

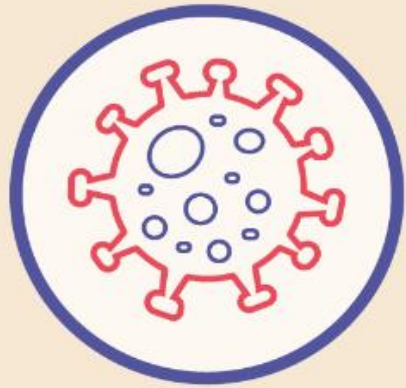
- Centralised authorisation procedure
- Inspections of manufacturing sites
- Pharmacovigilance
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EMA and network of National Competent Authorities

- Decentralised procedure and mutual recognition procedure to authorise medicines in MS
- **Organisation and delivery of health services and medical care**
- **P&R for medicinal products or their inclusion in the scope of national health insurance schemes**

Strictly MS competence!

PHARMACEUTICAL STRATEGY FOR EUROPE



Learning from
COVID-19,
towards a crisis-
resistant system



Ensuring
accessibility and
affordability of
medicines



Supporting
sustainable
innovation,
emerging science
and digitalisation



Reducing medicines
shortages and
securing strategic
autonomy

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Revising the pharmaceutical legislation

A comprehensive review of the pharmaceutical legislation is ongoing:

- **Simplification and streamlining** of approval procedures and flexibility for timely adaptation
- Adapt legislation to **cutting-edge products, scientific developments** and transformations
- Take forward the use of **high performance computing and AI**
- **Ensure environmental sustainability** of manufacturing and use of pharmaceuticals

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Thank you



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