



Public Health Impact of the Orphan Drug Regulation

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Indicators of public health impact

- Process indicators

- Other regulations, policy documents, programmes or strategies
- At EU and national level

- Outcome indicators

- Development of a community of stakeholders
 - ✓ Meetings, workshops
- Development of infrastructures
 - ✓ Patient registries
 - ✓ Expert networks
- Increased number of clinical trials

Impact on EU policy development

- In the field of Orphan Drugs:
 - 26 January 2007: Regulation on Medicinal Products for Paediatric Use
 - 31 May 2007 : Regulation on Advanced Therapies
- In the field of Rare Diseases:
 - 1st Community action programme on Public Health (1999-2007)
 - ✓ Rare diseases as one of the priorities
 - ✓ Target: improving knowledge and facilitating access to information
 - ✓ Orphanet Europe
 - 2nd Community action programme on rare diseases (2008-2013)
 - ✓ Exchange of information via existing networks
 - ✓ Strategies and mechanisms to encourage transnational cooperation: European Reference networks of Centres of Expertise

EU policy development in Public Health

January 2004

- **Rare Disease Task Force** at www.rdtf.org
 - Working party on Coding and Classification
 - Working party on Indicators
 - Working party on Standards of Care
 - OrphaNews Europe: 12,000 readers every two weeks

11 November 2008

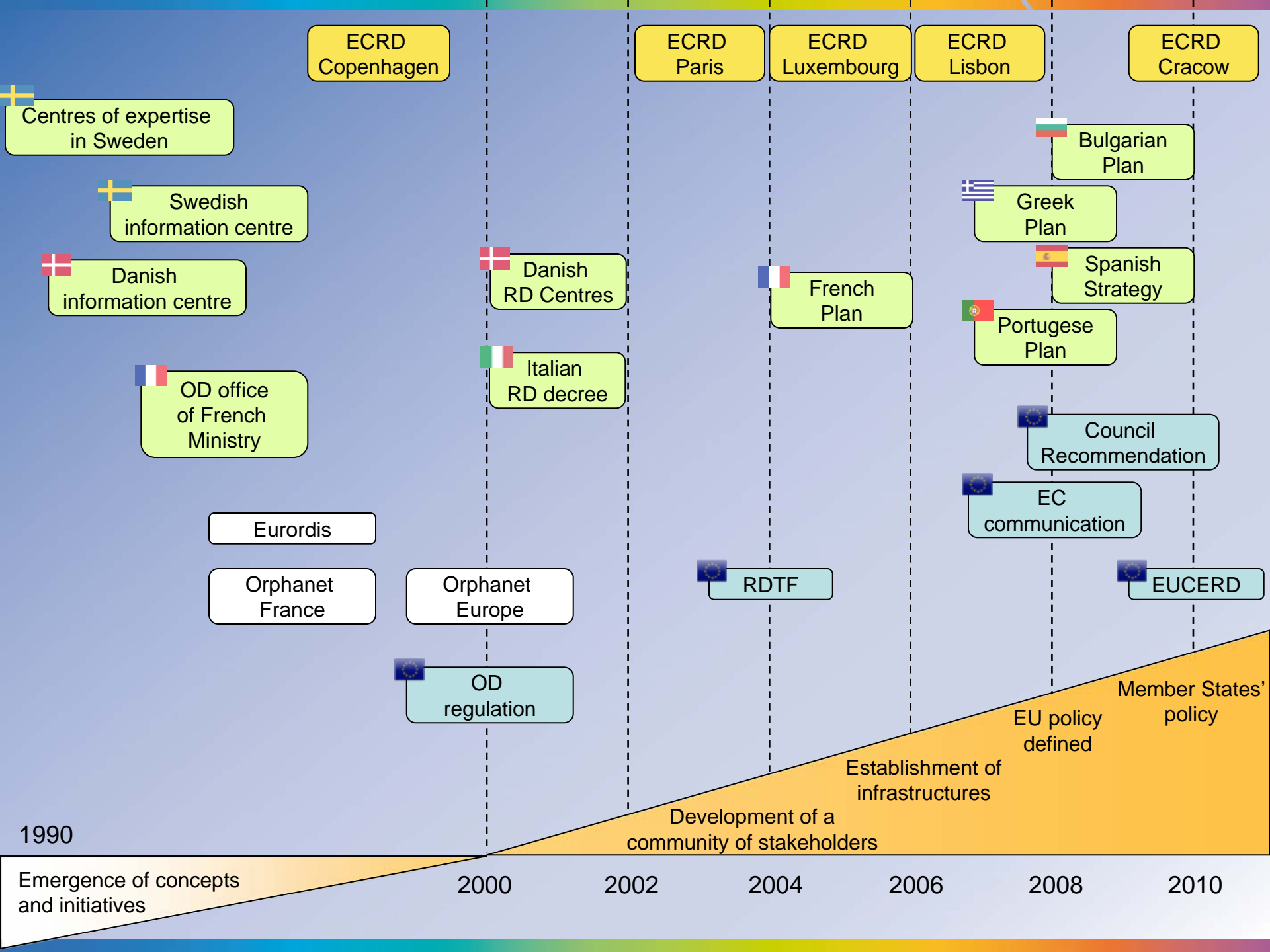
- **EC Communication** « Rare Diseases: Europe's challenge »

9 June 2009

- « **Council Recommendation** on an action in the field of rare diseases »

30 November 2009

- **European Union Committee of Experts in Rare Diseases:**
 - 51 representatives of MS, of EC DGs, of patients, of experts, of the Industry



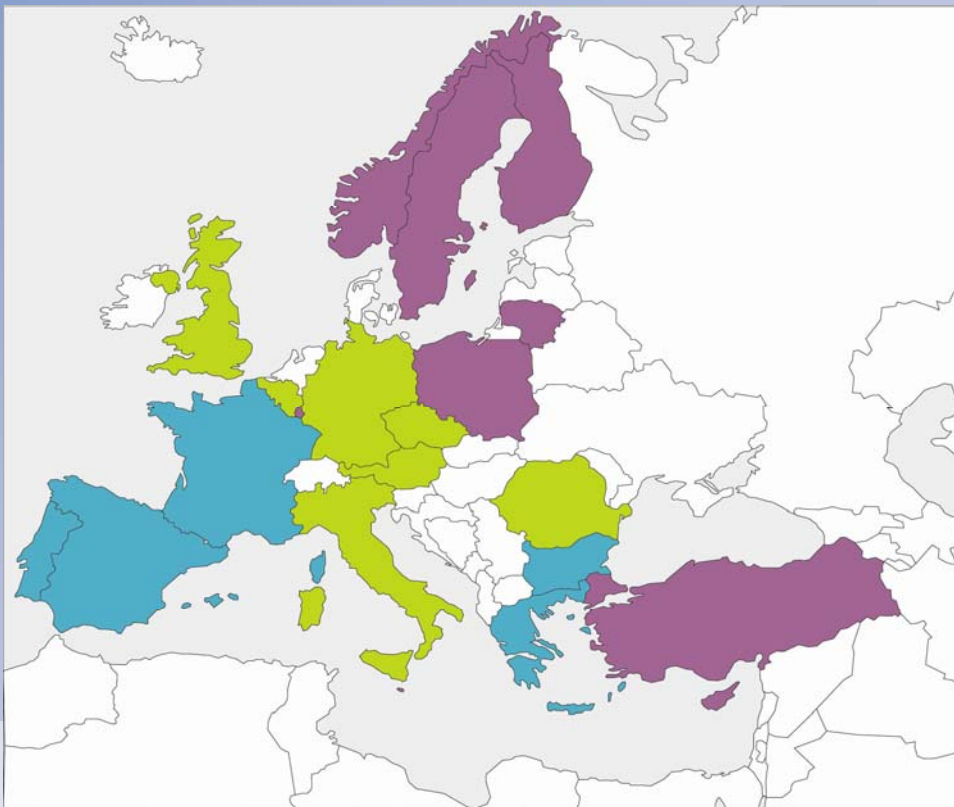
Policy development in Member States

Adopted

- 2004: French Plan / 2010: 2nd French Plan
- 2008: Portuguese Plan
- 2008: Greek Plan
- 2009: Bulgarian Plan
- 2009: Spanish Strategy

In preparation

- Austria
- Belgium
- Czech Republic
- Germany
- Italy
- Romania
- UK



First steps taken

(RD Committees established/
investigations into situations planned):

- Cyprus
- Finland
- Luxembourg
- Lithuania
- Malta
- Norway
- Poland
- Sweden
- Turkey

Specific services to be provided

- **Services expected from the health care system**

- Proper health care system
- Affordability of clinical services
- Medical Genetics services
- Services for disabled people
- Availability and affordability of Orphan Drugs

- **Additional expert services for RD**

- Research funding
- Expert centres / Expert laboratories
- Information/training
- Patient organisations

Trends in Rare Disease Inventory and Classification



Orphanet directory of diseases

- **Comprehensive list of rare diseases: over 6,000**

- Identity card + genes
- Unique Orpha number
 - ✓ Stable despite the evolution of knowledge
 - ✓ Linked to parent and child diseases in every classification
- **Files available on request**
- Suitable to code clinical activity / lab activity in information systems

- **Classifications of rare diseases**

- List of all published classifications
- Visualisation of each classification
- Possibility to click at any level to obtain detailed information

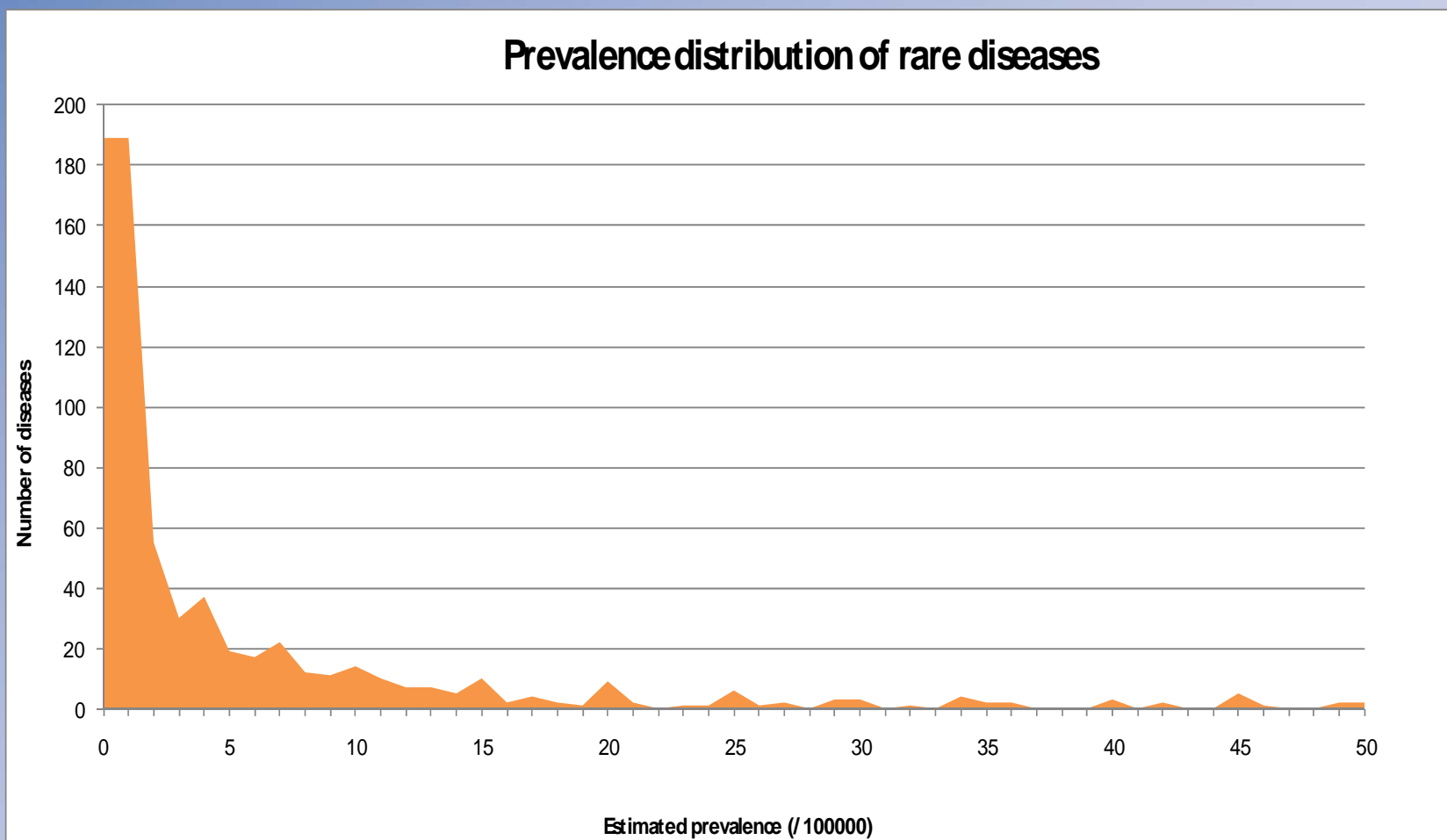
RD will be in the next edition of ICD

- All rare diseases should be finally listed in the Index of ICD11: the International Classification of Diseases to be published in 2014
- Rare Diseases serve as a model to shape the future structure of ICD11 as they are lower nodes in any hierarchy and in all fields of medicine
- Multi-terminology server aims to allow interoperability between Orphanet classifications and multiple terminologies (SnoMed-CT, MedDRA, MeSH....)

Contribution of RD categories in % of total prevalence

● Dysmorphology	16.40	● Ophthalmology	3.72
● Oncology	10.87	● Pneumology	3.45
● Neurology	10.78	● Infectiology	2.59
● Metabolism	7.39	● Neuromuscular	2.42
● Haematology	6.82	● Vascular disease	2.21
● Cardiology	6.69	● Ear-Nose-Throat	1.79
● Bone	5.55	● Nephrology	1.65
● Dermatology	5.36	● Gastroenterology	1.65
● Internal Medicine	4.53	● Hepatology	1.34
● Endocrinology	4.46	● Immunology	0.32

Distribution of prevalence rates



European Networks



Call for proposals from DG Public Health
since 2007

Calls for proposals from DG Research
since 2000



Current Pilot Networks

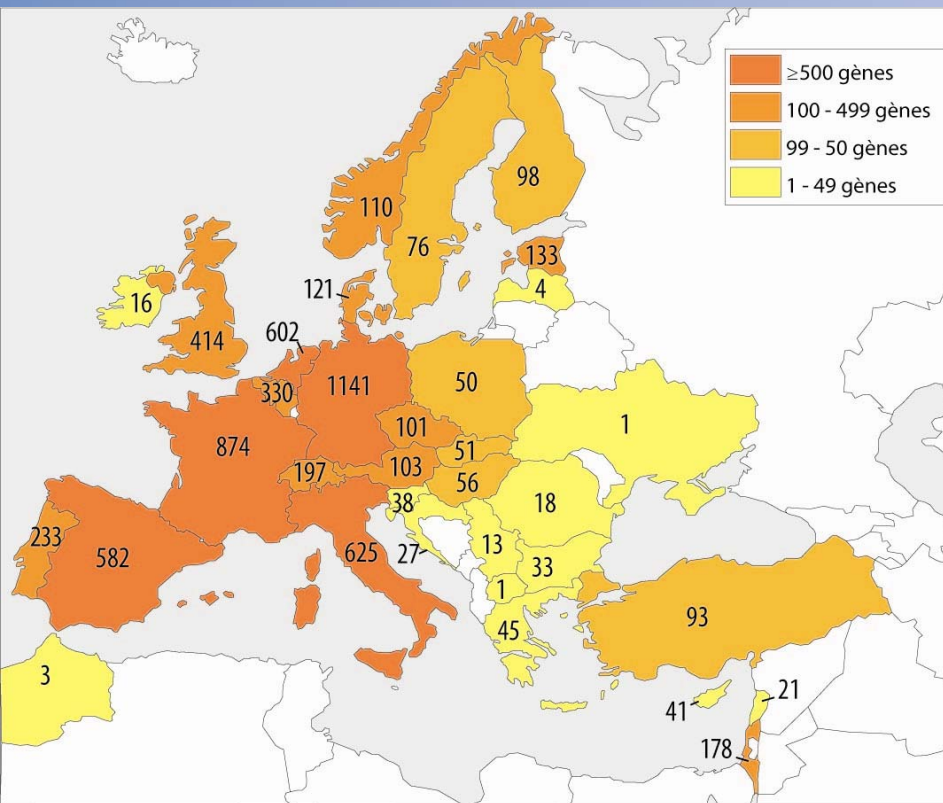
- European network of **paediatric Hodgkin's lymphoma**
Project Leader: University of Leipzig (D)
- European Network of Reference for **Rare Paediatric Neurological Diseases (NEUROPED)**
Project Leader: European Network for Research on Alternating Hemiplegia (AT)
- A reference network for **Langerhans cell histiocytosis** and associated syndromes
Project Leader: Assistance Publique Hôpitaux de Paris (FR)
- European Centres of Reference Network for **Cystic Fibrosis (ECORN-CF)**
Project leader - Klinikum der Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Germany
- European Network of Centres of Reference for **Dysmorphology**
Project leader - University of Manchester, UK.
- Patient Associations and **Alpha1 antitrypsin** International Registry (PAAIR)
Project leader - Stichting Alpha1 International Registry, the Netherlands
- European **Porphyria** Network - providing better healthcare for patients and their families (EPNET)
Project leader - Assistance Publique - Hôpitaux de Paris, France
- European Network of **Rare Bleeding Disorders**
Project leader - Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy

Trends in Diagnostic Test Development

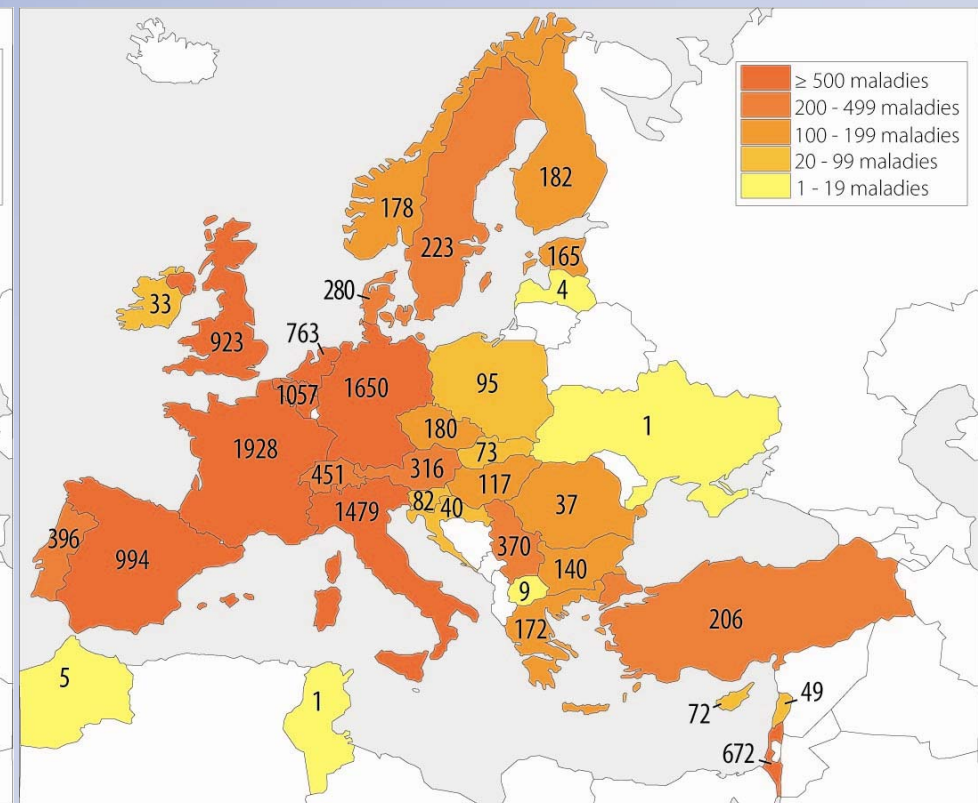


Major progresses in gene identification translated into diagnostic tests

Number of genes tested by country



Number of diseases tested by country



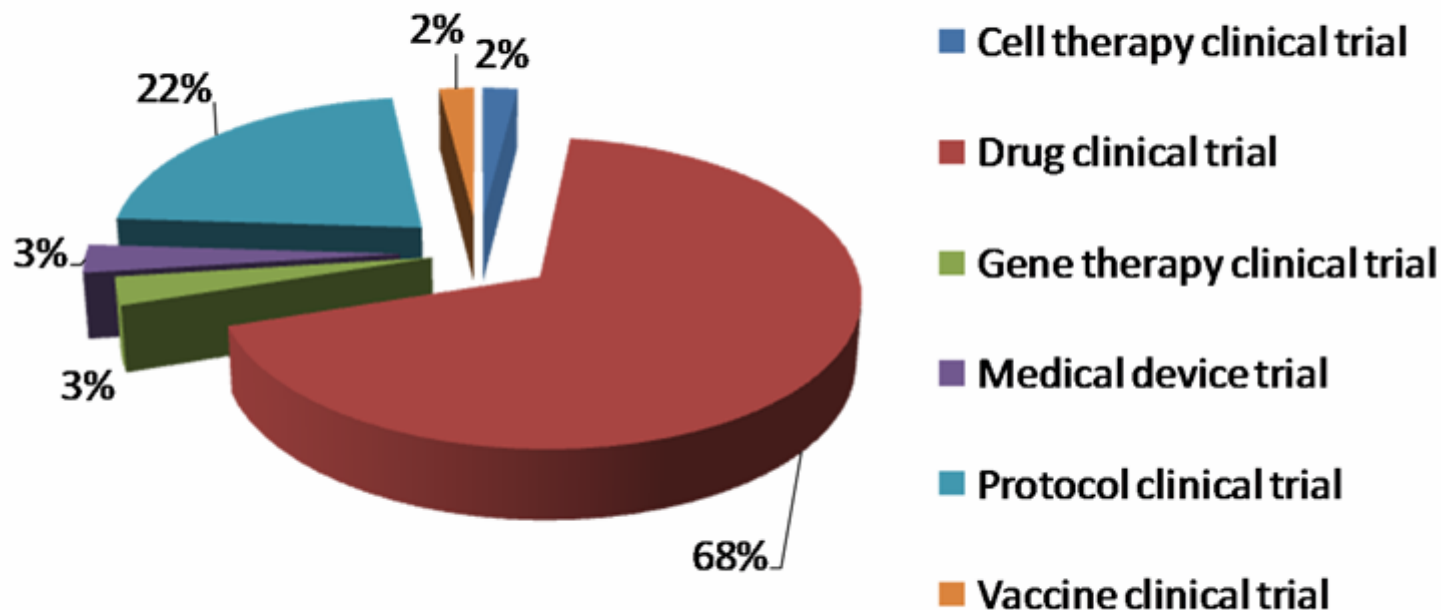
Trends in Clinical Trials





666 ongoing national or international unique clinical trials for 312 diseases

Percentage of clinical trials by category



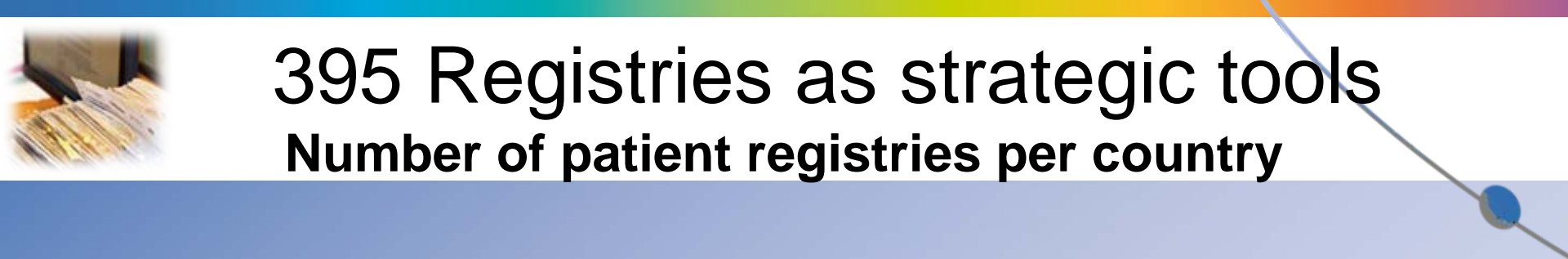


Rare Diseases with the highest number of clinical trials in Europe

Leukemia, myeloid, acute	45	Hodgkin lymphoma, classical	17
Leukemia, lymphoblastic, acute	34	Myeloma, multiple	17
Glioblastoma	32	Friedreich ataxia	16
Myelodysplastic syndromes	28	Mantle cell lymphoma	16
Cystic fibrosis	27	Ependymoma	14
Atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome	26	Leukemia, B-cell lymphocytic, chronic	14
Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma	20	Pulmonary fibrosis, idiopathic	14
Chronic myeloid leukemia	19	Follicular lymphoma	13
Astrocytoma	17	Leukemia, promyelocytic, acute	13
Graft versus host disease	17	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	12

Trends in Patient Registries





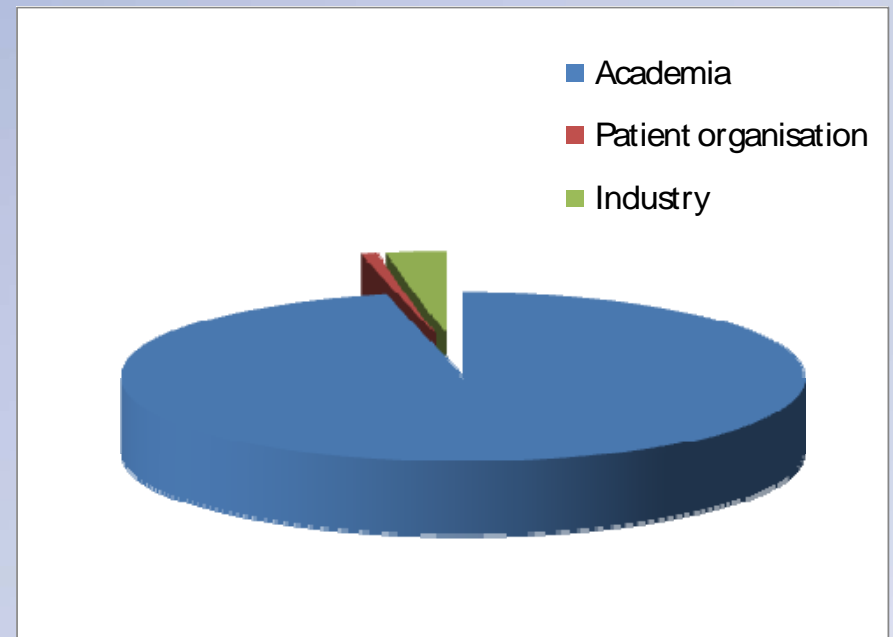
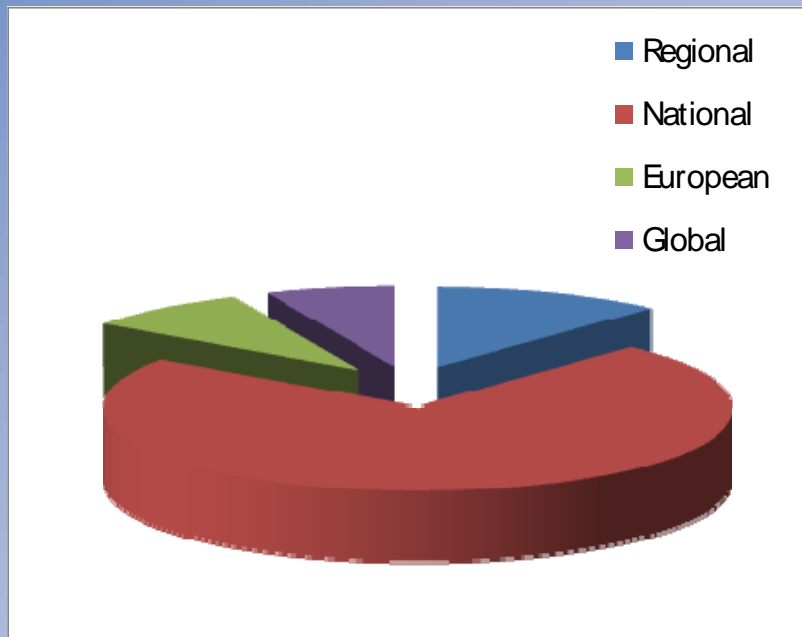
395 Registries as strategic tools

Number of patient registries per country

● France	103	● Ireland	9
● Germany	51	● Portugal	7
● Great Britain	50	● Switzerland	6
● Italy	47	● Greece	2
● Spain	28	● Bulgaria	4
● Belgium	19	● Denmark	3
● Netherlands	10	● Romania	2
● Austria	13		
		● Orphanet Report Series on Orphanet front page	



Characteristics of Patient Registries

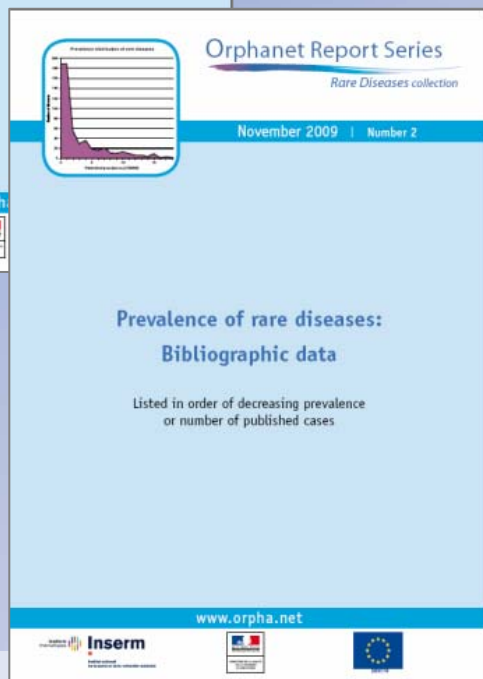
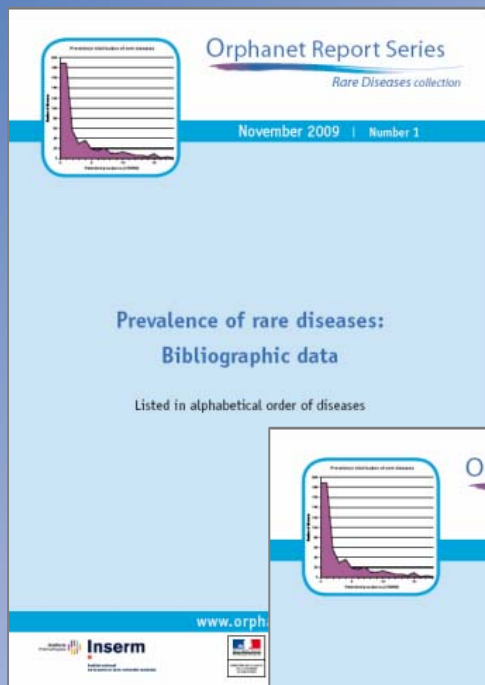




60 International Patient Registries around a medicinal product

- Cystic fibrosis
- Alpha 1 anti-trypsin
- Bleeding disorders
- Langerhans cell histiocytosis
- Severe chronic neutropenia
- Biliary atresia
- Neuromuscular diseases
- Wilson disease
- Fanconi anemia
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Metabolic diseases: Gaucher, Fabry, Pompe, MPS1...
- Ondine syndrome
- Primary immunodeficiencies
- Retinal dystrophies
- Huntington disease

Documents available on orpha.net



The way forward...

- Close surveillance of policy developments
 - EUCERD annual report at www.eucerd.eu
 - OrphaNews Europe at www.orpha.net
- Dialogue and cooperation between stakeholders
 - EUCERD as the tool
 - Orphanet as a Joint Action by 2011
- A common view shared by member states on key issues
 - Assessment of the clinical added-value
 - Public/private partnership for patient registries when there are products in development or marketed



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