Rare diseases and orphan drugs: The HTA perspective

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What makes XXXX so special?

• XXXX can be:

- Small populations
- ATMPs
- Orphan drugs (COMP)
- Personalized medicine
- Histology independent (agnostic)

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Unless a deviation is agreed on beforehand by all stakeholders, the gold standard for drug approval is still the randomized clinical trial (RCT)

The gold standard, the RCT

> Might not be considered feasible due to

- Size of the population
- Inability to measure a 'relevant' outcome
- Ethical concerns
- Time required to run such trials
- Ability to fill evidence gaps

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Ordning for hurtig metodevurdering av legemidler for særskilt små pasientgrupper med svært alvorlig tilstand

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How Norway plans to handle small populations

- Rare is not a criterion in itself, it is the context that is relevant
- The requirements regarding the quality of effect documentation can be lowered
- The willingness to pay might be higher than usual
 - Global prevalence of 1/100 000 + less than 50 patients in Norway
 - Absolute shortfall of ~30 QALYs
 - Expected gain of at least 2 QALYs

Why is what is good enough for approval not good enough for reimbursement?

Healthcare Technology Assessment (HTA)

• is the systematic evaluation of the properties, effects, and/or impacts of health technology.

Purpose- to address the direct, indirect, intended, and unintended benefits and consequences of the adoption of healthcare technology.

-Hailey, Babidge, Cameron, & Davignon 2010



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Benefit/Risk versus Cost-effectiveness

RCT



Efficacy

Does it work in experimental setting

Population selected

Placebo or a selected comparator



Effectiveness

How does it work in medical practice

Patients as they come



Many alternative treatments

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HTA



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ICER = Incremental costs (A-B) Incremental benefit (A-B) Economic evaluation

'the comparative analysis of alternative

courses of action in terms of both their

costs and consequences'

(Drummond McGuire, 2001)

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 - We need to talk!



Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products for Rare Diseases: State of Play of Incentives Supporting Development in Europe

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Development of archetypes for non-ranking classification and comparison of European National Health Technology Assessment systems

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System Process Archetypes





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3 Collaboration between regulators, HTAs and payers

The regulation and assessment of medicines can no longer be carried out in isolation. Strong collaboration between regulators, HTA bodies and payers can boost medicine development and facilitate an early and affordable access for patients to innovative treatments. Chantal Bélorgey, Ad Schuurman and Michael Berntgen discuss the challenges and benefits of fostering mutual understanding among decision-makers. Scientific advice and protocol assistance requests received - subset special programmes



- Requests for parallel SA and protocol assistance with international regulators
- Requests for joint SA and protocol assistance with HTA
- Scientific advice for PRIME products
- Requests for qualification of novel methodologies

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