

Joining forces to promote evidence-based medical practice worldwide

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Promoting evidence-based decision in medical practice

- Clinical research
 - Development of innovative healthcare products and strategies
 - Comparative assessment of efficacy and safety of healthcare strategies
- Treatment optimisation and healthcare cost containment, for the benefit of health professionals, of health authorities and of patients worldwide
 - requires access to patients and expertise: global clinical research
 - requires knowledge transfer



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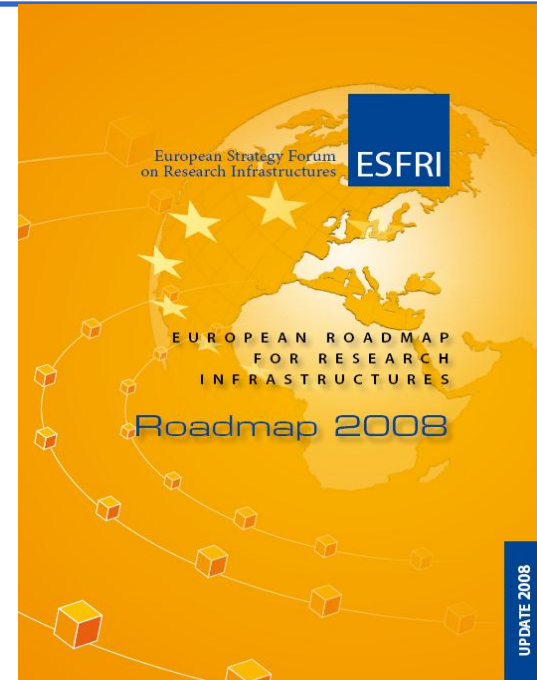
FORWARD LOOK

Implementation
of Medical Research
in Clinical Practice



1 - Need for infrastructure

- Professional support to academic investigators and sponsors in
 - design, management, analysis of trial
 - patient investigation
 - able to support multinational trials
- Local, national and regional level
- Interoperable
 - Common standards, tools, practice
 - Harmonised training
- Globally connected
 - OECD GSF recommendation



2 - *Need for harmonised and risk-adapted governance and legislation*

- Revision of the 2001/20/EC clinical trials Directive
 - Regulation -> harmonisation
 - Simplification
 - Risk-based approach
- OECD Global Science Forum: facilitating multinational cooperation in non-commercial clinical trials
 - harmonisation
 - OECD Council Recommendation on risk-based governance
 - combined stratified and customised approach



3 - Need for funding to multinational clinical trials

- FP7 health priority
“investigator-driven clinical trials”
- Comparative effectiveness research
- Innovative Medicines Initiative ?
- Combination of national funding sources ?



4 - Need for transparency and optimal use of data

- Why transparency in clinical research ?
 - Healthcare professionals and users of the healthcare systems deserve optimal use of efficacy and safety data, worldwide
 - Patients take personal risks to generate data
 - Tax payers contribute to the public funding
 - Journals and funding agencies need credible results and interpretation
- 1 - Registration of trial before recruitment
- 2 - Access to full protocol and amendments after completion
- 3 - Access to recruitment performance
- 4 - Disclosure of conflicts of interest, incentives
- 5 - Reporting of clinical trial results
- 6 - Access to raw, anonymised trial data after reporting
 - Re-analyses, meta-analyses
 - Quality of data, credibility of aggregated results and interpretation