Moving HTA forward: The challenges of incorporating real world evidence into Health Technology Assessment

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Increasingly complex external HTA environment

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Current developments in HTA

- HTA developments: spread, referencing and networking
- HTA Harmonisation with regulatory: 'relative efficacy/effectiveness'
- 'Early HTA engagement': scientific advice
- HTA decision criteria, managed access ('process' vs 'event')
- TRUST agenda: Quality assurance and audit
- Earlier 'real world' evidence: eg. pragmatic controlled trials
- Moving beyond HTA: care pathways, collaborative solutions
- Payer evidence generation mainstream in Pharma R&D

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At the core of HTA is relative effectiveness

- Effectiveness DOES vary by country: comparator, absolute/relative risks, system effects
- Outcomes considered important, valuing or combining outcomes
- Attitudes to aspects of effectiveness are culturally relative
- May be hard to measure directly at launch

Experience with EUnetHTA WP5 joint pilot

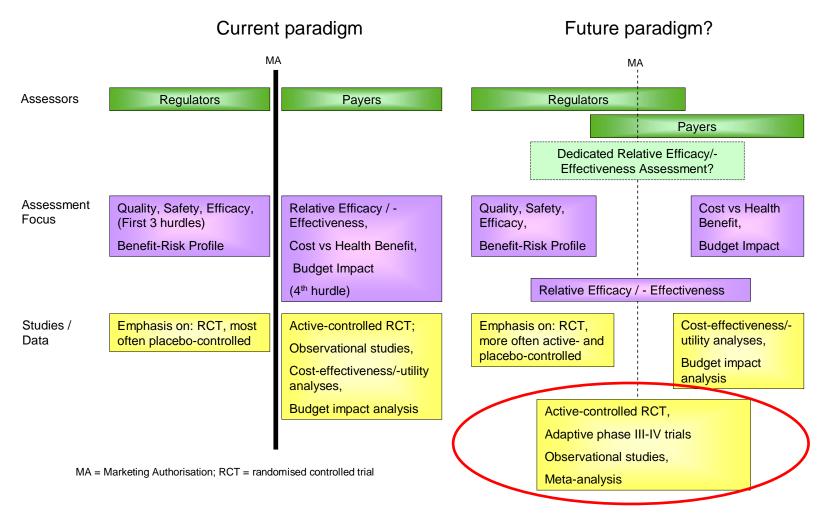
Pazopanib for advanced renal cell carcinoma (Dec12) http://www.eunethta.eu/outputs/wp5-ja1-pilot-pazopanib-reportappendix

- Status of progression free survival as an endpoint
- Status of indirect comparisons: strength of evidence
- Acceptability of statistical analysis on OS to adjust for crossover
- Separate analysis of benefits and risks
- Acceptability of modelling: projection of effectiveness beyond direct measurement
- Measurement of uncertainty
- Difficulty in co-ordinating assessment for certain domains (organisational, legal, ethical)



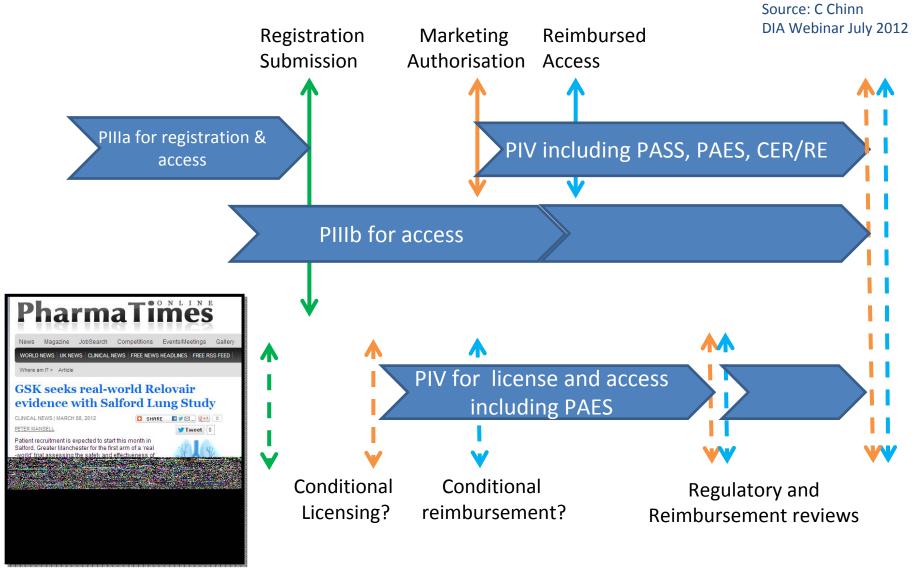
Relative Efficacy vs Relative Effectiveness

What might the Regulatory/HTA Interface look like in the future?



How Regulatory Agencies could interact with Health Technology Bodies Source: Lonngren et al DIA, Berlin, Mar09

A continuum of evidence generation



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Tailoring Pharma evidence development programmes for HTA decision making

Phase 3a Phase 3b Conditional Conditional Phase IV "optimise" "supplement" Licensing? Access? "commit"

R & D decision

- What combination of possible studies will provide the most valuable information to those who control access - in order to maximise the probability of positive access outcomes?
- What is the feasibility of the study options pre-launch and what would be required as commitments post launch?
- How do study/programme options reconcile with the regulatory process?

HTA decision

- With all the available data, would we predict an improvement in patient outcome or care pathway efficiency over and above current practice in this healthcare system with a reasonable level of certainty?
- Would we accept the uncertainty for a period of time while waiting for studies to complete or for new studies to be run?

Motivation for GetReal

Healthcare decision makers needs information to address 'efficacy – effectiveness' gap

- Performance in real world clinical settings relevant to the local decision maker
- Comparison to existing treatments forming standard care
- Impact on patient relevant outcomes / over a longer time period

Current initiatives on relative/comparative effectiveness research focus on post launch

- Study designs/analyses for pragmatic/effectiveness estimation available, standards being developed
- Greater understanding of drivers of effectiveness compared to efficacy
- Use of real world Electronic Health Records and disease registries

Opportunity to adapt such techniques to pre-launch

- Augment RCT evidence with evidence/estimation of relative effectiveness
- May lead to regulatory and payer decisions with less uncertainty

.... but there are many practical issues

- ? Optimise PIIIa Registration studies for HTA without jeopardising regulatory objectives
- ? Conduct Pragmatic or Adaptive PIIIb studies within ethical and legal frameworks
- ? Managing cost, operational feasibility of conducting e.g. larger EHR-enabled trials pre-authorisation

Integrating heterogeneous trial and observational data to inform predictive modelling of effectiveness likely to require application of new analytical techniques



Project Vision

For Pharmaceutical R&D and healthcare system decision makers to jointly understand how real world data and analytical techniques can best be used to improve the value of information available at **marketing authorisation:** contributing to better informed and more consistent assessments underpinning patient access to new medicines.

Lasting impact

To provide a methodological and analytical framework that informs policy and process evolution beyond the life of the project and at an international level; and to provide tools, techniques and training that ensure that the potential of real world data can be exploited in drug development.

EUnetHTA and Regulatory networks

13 Academic groups & patient/ HTA/ regulatory organisations

15 Pharma Companies

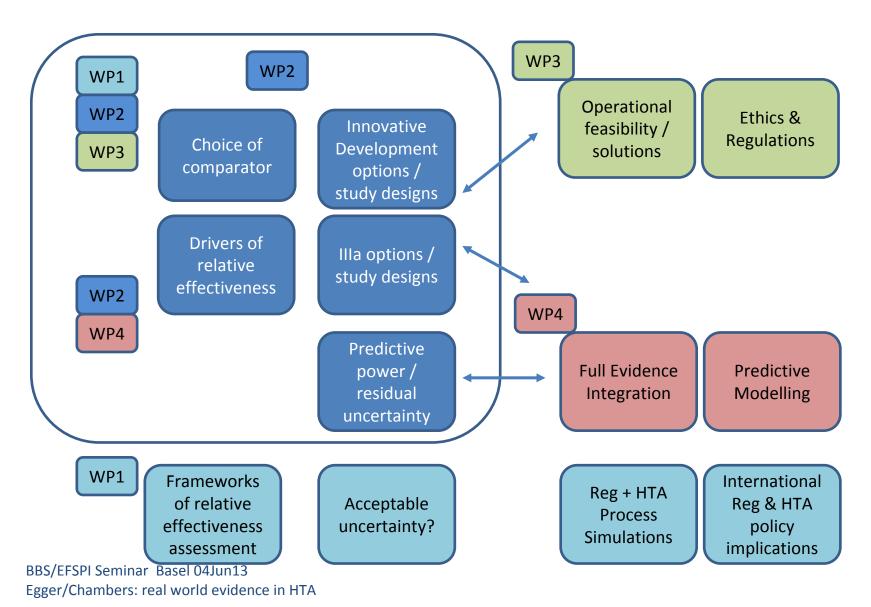
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IMI GetReal: Project deliverables and benefits

- Frameworks developed jointly by Regulatory, HTA and Industry experts for use in:
 - R&D strategy development, study design (comparators, endpoints, patients, care protocol)
 - Early Scientific Advice
 - HTA reviews of evidence base
- Practical solutions: enable implementation of studies of greater value for RE assessment
 - Translation from theory to practice
 - Regulatory and ethical reviews
 - Infrastructure and capability requirements / training & education
- Advances in methodology to reliably predict effectiveness from available data
 - Support extrapolation from optimised PIIIa studies
 - Increase acceptability of innovative PIIIb study data in evidence synthesis
 - Define the focus for post launch commitments
- Aligning innovation in evidence generation with evolution of regulatory & HTA processes
 - Understand how to evolve processes in a coordinated way without unnecessarily raising burden of evidence generation
 - Signal/avoid unintended consequences
 - Share insights and seek alignment with initiatives outside EU

IMI GetReal: Work Package Themes



IMI GetReal WP4 Overview

