



Pharma Industry Support to Innovative Therapies for Rare Diseases

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Delivery of Responsive Health Services to the Affected Population"*
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01 Industry Commitment

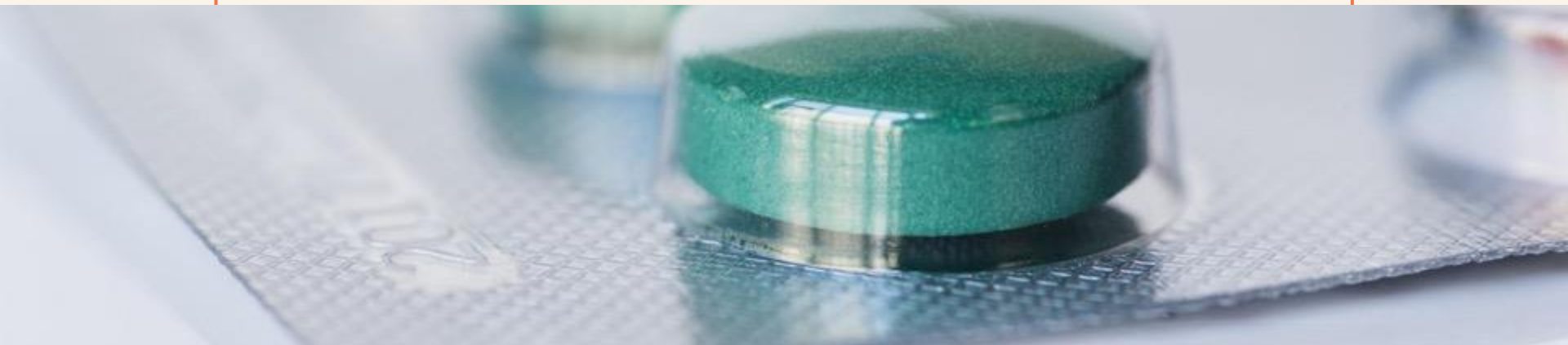
Challenges in accessing orphan drugs, and our commitment

02 Supporting Access

- a. Early Access
- b. Registration, CSP, and off-label use
- c. Patient Access Programs
- d. Building the Rare Disease Community

03 Recommendations for Greater Access

Collaboration is key. We provide a set of recommendations to facilitate access in the Philippines.



A close-up photograph of a hand holding a small, round, green pill between the thumb and index finger. The background is blurred, showing a person's face. An orange rectangular box is overlaid on the bottom left of the image, containing white text.

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Accessing **orphan drugs** is a challenge

Only 5% of rare diseases have an approved orphan drug.

1. Regulatory challenges
 - Varying processes
 - Limited expertise
2. Access challenges
 - HTA challenges
 - Payment challenges and out-of-pocket expenses

Policy Principles to meet the challenge of **Rare Diseases**



**Rare Diseases
as a public
health priority**



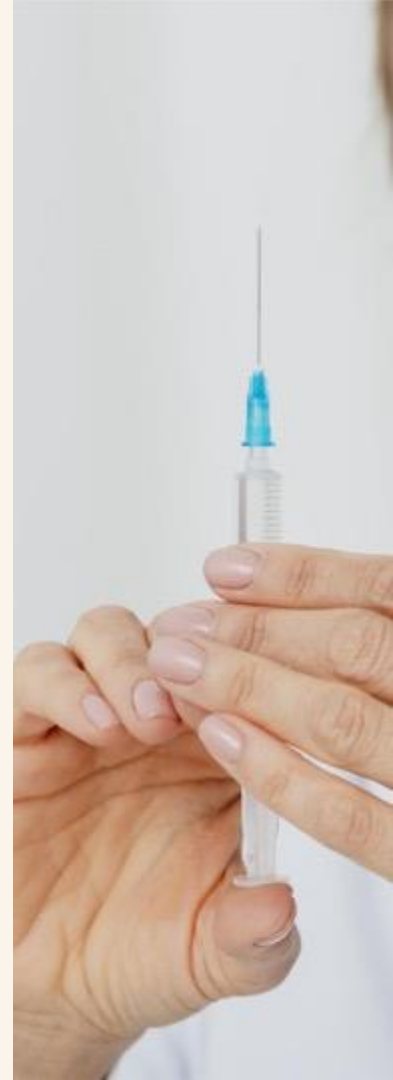
**Promoting
continued R&D**



**Empowering patients
and their
communities**



**Ensuring sustainable
patient access to
diagnosis, treatment,
and care**



Four Strategic Pillars for Successful Product Introductions

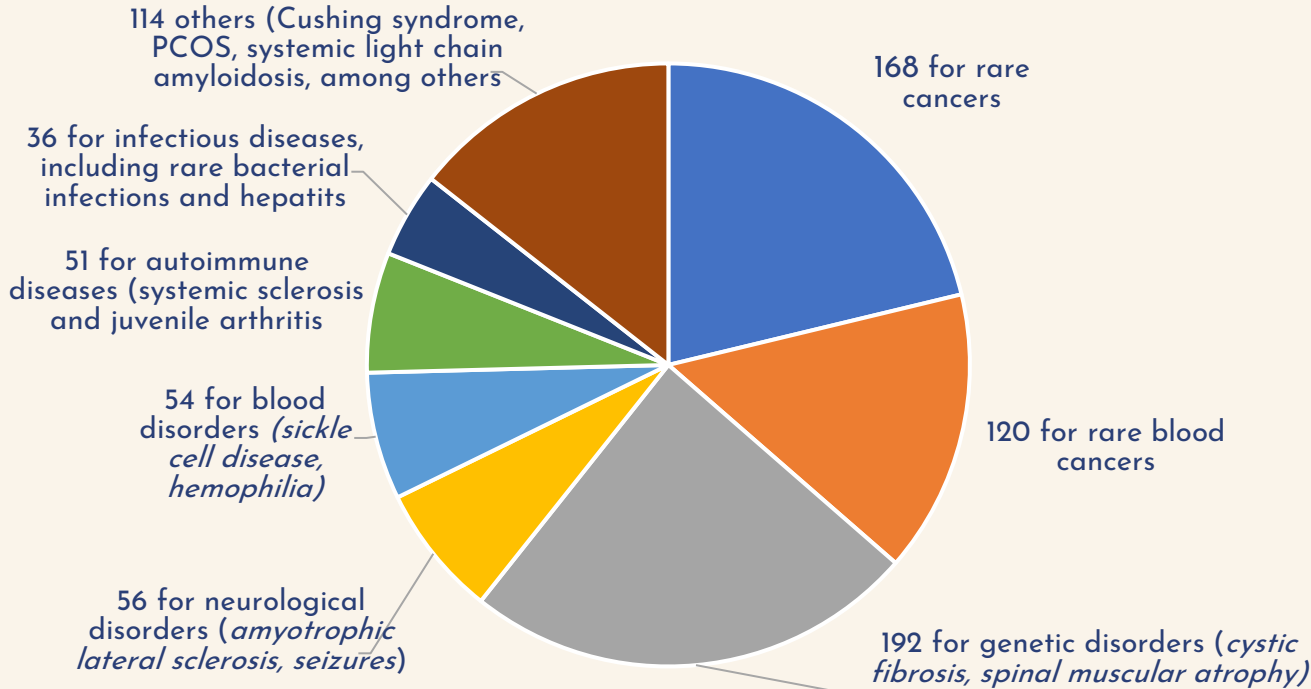
1. Commitment to the rare disease community
2. Patient group identification
3. Patient access
 - Devising early access programs to enable subsequent market availability
 - Minimizing the time between diagnosis and start of treatment
 - Helping to close potential funding gaps
4. Patient and caregivers' support



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The Pharma Industry Orphan Drug Research Pipeline

PhRMA 2021 Report on (791) Medicines in Development (All in clinical trials or awaiting US FDA review)



MEDICINES IN DEVELOPMENT | 2021 REPORT



More Than **700** Medicines in Development Pipeline for Rare Diseases

Rare diseases may have small patient populations, but they are anything but rare. More than 400 million people worldwide are affected by one of the approximately 8,000 rare diseases known to exist today in the U.S., as many as 30 million people have a rare disease and about 80% of rare diseases are genetic in origin with the vast majority—about 50%—impacting children.*

In the U.S., a disease or condition is defined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as rare—or orphan—when it affects fewer than 200,000 people.* Many rare diseases impact significantly smaller groups of patients, sometimes as small as a few hundred or even less.

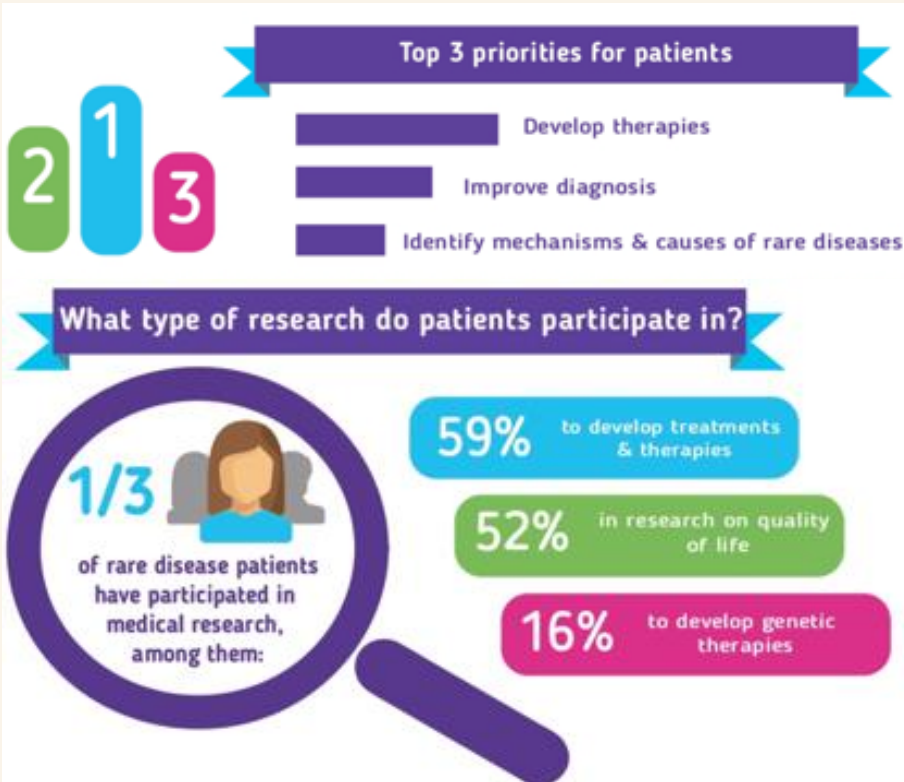
For people with a rare disease, simply getting a diagnosis can be a complicated, lengthy and frustrating journey. Inadequate diagnostic tools and limited awareness of rare diseases, along with available treatment options make it difficult to identify and diagnose rare diseases. On average, it can take more than seven years, and an often burdensome process, for a rare disease patient to receive an accurate diagnosis.*



PhRMA

HOPE as scientists uncover more about rare diseases at the molecular and genetic levels, driving the development of innovative treatments for rare diseases.

Rare Disease Research



- Contributes to the development of diagnostic tools, treatments and cures, and to improved health and social care for patients and their families
 - Increased over the last two decades
 - Involvement by patients resulted in more research, now better targeted to their needs.
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- ★ Patients not only reap the benefits of research but also are empowered and valued as partners from the beginning to the end of the research process.
 - ★ Patient participation in trial = early access + post-trial support
 - ★ Eligible Filipino patients may participate in on-going trials

PHAP Members' Activities on R&D



Developing Investigational Drugs

8 companies locally
present have
investigational
drugs



Conduct of local CTs

2 companies have
Phase III trials on
rare diseases



Providing Support

Transportation
support, post-trial
access programs
including free
medicines

Registration and Compassionate Special Permits

- Securing registration or marketing authorization ensures its availability and supply.
- Existing regulatory processes are often unsuitable for rare diseases.
- Some countries do not have legislation to promote the registration and marketing approval for orphan drugs.
- When products are not registered, patients access medicines through:
 - Compassionate Special Permit - medicines can be imported for personal use by the patient's physician from where product is approved for use. Medicines that are currently going through phase 3 trials abroad can also be accessed through CSP when no existing therapies are available. Permission is granted on a case-by-case basis
 - Off-label use - drugs that are approved for other conditions are used to treat a rare disease

Approved Orphan Drugs

8 companies locally present have globally-approved orphan drugs, available through FDA registration or CSP



*Multiple sclerosis
Growth hormone disorders
Interstitial lung diseases
Rare hemophilia, chronic iron overload,
non-transfusion-dependent thalassemia
syndromes
Hereditary angioedema
IBD (rare GI disease)
Glioblastoma and other brain cancers
Lipid storage disorders
Cytomegalovirus
Hunter syndrome
Congenital thrombotic Thrombocytopenic
purpura*

*Idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura
Metachromatic leukodystrophy
Spinal muscular atrophy
Neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorders
Huntington's disease
Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria
Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
Rare cancers (NTRK, RET+ solid tumors,
unresectable/metastatic melanoma &
advanced NSCLC w/BRAF V600
mutation etc)
Membranous nephropathy
Lysosomal storage disorders: gaucher,
pompe, mps1 and 2, fabry*

Patient Access Programs

- Facilitate affordability and timely access to innovative treatments
- Enable access for patients who are not able to benefit from reimbursement schemes
- Eligibility criteria are set to ensure that the most disadvantaged benefit
- Accessed through an accredited healthcare professional, partner facility or websites



Free Treatment

Treatments for eligible patients are given free-of-charge



Special pricing

A tiered pricing program is given to eligible patients matching capacity to pay



Bundled Support

Appropriate support given to patients, such as access to healthcare professional.

Patient Access Program Examples



Novartis Philippines works with countries with advanced healthcare systems like Singapore to facilitate referral, diagnosis, and access to chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy and gene therapies for patients with rare diseases.



Roche's Compassionate Use Program is a globally run access program in which eligible patients are given the medicine for free, prior to local FDA approval



Sanofi Genzyme International Charitable Access Program provides access to enzyme replacement therapies to Filipino rare disease patients enrolled in the program.

Patients are managed by the UP Institute of Human Genetics. Program has been supporting Filipino patients since 2003.

Building the Rare Disease Community

Novartis Phils.:

- 1st Asia Pacific Patient Innovation Summit (APPIIS) last March 2-4 2021, virtual forum including rare diseases.
- More than 500 registrants including 377 patient leaders from almost 300 different patient organizations:
 - Common concerns of patient organizations
 - Generating solutions and capability-building to address various needs and challenges as they advocate for better healthcare outcomes
- Established the Alliance and Partnerships for Patient Innovation and Solutions

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Recommendations



Recommendations to encourage clinical trials



Regulatory incentives:
faster FDA and
Institutional
Review Board
approvals



Fiscal incentives
(reduced taxes)
and funding
support



Proper
handling and
management
of
investigational
drugs that
comply with
cold-chain



Establishing
health
information
systems /
national
registry,
including
EMRs

Recommendations to encourage registration



Separate pathway for FDA, HTA that will grant faster regulatory approval



Easing regulations, providing flexibilities in the evaluation process



Availability of government support for the treatment of patients (financing mechanism)



Establishing health information system/ national registry that will provide data on the burden of disease

Recommendations to enable access programs



Faster FDA donation process, including importation, customs clearance



Fiscal and regulatory incentives



Means to ensure sustainability, that will eventually be transitioned to a national program that industry may support



Delinking access programs in the rationalization of government mandated price controls

Other areas of Support

- Supply chain/ logistics
- Discussion with potential suppliers (e.g. CSP)
- Rare Disease Registry
- Disease Awareness Programs



**“No human life should be
judged by a statistic -
every rare disease patient
deserves treatment and
support, no matter their
disease or where they live.”**

-Prasanna Kumar B. Shirol
Organisation for Rare Diseases India