



## **Innovative Medicines Initiative**

Joint research for better medicines

## Why IMI: an industry perspective



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### Vision





The European Union and the pharmaceutical industry

have joined forces to make

drug R&D processes in Europe more

efficient and effective

and enhance Europe's

competitiveness in the sector.







### **Mission**



- The largest Public-Private funding initiative in pharmaceutical research (2008-2017).
- One of the EU's *Joint Technology Initiatives* to improve industry's competitiveness in Europe.
  - €1 billion from the European Commission
  - € 1 billion in kind contribution by EFPIA
    - Funding for beneficiaries (Academics, SMEs, Regulatory Authorities, Patient Organisations)
- Accelerating R&D for safer and more effective drugs.
- Building partnerships between industry, academia, regulators (e.g. EMA), hospitals and patients' organisations in Europe.







## **EFPIA Member Companies Participation**



### Participating companies:

























































## Changing the pharma industry: What's the urgency?





Change is not necessary -

survival is not mandatory



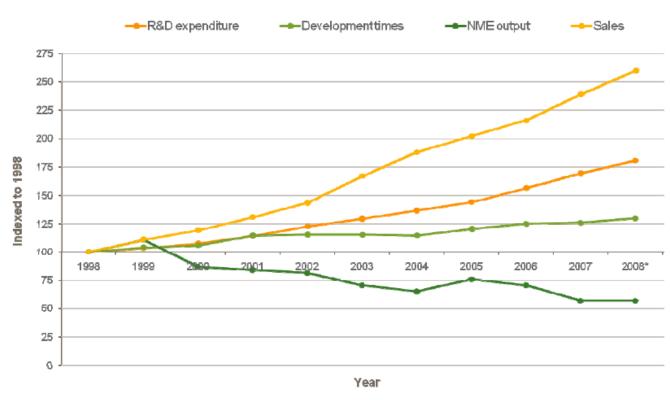




## Declining productivity



## GLOBAL R&D EXPENDITURE, DEVELOPMENT TIMES, GLOBAL PHARMACEUTICAL SALES AND NEW MOLECULAR ENTITY OUTPUT 1998-2008









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## The old model is under pressure!



## Lessons from 60 years of pharmaceutical innovation

#### Bernard Munos

Abstract | Despite unprecedented investment in pharmaceutical research and development (R&D), the number of new drugs approved by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) remains low. To help understand this conundrum, this article investigates the record of pharmaceutical innovation by analysing data on the companies that introduced the ~1,200 new drugs that have been approved by the FDA since 1950. This analysis shows that the new-drug output from pharmaceutical companies in this period has essentially been constant, and remains so despite the attempts to increase it. This suggests that, contrary to common perception, the new-drug output is not depressed, but may simply reflect the limitations of the current R&D model. The implications of these findings and options to achieve sustainability for the pharmaceutical industry are discussed.







## 2020+: The environment is changing



Growing elderly population - increasing needs for treatment/cures of chronic/neurodegenerative diseases

Increase in general wealth - an increase in life style diseases

Shift of markets towards Asia and South America: different markets, different phenotypes

From a health economics perspective, Societies will require drugs with demonstrated value

Increased competition – the generic challenge raises bar for demonstrating value

2020







## Payers & Regulatory pressure



#### **PAYERS**

Medical importance of disease

- Clinical impact
- Economic impact
- · Merits public funding

Therapeutic value of product

- Benefits clinically meaningful?
- · Place in therapy?

Benefits over existing treatments

- · Benefits in practice?
- · Benefit to patient?

Value for money

- Costs vs existing treatment?
- Increase in cost justified by the benefits?

**Affordability** 

- How many patients? For how long?
- Impact on (drug) budget?

#### **REGULATORS**

Enhanced focus on benefit/risk assessment for approval Enhanced focus on risk management & public health protection





- Higher effect sizes
- Targeting of higher unmet needs
- Lower-prevalence indications / segments



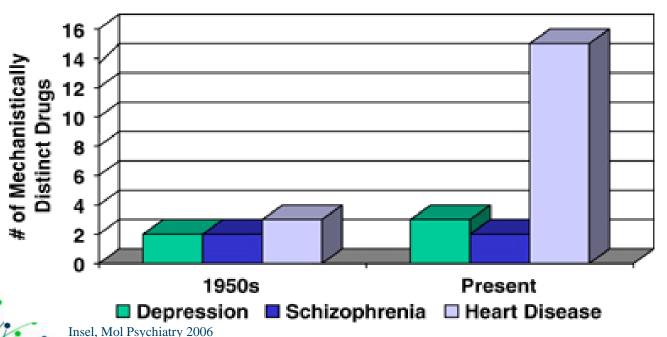




## **Understanding Disease Biology**



- Depression & Schizophrenia
- Lack of Innovation in CNS Drug Development



Lack of novel drug targets reflects lack of disease biology understanding



Translational medicine and biomarkers to help identifying subgroup-specific objective endpoints and novel treatment targets







## The Patient and Drug Discovery – two different worlds



The Clinical world – a world of diseases typically based on subjective definitions

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Our Missing link

The Molecular world – a world of diseases typically defined based on objective parameters or on Retro-pharmacology







## Translational Medicine From bench to bedside and back



#### **Forward and Backward Translation**

Setting up new processes that lead to improved clinical success

Target validation

Human tissue



Research Scientist At Bench

Molecular diagnosis

Based on disease biology knowledge

#### **Mechanism of Action**

- Confirm target mechanism
- Confirm that mechanism is related to pathophysiology

Clinical Scientist
At Bed side

Potential drugs

Drug candidate
+
Biomarkers

#### **Proof of Concept**

Confirm that compound can be used to treat disease

Discovery validation







## Translational Medicine Example: Depression



#### **Emerging Endophenotypes**

Depression

Clinically descriptive approach



Decision on treatment



Neurogenesis

**HPA** axis

Sleep

Blod Markers
Transcription &
Metabolite Patterns



Clinical segmentation

Disease biology focus

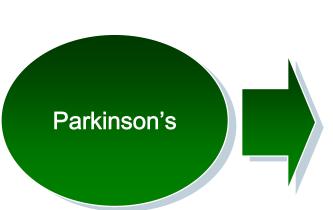






## Translational Medicine Example: Parkinson's disease



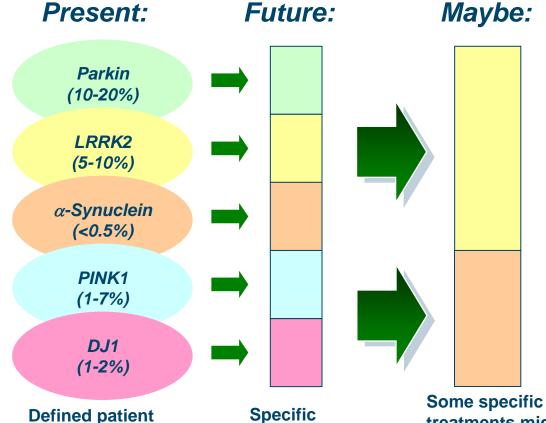


## Clinically descriptive approach:

- Motor function
- Cognition
- Psychiatric symptoms



DA based treatment



treatment for

each group

groups, each linked

to specific genetic

defects





treatments might

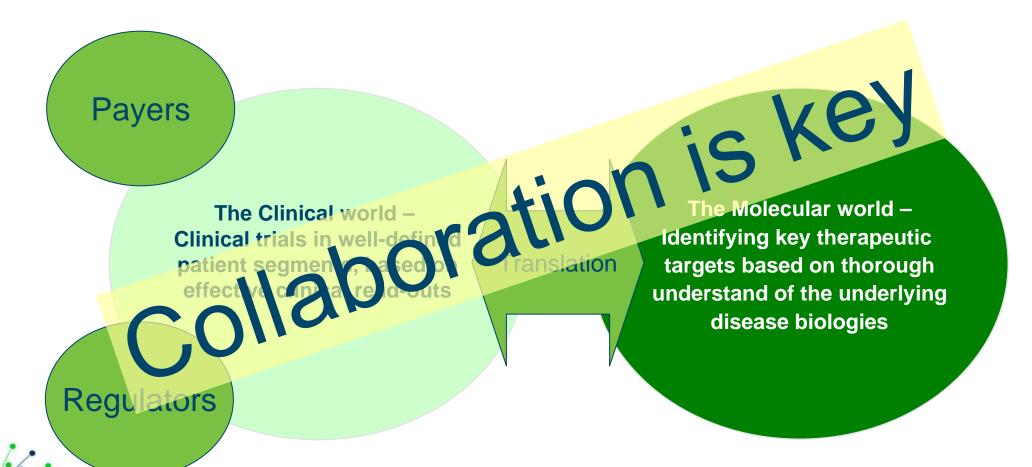
provide benefit for

**broader PD patient** 

groups

## A way to better drugs:













# Why is industry enthusiastic to collaborate through IMI?

- Because IMI is addressing these key critical issues!



## The IMI Strategic Research Agenda (SRA)







The Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) Strategic Research Agenda

Creating Biomedical R&D Leadership for Europe to Benefit Patients and Society

DATE OF PREPARATION: 15 September 2006 (Version 2.0)

http://www.efpia.org/4\_pos/SRA.pdf Copyright (c) 2006 Innovative Medicines Initiative  Identified pre-competitive bottlenecks in R&D process

 Proposed recommendations to address these bottlenecks

 Proposed a new model of Public-Private collaboration to implement recommendations



## IMI - A unique opportunity



- The 'research' pillars of IMI:
  - Predicting Safety & Efficacy, Improving knowledge
     Management, Addressing gaps in Education & Training
- Unique access to world-class research consortia spanning the breadth of Europe
- Unique access to new technologies, tools, and knowledge
- New standards in sharing pre-competitive data / intellectual property
- Unique societal and socio-economic benefits to European citizens







### IMI aims at:



### Building on **Strengths** and tackling **Weaknesses** in the EU

 Major pharma companies based in Europe

Insufficient global investment in R&D

 High-quality research and medical centres

 Fragmented legal framework for IP rights

 Critical mass assembled through EU programmes

Insufficient incentives for bioentrepreneurs

 Biomedical clusters based on PPP\*  Education programmes not adapted to industry needs







## What does industry bring to IMI



- EFPIA membership has committed to match the EC's €1bn funding through both cash and in-kind contributions ( over lifetime of IMI 2008-2017)
- Beyond that, industry is bringing to the consortia:
  - Provision of high-calibre industrial R&D expertise and insight
  - Access to industry labs and technologies
  - Multi-disciplinary skills (science, training, project management)
  - International reach and critical mass
  - Knowledge of best practice outside Europe



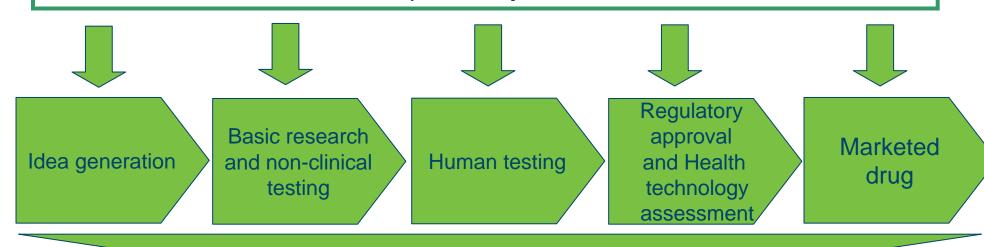




## IMI will help industry to:



make drug R&D processes in Europe more efficient and effective and enhance Europe's competitiveness in the sector.



- To the benefit of EU: Improved healthcare status of individuals and society and positive economical impact
- To the benefit of Pharma Industry: facilitate development of next generation drugs





## IMI projects show success!



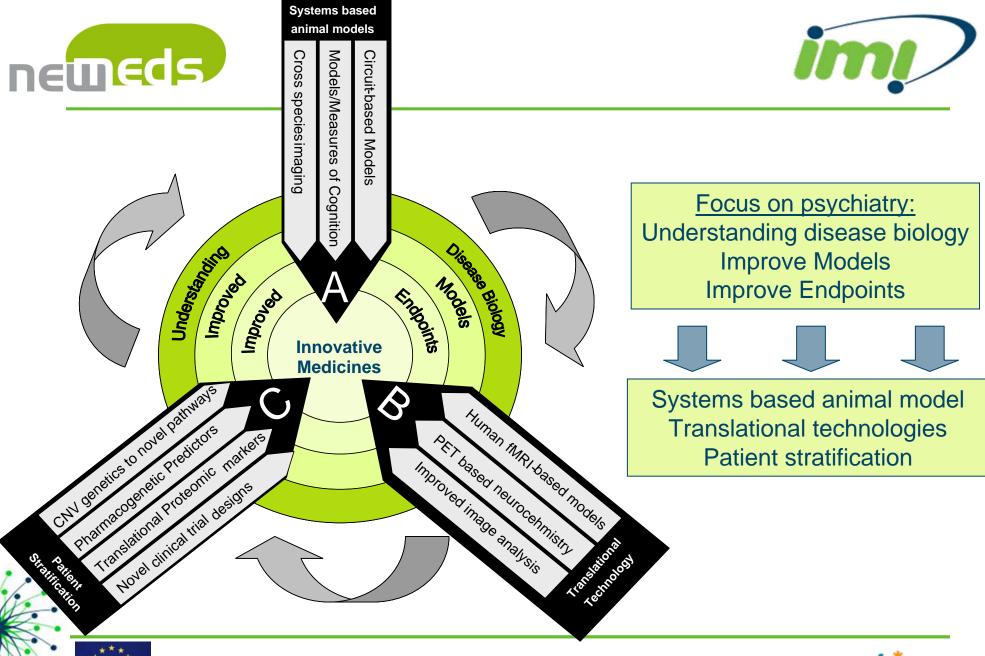


















#### **EFPIA** companies

H. Lundbeck A/S, AstraZeneca AB, Eli Lilly and Company Ltd, Janssen Pharmaceutica, NV, Novartis Pharma AG, Orion Corporation, Pfizer Limited, F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Institut de Recherches Servier, (Abbott - including), (GSK - exit)

#### **Universities**

King's College London (UK), Karolinska Institutet (Sweden), The University of Cambridge (UK), Central Institute of Mental Health (Germany), CSIC (Spain), The University of Manchester (UK), Bar Ilan University (Israel)

#### **SMEs**

DeCode (Island), Psynova (Cambridge), GABO:mi (Germany)









- Highly engaged and motivated (> 100 attendees at project meetings)
- 3 Published papers and 1 review submitted
- 2 Clinical trials initiated
- The largest database on schizophrenia trials enrolled in EFPIA studies (> 23,000 patients)
- The largest genome database on Depressed populations generated
- Phenotyping (Psychiatric and Antroprometric measures) of approx 1000 CNV carriers and structural MRI for > 300 pts
- 14 animal models of schizophrenia evaluated in a proteomic markers panel







### Conclusions





will be a key driver for:

- The industry to develop new and better drugs
- For the research community in increasing the understanding of disease biology
- For the patient to get better treatments
- For society to improve on health economics and general welfare





