



Future of diabetes research in the EU- the EC perspectives

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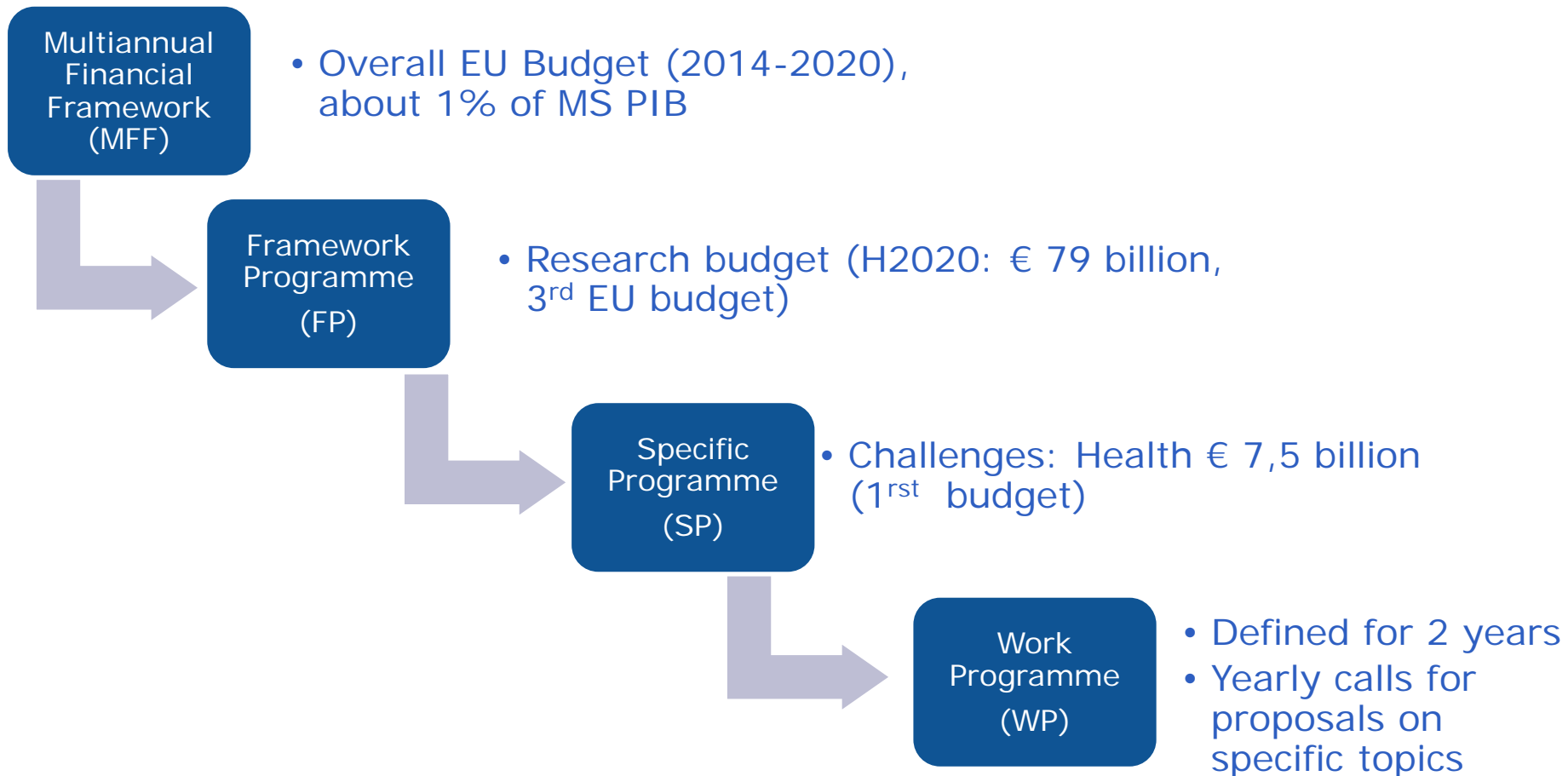
Challenges in diabetes research



- *Risk factors and early detection*
- *Identification of high-risk and vulnerable populations and reduction of co- morbidities*
- *Innovative technology and devices*
- *Tackling diabetes complications*
- *Personalised treatment*
- *Disease prevention*
- *Integrated care*

- **33 million people in EU had diabetes in 2010**
- **10% of total health expenditure in most MS due to diabetes care**
- **Obesity and ageing on the rise**

EU R&I Funding: How does it work?

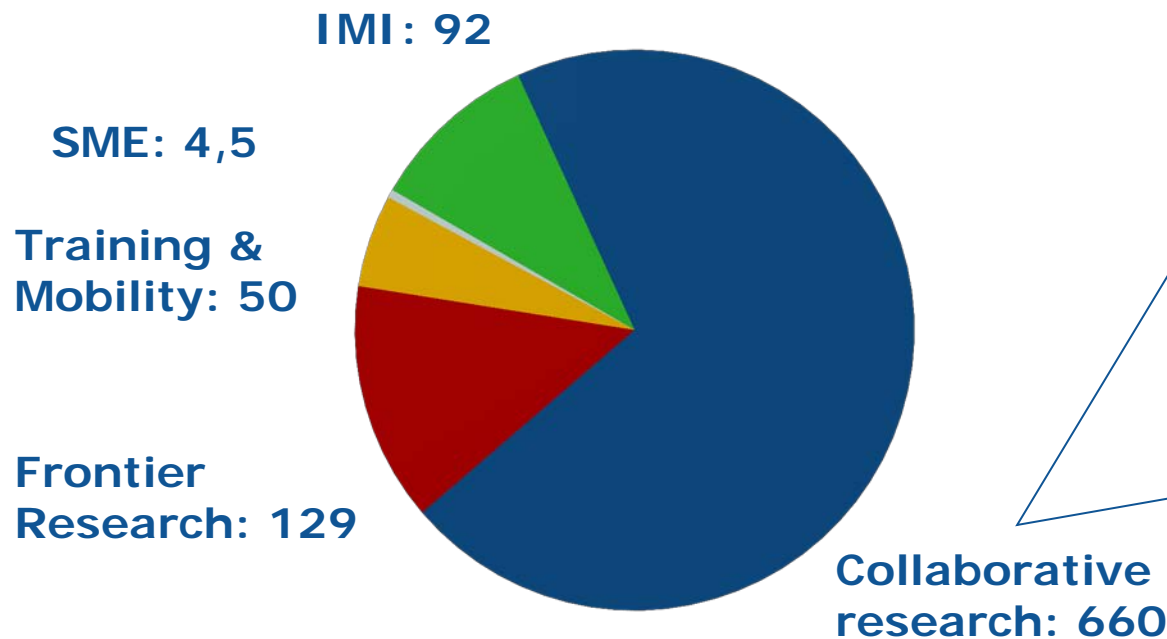




The EU means



Diabetes and obesity research schemes and funds (in € Million)



- *Translational research*
- *Genetics and epidemiology*
- *Function & metabolism*
- *Childhood & pregnancy diabetes*
- *Diabetes complications*
- *Physical activity, healthy diet*
- *Prevention & self management*

Over € 935 Million on diabetes and obesity research
(2007-2013)

FP 7 (2007-2013)- Diabetes

Key figures

843 M€ invested to date

378 projects

1 946 participations

1 011 organisations

63 countries

First outcomes

(on 22 closed projects from Health Programme)

1 060 publications

2,8 average SJR* publication
(average IF of 8)

17 patent applications

6 spin-offs created

* SCImago Journal Ranking

Overview FP7 Diabetes & Obesity Area



€ 157, 3 M – 34 projects

Prevention / epidemiology

Diagnostics

Complications

Towards novel therapy

Overall Strategy / Framework

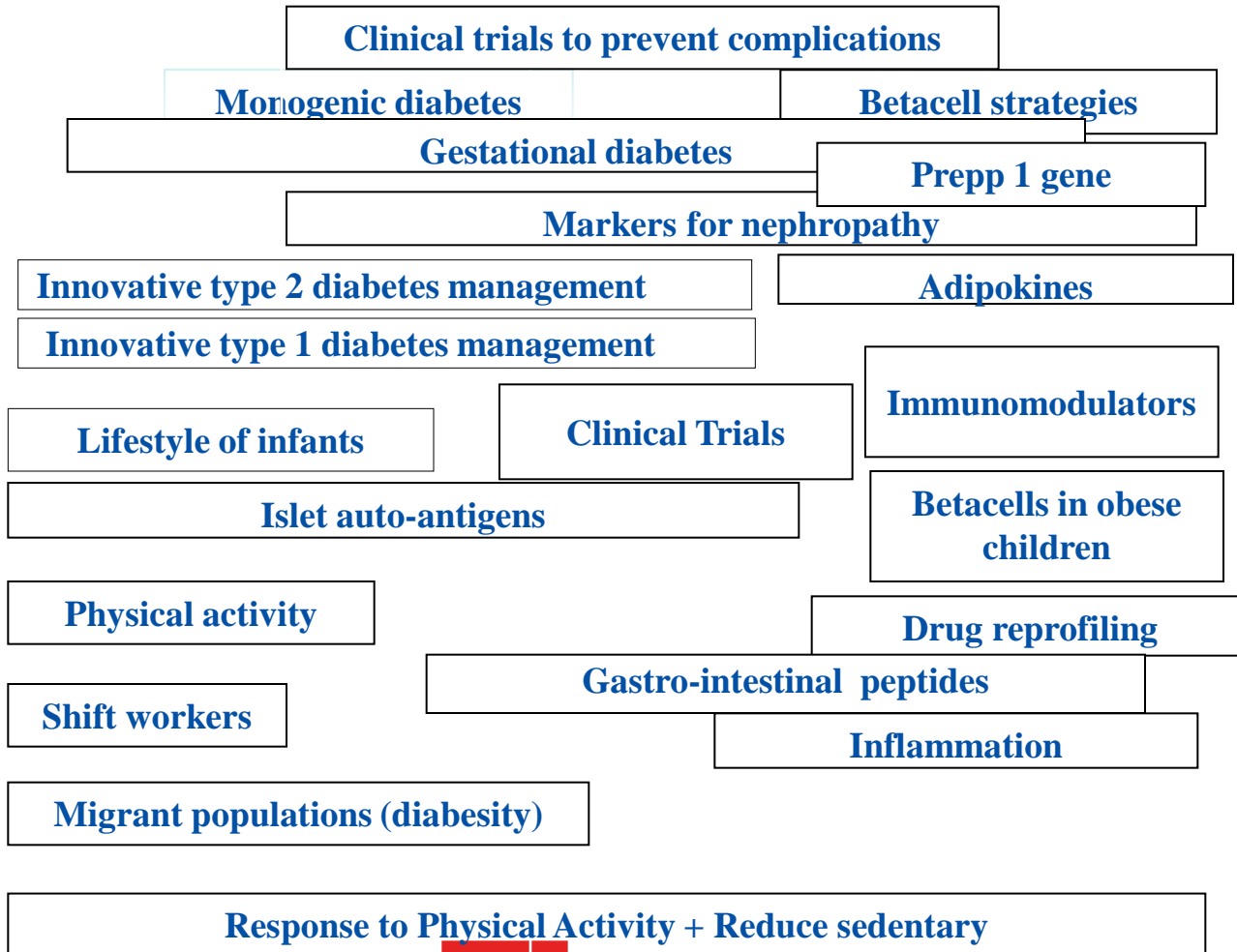
Type 2 Diabetes
€ 59 M

Type 1 Diabetes
€ 39,3 M

Obesity
€ 33 M

International
€ 12 M

Physical Activity
€ 11,5 M



DIAMAP (Roadmap on diabetes research) + InterConnect
(framework for population research in diabesity)



Horizon 2020

Perspectives

Three priorities

- European Research Council
- Future and Emerging Technologies
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions
- Research infrastructures

- Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies
- Access to risk finance
- Innovation in SMEs



- **Health, demographic change and wellbeing**
- Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and inland water research and the Bioeconomy
- Secure, clean and efficient energy
- Smart, green and integrated transport
- Climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials
- Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies
- Secure societies
- Science with and for society
- Spreading excellence and widening participation

**Budget:
about €79 Billion**

Health, Demographic change and wellbeing - aim



**Budget:
about €7.5 Billion**



- **Translate science to benefit citizens**
- **Test and demonstrate new healthcare models, approaches and tools**
- **Improve health outcomes, reduce inequalities**
- **Promote healthy and active ageing**
- **Support a competitive health sector**



**WP 2014/2015:
€ 1,2 billion**

Understanding health, ageing & disease

**Effective health promotion, disease prevention,
preparedness and screening**

Improving diagnosis

Innovative treatments and technologies

Advancing active and healthy ageing

Integrated, sustainable, citizen-centred care

**Improving health information, data exploitation and
providing an evidence base for health policies and regulation**



- **Understanding health, ageing and disease: determinants, risk factors and pathways**
- **New therapies for chronic non-communicable diseases**
- **Comparing the effectiveness of existing healthcare interventions in the elderly**
- **Health promotion and disease prevention: translating 'omics' into stratified approaches**
- **Development of new diagnostic tools and technologies: in vitro devices, assays and platforms**



Topics 2015 topics relevant for Diabetes

- Understanding **common mechanisms** of diseases and their relevance in **co-morbidities**
- Health promotion and disease prevention (environment and health based interventions)
- Development of new diagnostic tools and technologies: in **vivo medical imaging** technologies
- Tools and technologies for **advanced therapies**
- Establishing effectiveness of health care interventions **in the paediatric population**
- Piloting **personalised medicine** in health and care systems



- Self-management of health and disease: **citizen engagement and mHealth** (2014)
- Self-management of health and disease and **patient empowerment supported by ICT** (2015)
- Self-management of health and disease and **decision support systems** based on predictive computer modelling used by the patient him or herself (2015)



Innovative Medicines Initiative 2
www.imi.europa.eu



**European Innovation Partnership
on Active and Healthy Ageing**
<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/eipaha>



Active and Assisted Living 2
www.aal-europe.eu



**European & Developing Countries
Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP2)**
www.edctp.org

International cooperation: how?



- Identify and define shared strategic goals
- Agree to approach jointly and share tasks (and costs)
- Let each agency use its own funding mechanisms/timing
- Agree to share data / standards



Alignment – Flexibility – Commitment

Example: Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases (GACD)



HCO 5 -2014) Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases: prevention and treatment of type 2 diabetes

Scope

Implementation and intervention research for the prevention and treatment of type 2 diabetes in low and middle income countries, and in vulnerable populations in high income countries. Emphasis is placed on validating/scaling up existing approaches rather than developing new ones.

Expected Impact

- Reduce health inequalities in both a local and global context and maximize public health benefits of research findings within different health contexts
- Provide evidence on the effective scaling up of the interventions. Leverage of existing programmes and platforms (e.g. research, data) and alignment with national/international commitments



- **Wide consultations**
- **EP and many events triggered by patient organisations**
- **Role of the Programme Committee**
- **Advisory group: representative of the European Patients Forum**
- **Workshops: systematic patients' participation**
- **Topics: more patient centred**