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Session V: Regulatory & quality assurance aspects ***Update on prequalification of ARVs and regional harmonisation of medicine registration***

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WHO prequalification

Update on prequalification of ARVs

- **WHO-PQT: Goal, strategy & outputs**
- **EOI: List of invited products and APIs**
 - ✓ number prequalified or currently under assessment per product
- **PQT process**
 - ✓ Options of submitting API data for FPP PQ – advantage of using prequalified API.
 - ✓ Simplified procedure for amendment of APIMF
- **Numbers – prequalified FPPs and APIs**
- **Timelines for inspection – numbers for 2015**
 - ✓ Worrying Trends – signs of hope
- **Benefits of PQ for stakeholders**



→ *The mission of WHO prequalification is to ensure timely availability of quality-assured health products for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of priority diseases in low- and middle-income countries*

Goal

- Make quality priority products available in a consistent and timely manner
- Ensure sustainable supply of quality-assured products
- Create national capacity to evaluate and monitor the ongoing quality of products

**Strategy**

- Apply and promote unified quality, safety and efficacy/performance standards, for a comprehensive evaluation of health products
- Build the capacity of staff from NRAs, QC labs, manufacturers or CROs

**Key outputs**

- List of prequalified products and QCLs
- WHO public reports
- Accelerated national registration of prequalified products
- Increased regulatory capacity at national level
- Improved GMP and QMS



→ *Based on WHO Member States needs, WHO disease programmes set eligibility criteria and determine priorities for prequalification*

- ✓ Medicinal products included on the 13th Invitation
- ✓ http://apps.who.int/prequal/info_applicants/eoi/2015/EOI-HIV-v13.pdf

- ✓ List of all APIs and FPPs invited for prequalification, and number prequalified or currently under assessment per product
- ✓ http://apps.who.int/prequal/info_applicants/eoi/FPPs_APIs_invited.xlsx



APIs included in the 9th Invitation

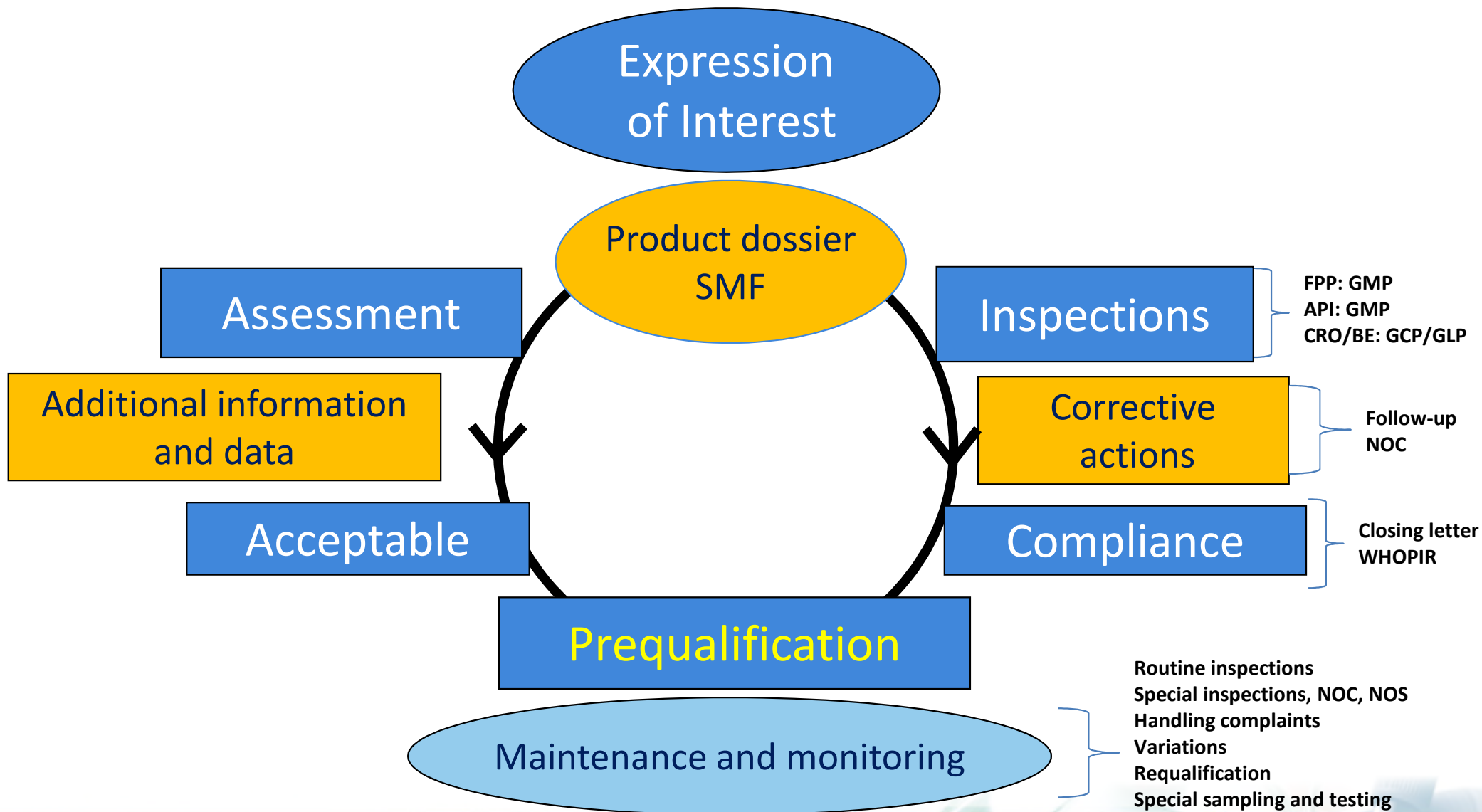
APIs for HIV, Hepatitis B, C and related diseases
medicinal products

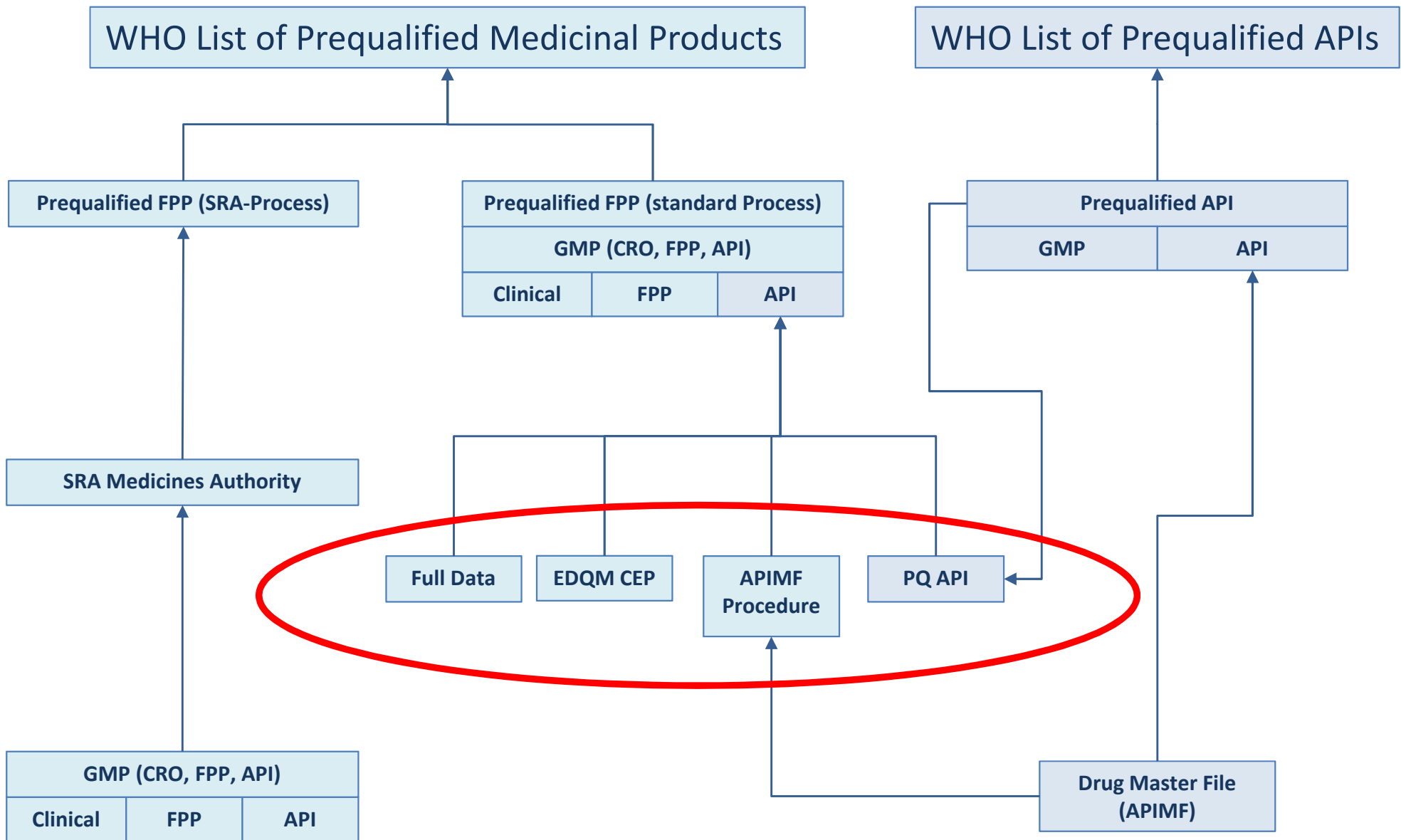
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- ✓ Abacavir
- ✓ Atazanavir
- ✓ Ceftriaxone
- ✓ Daclatasvir
- ✓ Darunavir
- ✓ Dasabuvir
- ✓ Dolutegravir
- ✓ Efavirenz
- ✓ Emtricitabine
- ✓ Entecavir
- ✓ Etravirine
- ✓ Lamivudine
- ✓ Ledipasvir
- ✓ Lopinavir
- ✓ Nevirapine
- ✓ Ombitasvir
- ✓ Paritaprevir
- ✓ Raltegravir
- ✓ Ribavirin
- ✓ Ritonavir
- ✓ Simeprevir
- ✓ Sofosbuvir
- ✓ Tenofovir
- ✓ Valgancyclovir
- ✓ Zidovudine



WHO-PQm process





Option 1: Use of a prequalified API

Advantages:

- **Both the APIMF and GMP have already been assessed and found to be acceptable.**
- **There will be no delay to the FPP assessment due to API issues.**



API Changes (Amendments)

- **Ensuring the on-going quality of accepted APIs is as important as the initial approval.**
- **Changes to API details are handled through the APIMF Amendment Guidance.**
- **The API Amendment guidance was revised in June 2014 to:**
 - Increase the number of changes manufacturers may implement without prior consent
 - Improve the efficiency of the overall process in the face of increasing numbers of amendment applications.
- **The success of these revisions is beginning to be seen in the amendment assessment times.**

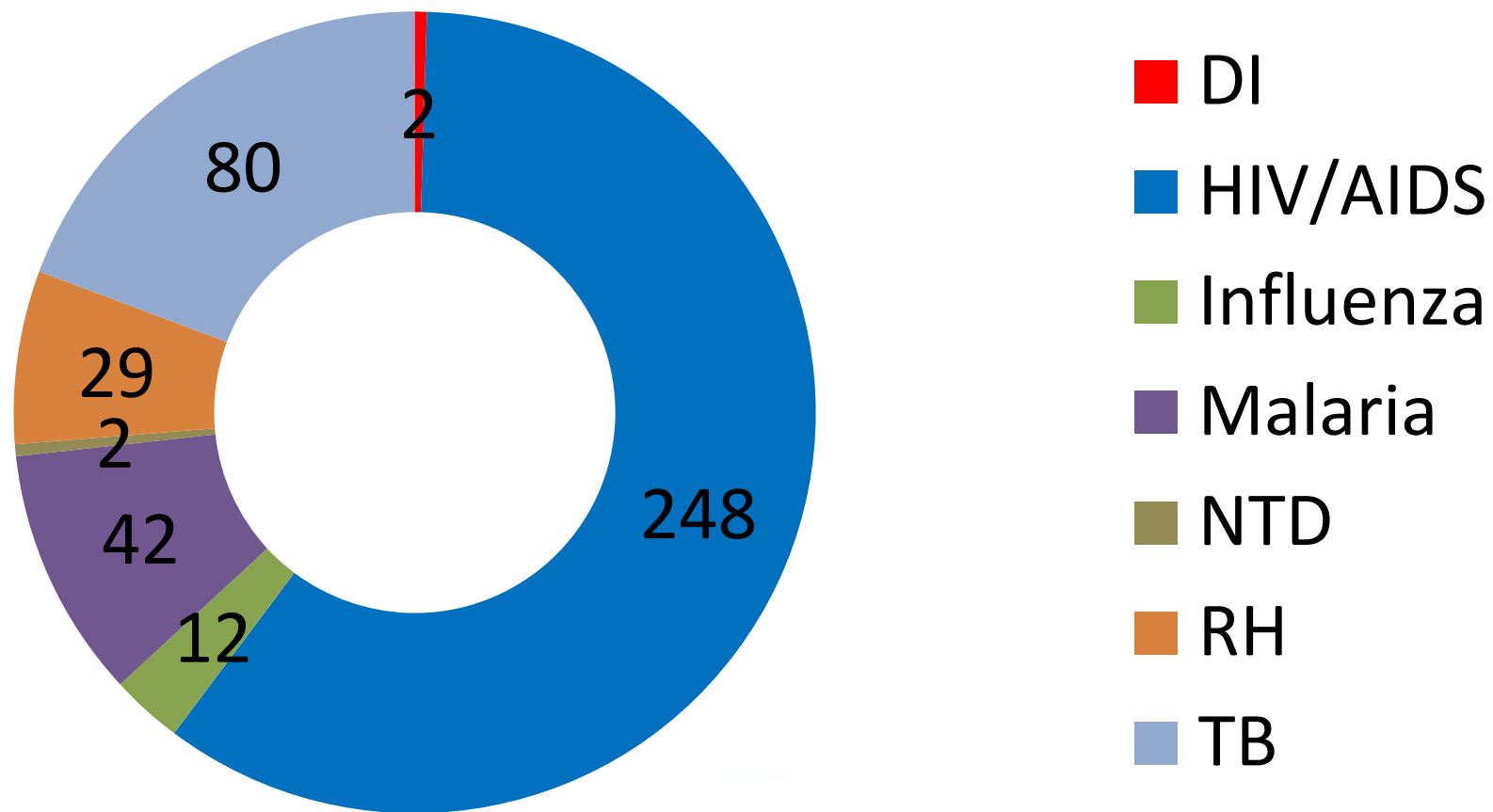


ACTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENTS (APIs) - Total numbers of APIMFs (API Prequalified or seeking API Prequalification)

APIs FOR MEDICINAL PRODUCTS FOR HIV AND RELATED DISEASES	Accepted APIMFs (API Prequalified)	Under assessment (seeking API Prequalification)
Abacavir	4 (2)	
Acyclovir		1 (0)
Atazanavir	1 (1)	5 (2)
Ceftriaxone		
Daclatasvir		
Darunavir		3 (1)
Dasabuvir		
Dolutegravir		2 (1)
didanosine		2(0)
Efavirenz	5 (3)	2 (1)
Emtricitabine	7 (3)	1 (1)
Entecavir		
Etravirine		1 (1)
Lamivudine	8 (4)	1 (1)
Ledipasvir		
Lopinavir	2 (1)	1
Nevirapine	9 (3)	
Ombitasvir		
Paritaprevir		
Raltegravir		
Ribavirin		
Ritonavir	7 (3)	
Simeprevir		
Sofosbuvir		3 (1)
stavudine	2 (0)	1 (0)
Tenofovir	9 (5)	4 (4)
Valgancyclovir		1 (0)
Zidovudine	7 (4)	2 (0)



Products in the PQ list as of March 4, 2016



WHO-PQT-Rx: Target Inspection Timelines

- ✓ **First inspection:** 6 months from dossier acceptance for assessment or from site confirms it is ready.
- ✓ **Surveillance/Routine monitoring inspection:**
 - ✓ **due date:** risk-based, 1 – 3 years from date of previous inspection
 - ✓ **Actual date:** ± 3 months from due date.
- ✓ **Notification:**
 - ✓ Announced: 1 – 2 months before inspection.
 - ✓ Unannounced/shot announced: 0 – 7 days before inspection
- ✓ **Onsite days:** 3 – 5 days.
- ✓ **Report:** 30 days from last date of inspection.
- ✓ **CAPAs:** 30 days from receipt of report (max 2 rounds, comprehensive, on CDs and not hard copies)
- ✓ **Closing of inspection:** 6 months from inspection.
- ✓ **Follow-up inspection:** 6 months from inspection

NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS			
	2013	2014	2015
1. MEDICINES			
FPP SITES	34	39	25
API SITES	22	32	34
CRO SITES	11	11	8
QCL SITES	16	12	12
TOTAL	83	94	79
2. DIAGNOSTICS		24	14
3. VACCINES		10	15

- **High number of inspections - good oversight of manufacturing and testing facilities.**
- **Reduced number in 2015 due to many special inspections for investigations and verification of data integrity**

Worrying Trends – signs of hope

Media is awash with NOCs, warning letters, import alerts, statements of non-compliance, complaints, recalls, etc.

- Data integrity and falsification
 - ❖ The honest way is always the "right way"
 - ❖ unbalanced focus on QC (quality built in – not tested in).
 - ❖ New very good guidelines - WHO and MHRA
- « Show-case » and « shadow » industries.
- « Knee-jerk » responses to inspection observations.
- Many « Awaits CAPAs » on routine inspection:
 - ❖ poor maintenance of quality systems
 - ❖ work hard to pass first inspection and then go on holiday

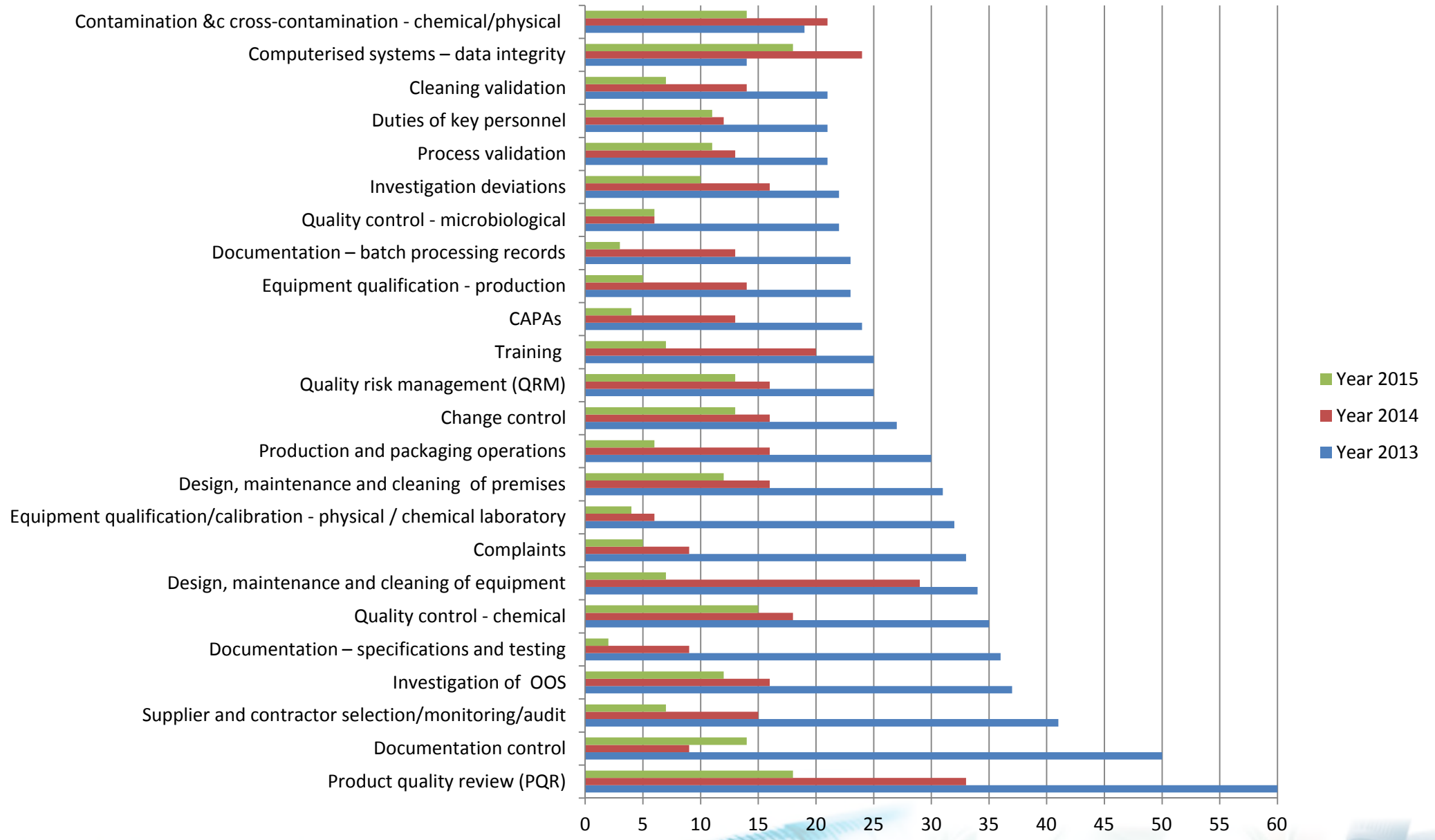
RESPONSES TO INSPECTION OBSERVATIONS (1)

- An inspection is a sampling exercise and by consequence not all aspects of the manufacturing process may be inspected.
 - The manufacturer is encouraged to take the information provided in the inspection report as examples and to consider **vertical and horizontal analysis** of the issues.
 - nonconformities described in the report that are designated to be of lesser degree of severity, may **increase in severity if not satisfactorily addressed in a timely manner.**

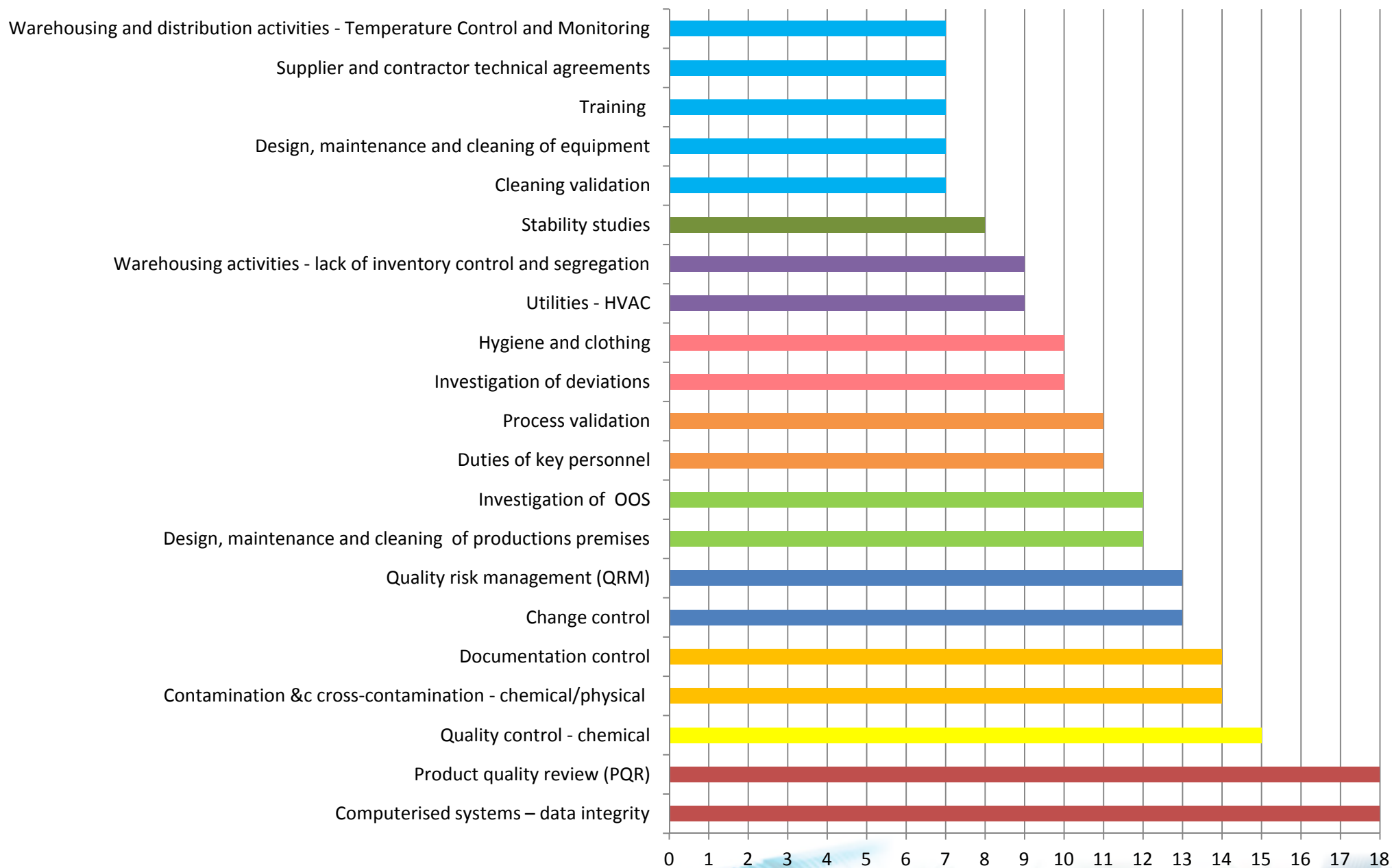
RESPONSES TO INSPECTION OBSERVATIONS (2)

- The manufacturer is required to submit an action plan in response to the observations and all nonconformities noted in the final inspection report within **30 days after receipt of the report.**
- **It is suggested that the action plan incorporates:**
 - root cause analysis (**how/why did this happen**),
 - analysis regarding related areas (**is this same issue impacting/occurring elsewhere**),
 - correction (**fix now**) with completion dates,
 - corrective action (**to prevent recurrence**) with completion dates and,
 - The plan for **demonstration of effectiveness** of the actions taken.

FPP: Top common deficiencies comparison 2013 (29 sites) - 2014 (32 sites) - 2015 (21 sites)



TOP 20 Major FPPs 14 re-inspected sites deficiencies 2015



Impact of Root-cause analysis:

- **The need for and the number of follow up inspections has reduced**
- **Number of site complying after first CAPAs has increased**

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Patients

- ✓ Access to quality-assured products, adapted to their specific needs
- ✓ Accurate prevention, diagnosis, and treatment

WHO Member States & NRAs

- ✓ Reduced burden for regulatory approval
- ✓ Increased regulatory capacity & harmonization of regulatory practices in WHO MS
- ✓ Implementation of specifically developed and road-tested international guidelines
- ✓ Access to quality-assured products

Donors, procurers and UN agencies

- ✓ List of prequalified products
- ✓ Increased availability of quality-assured products
- ✓ Monitoring quality of prequalified products
- ✓ Healthy market: diversity and affordability of products



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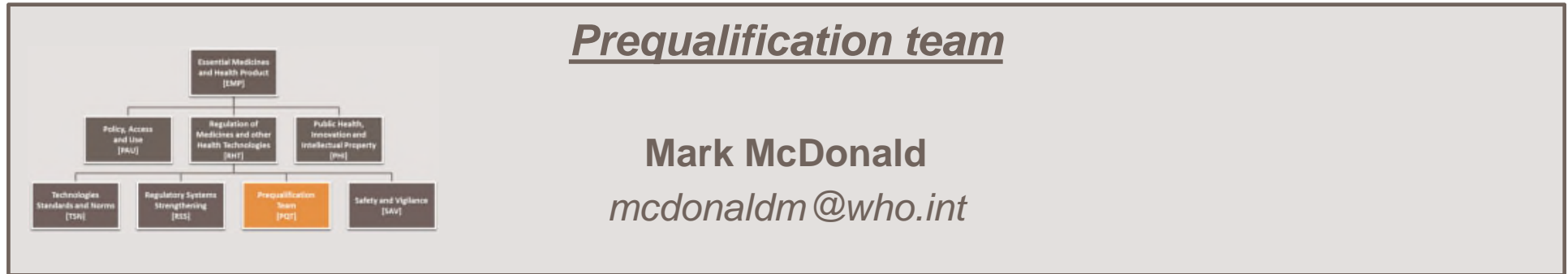
Manufacturers

- ✓ Access to donor-sponsored tenders
- ✓ Faster regulatory approval
- ✓ Timely assessment of variations and changes
- ✓ International quality-assured product status (improved image)
- ✓ Recognition of GMP status, beyond prequalified products
- ✓ Increased capacity in quality management systems
- ✓ Target Product Profiles
- ✓ Harmonization of regulatory practices within WHO Member States
- ✓ Reduced operating and manufacturing costs

QC labs

- ✓ International recognition of prequalified QCLs
- ✓ Technical assistance and scientific advice



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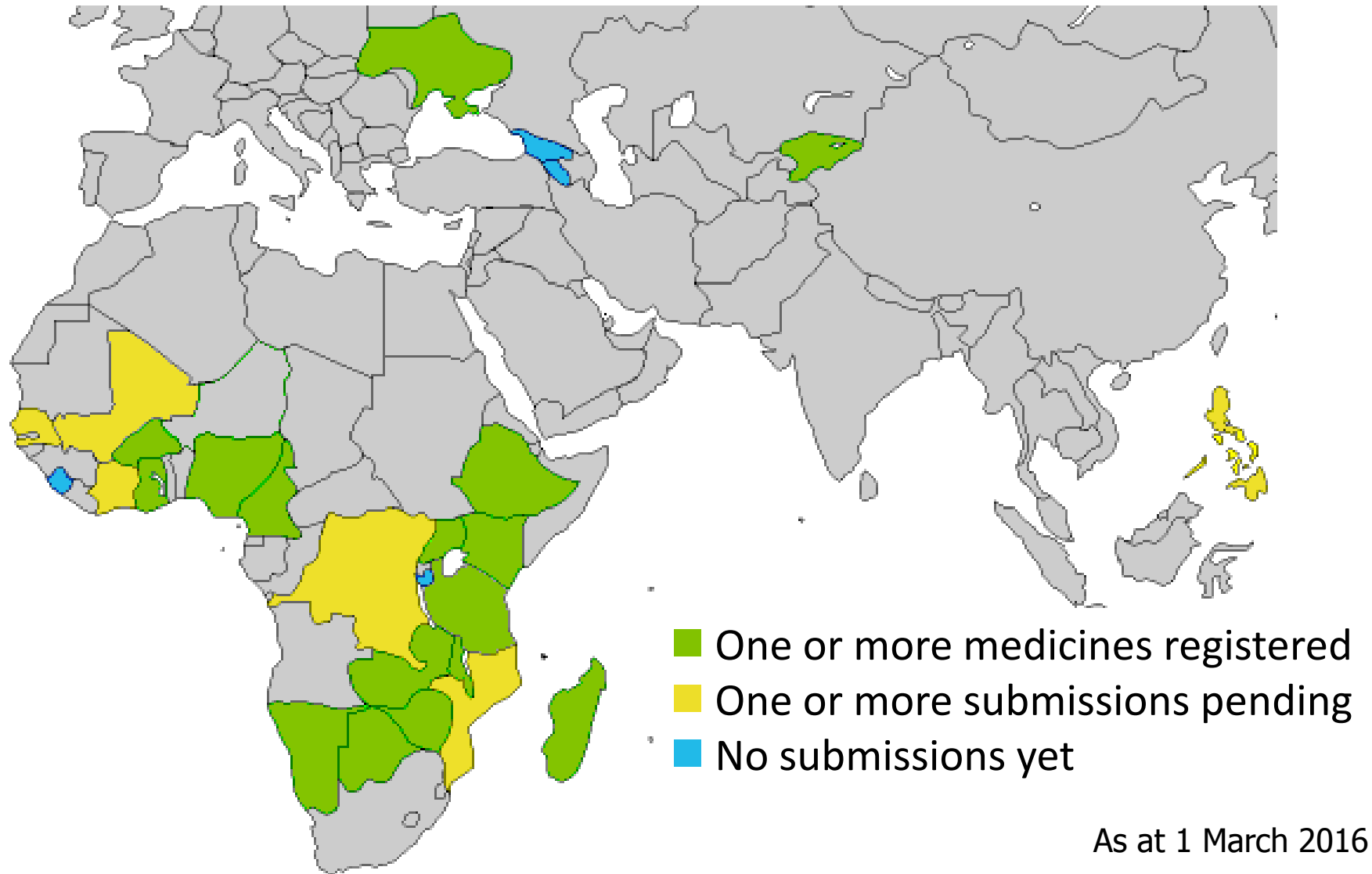
PQTm – support to manufacturers

- **Provision of information**
 - Website (guidelines, templates, statistics, reports)
 - Meetings, workshops, trainings
 - Face to face advice and consultations
- **Technical assistance (pre-inspections)**
- **Facilitation of national registrations**

<http://who.int/prequal>

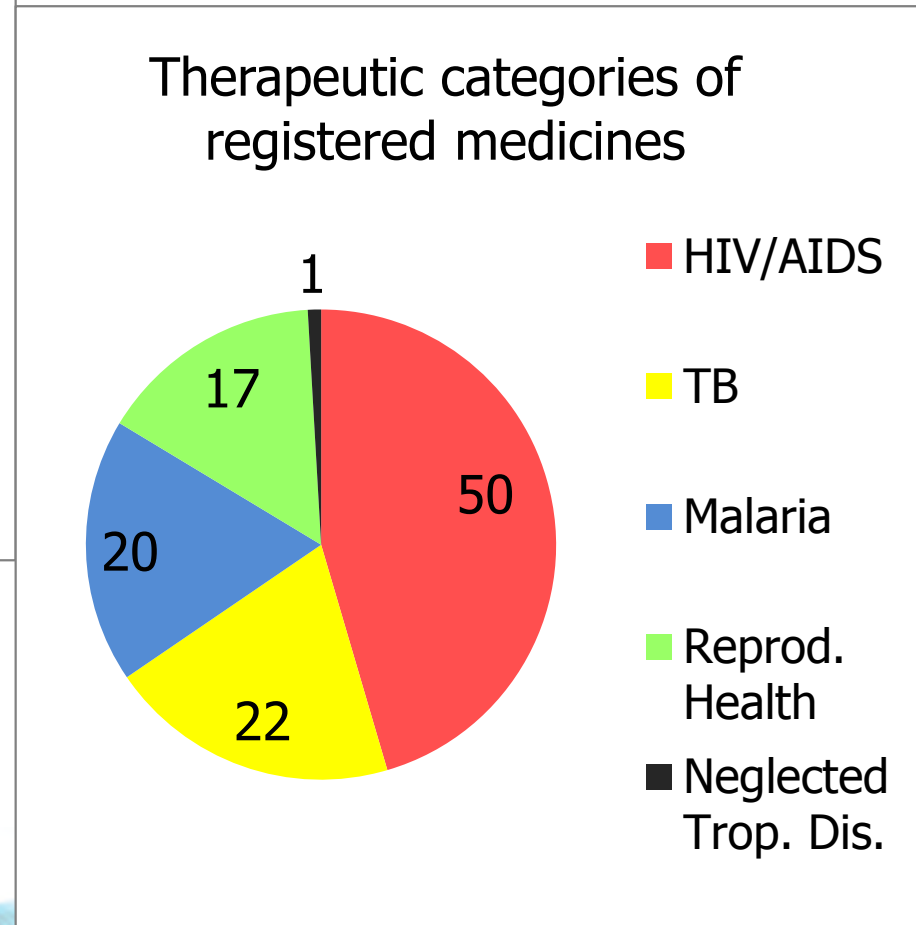
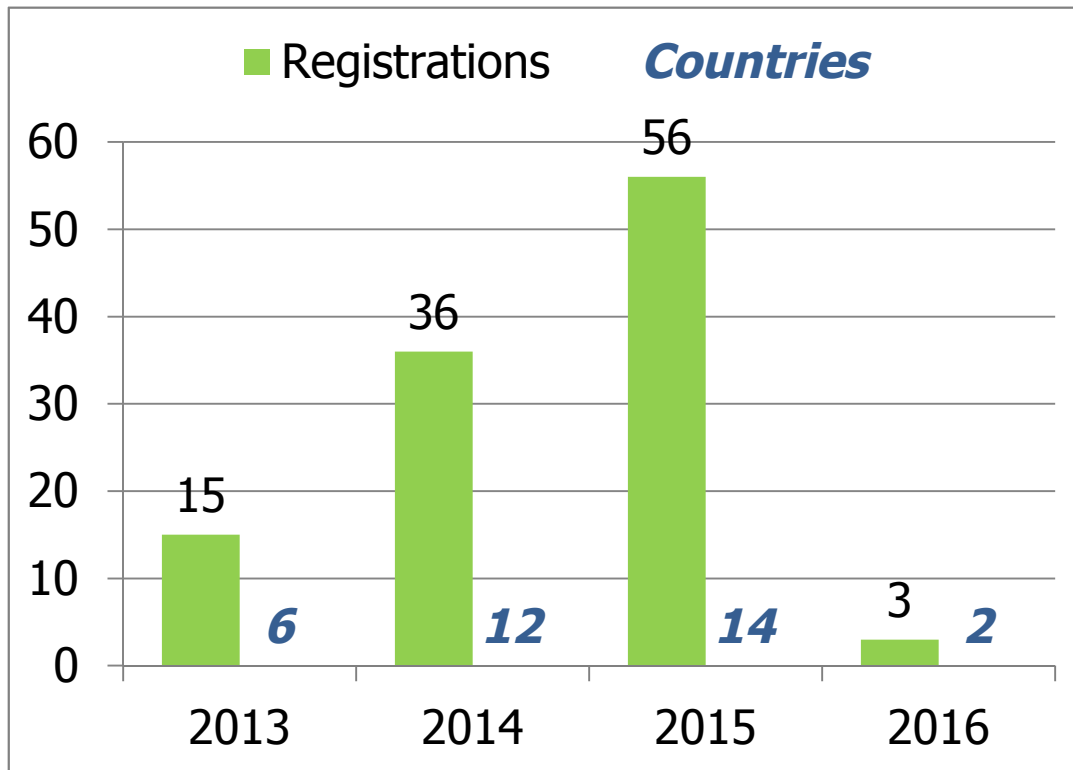


Participating NMRAs



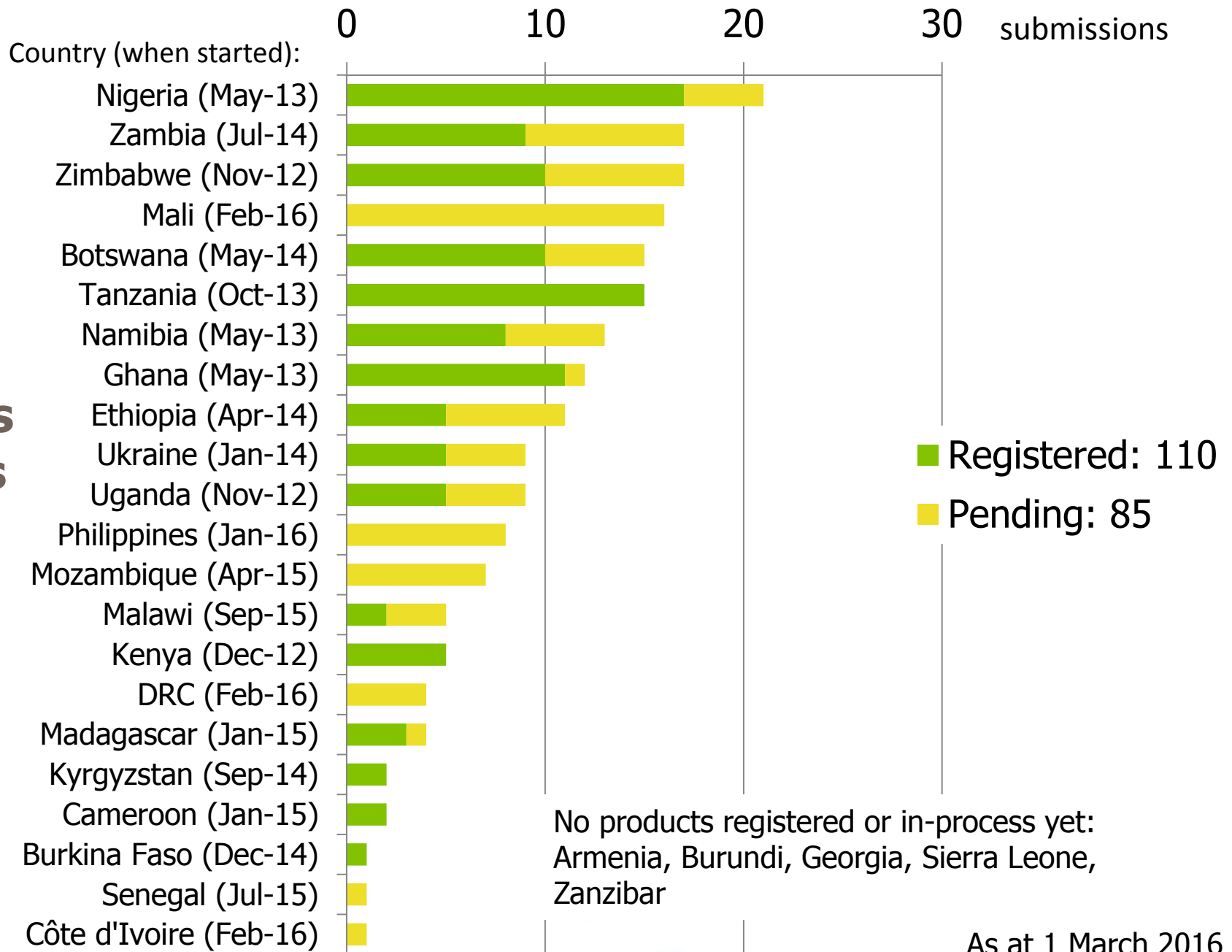
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7	HA399		Efavirenz Tablets 600mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Ghana	7/Jul/14	FDB/SD.143-6055
8	HA436		Abacavir (as sulfate) + Lamivudine + Zidovudine Tablets 60mg + 30mg + 60mg	Mylan Laboratories Ltd	Zimbabwe	6/Feb/13	2013/7.13/4762
9	HA448		Lamivudine + Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate Tablets 300mg + 300mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Ghana	1/Oct/13	FDB/GD.133-9038
10	HA459		Lamivudine + Zidovudine Tablets 150mg + 300mg	Macleods Pharmaceuticals Ltd	Ukraine	29/Dec/14	UA/14139/01/01
11	HA473		Didanosine Delayed release capsules 250mg	Mylan Laboratories Ltd	Zimbabwe	6/Feb/13	2013/7.13/4763
12	HA492		Lopinavir + Ritonavir Tablets 200mg + 50mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Namibia	6/Jun/13	13/20.2.8/0145
13	HA492		Lopinavir + Ritonavir Tablets 200mg + 50mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Nigeria	19/Sep/13	B4-0455
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16	HA498		Emtricitabine + Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate Tablets 200mg + 300mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Ghana	1/Oct/13	FDB/GD.133-9035
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20	HA508		Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate Tablets 300mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Ghana	1/Oct/13	FDB/GD.133-9037
21	HA512		[Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate + Lamivudine] + Atazanavir (as sulfate) + Ritonavir Tablets + Capsules + Tablets [300mg + 300mg] + 300mg + 100mg	Mylan Laboratories Ltd	Zimbabwe	6/Feb/13	2013/7.13/4764
22	HA521		Lamivudine + Zidovudine Tablets 150mg + 300mg	Hetero Labs Limited	Ghana	1/Oct/13	FDB/GD.133-9036
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28	MA079		Artesunate + Mefloquine (as hydrochloride) Tablets 100mg + 200mg	DNDi, Switzerland (Cipla Ltd is the supplier and is responsible for the product)	Tanzania	7/Jan/14	TZ14H058
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Growing acceptance by manufacturers and NMRAs

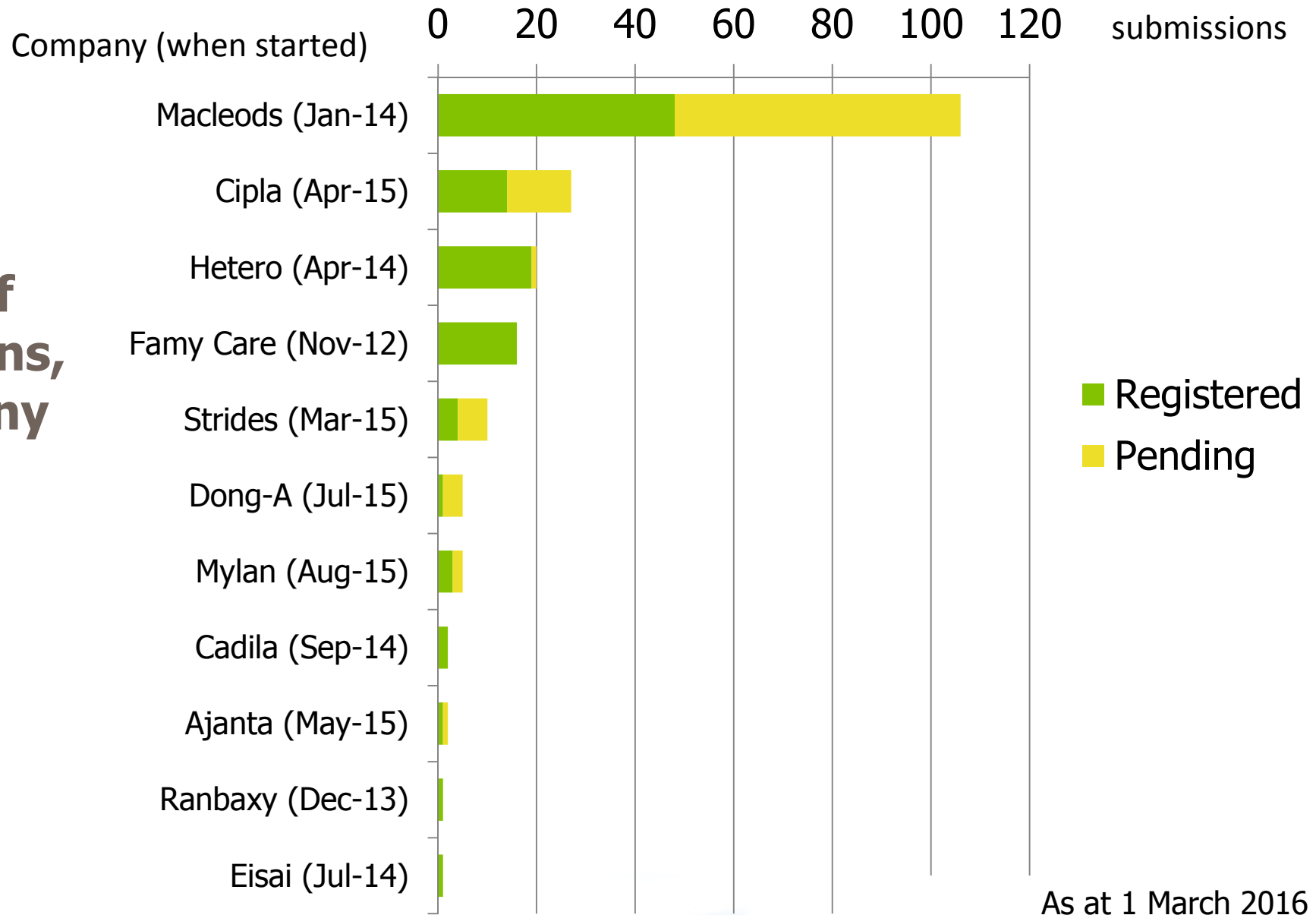


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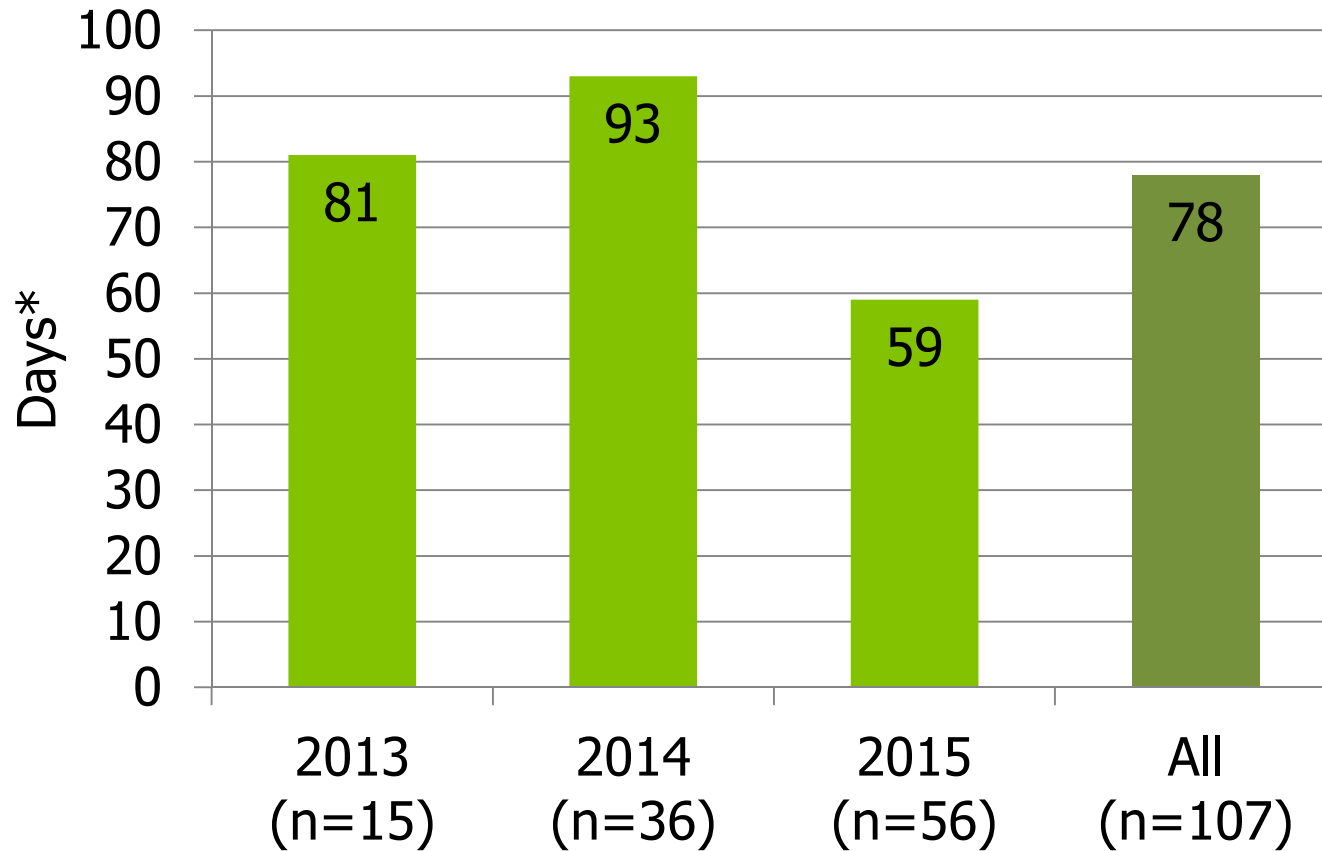
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Pipeline of applications, by company



Median time to registration



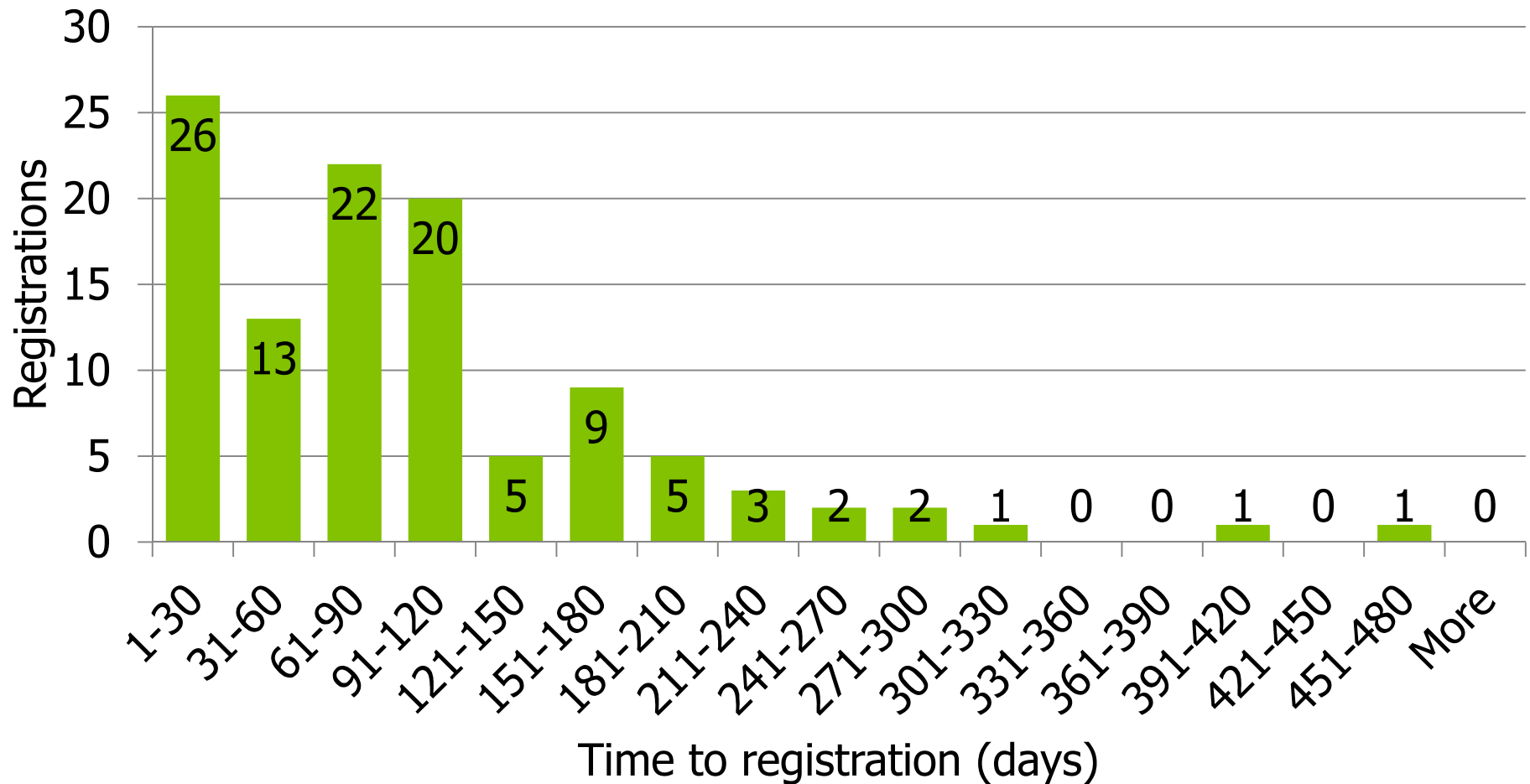
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Time to registration

(2013-2015, n=107)

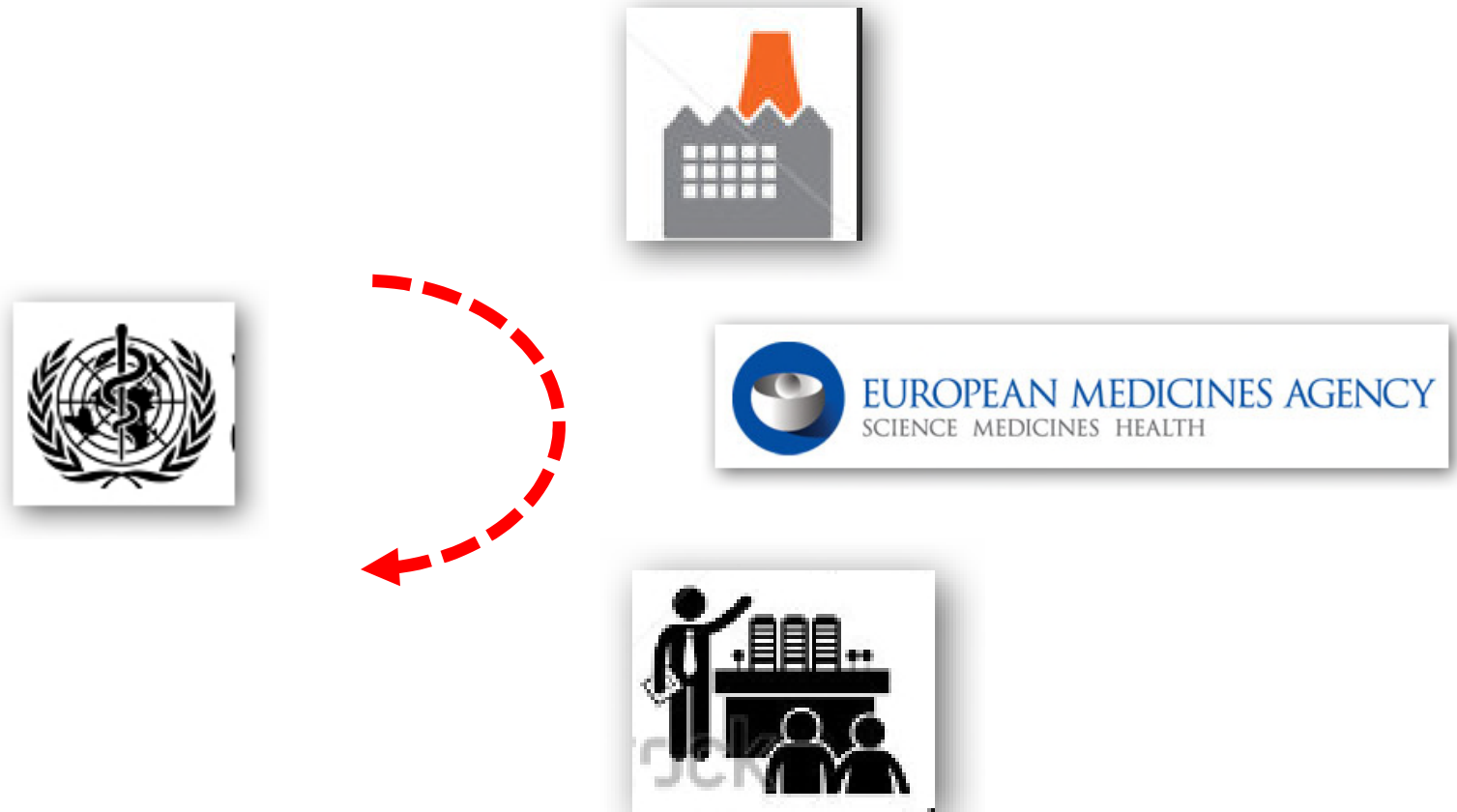
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Collaborative registration of 'SRA' approved medicines

Piloted scheme – involved parties



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