

European Society of Cardiology – Lessons learned from a decade of engagement

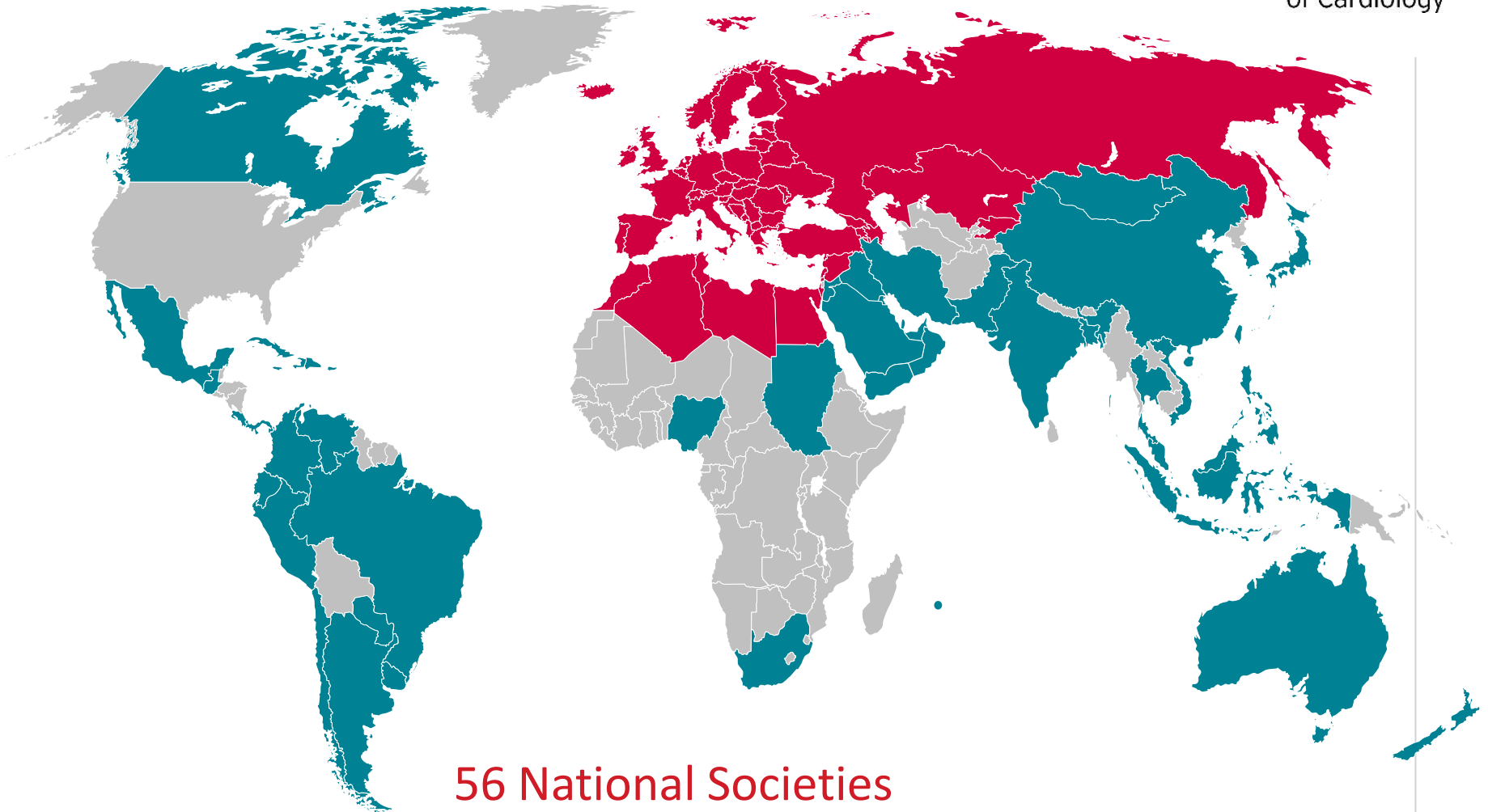
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The European Society of Cardiology



56 National Societies

43 Affiliated National Societies

95,000 Health care professionals

27.2.2013 – Brussels Office The European Heart Agency



ESC advocacy on medical devices



- 2008 ESC submission to public consultation on recast
- 2009 ESC participated in Exploratory Process at EC
- 2011 ESC Policy conference and paper in EHJ**
- 2011 ESC participated in high-level conference on recast of the medical device directives
- 2011 Meeting with Chef du Cabinet of European Commissioner
- 2012 ESC invited by Commission to attend meetings of the **Clinical Investigation and Evaluation Working Group**
- 2013 Briefing meetings with MEPs and rapporteurs
- 2013 ESC invited to attend **Medical Devices Expert Group**
- 2014 ESC invited to attend **Vigilance Working Group**
- 2018 ESC invited to attend **Medical Devices Coordination Group**

2007

The Treaty of Lisbon

Paragraph 2 C (k)



Shared competence .. applies in .. ***common safety concerns in public health matters*** ..

The measures to be adopted ..must ..aim to set high standards of quality and safety where national standards affecting the internal market would otherwise prevent ***a high level of human health protection*** being achieved.

A standard approach for implementing EU law

December 1984: The European Council agreed that it should take steps to complete the Internal Market, including implementation of European standards

1985 Completing the Internal Market

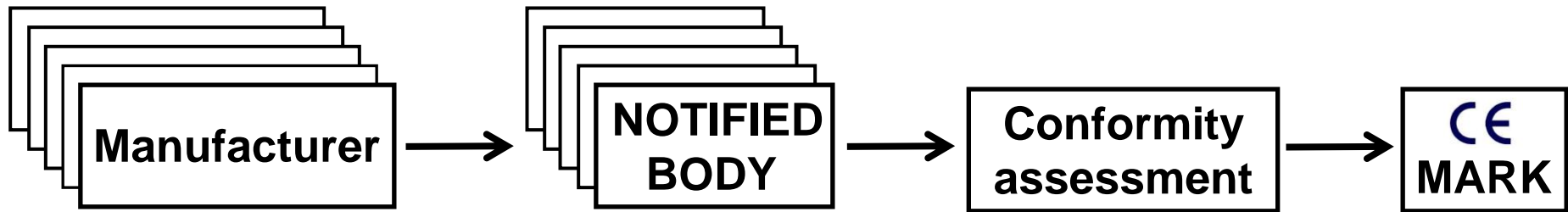
White Paper (85) 310

1985 On a New Approach to Technical Harmonization and Standards

Council Resolution 85/C 136/01

“National bodies authorized to issue marks or certificates of conformity shall be notified by each Member State to the Commission and to the other Member States.”

Official Journal 4.6.85, C 136, p. 1–9



European Commission – Medical Devices

DG ENTR *Enterprise and industry*

DG SANCO *Health and consumer affairs (now DG SANTE)*

DG GROW *Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship & SMEs*

DG JRC *Joint Research Centre (Ispra, Italy)*

DG SANTE *Inspections of notified bodies; health technology*

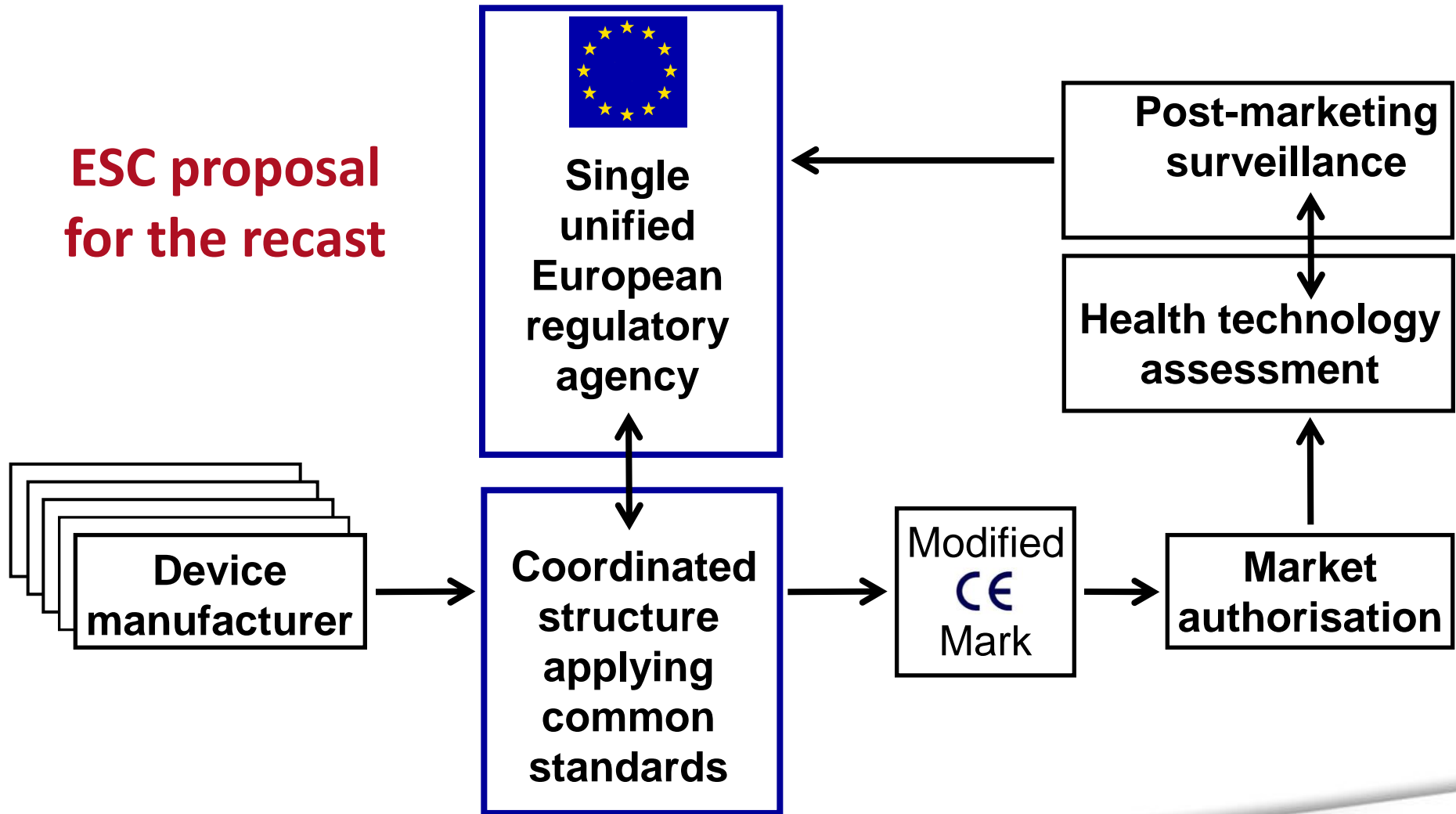
DG DIGIT *Development of Eudamed database*

DG CNECT *Medical software and apps*

DG RTD *Funding of research and development*

European Medicines Agency *Hybrid devices*

ESC proposal for the recast



EU Pharmaceuticals



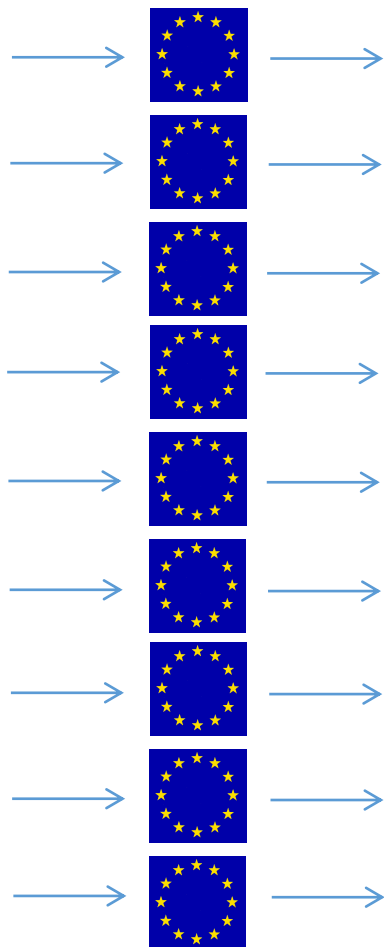
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EU Medical Devices

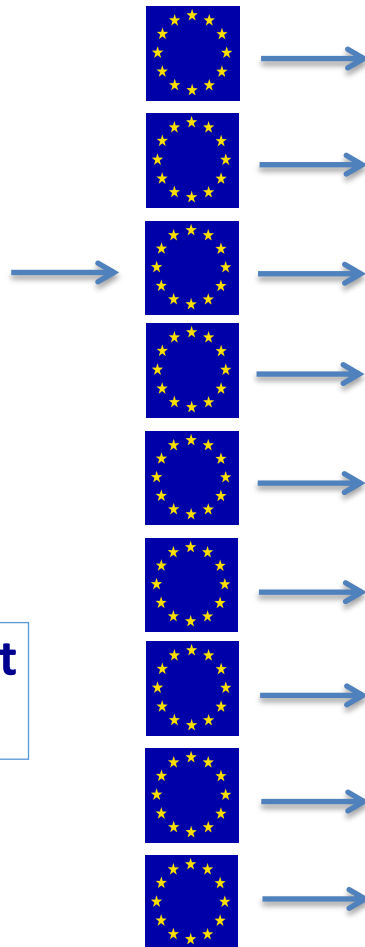
Before 1995

Since 1990s

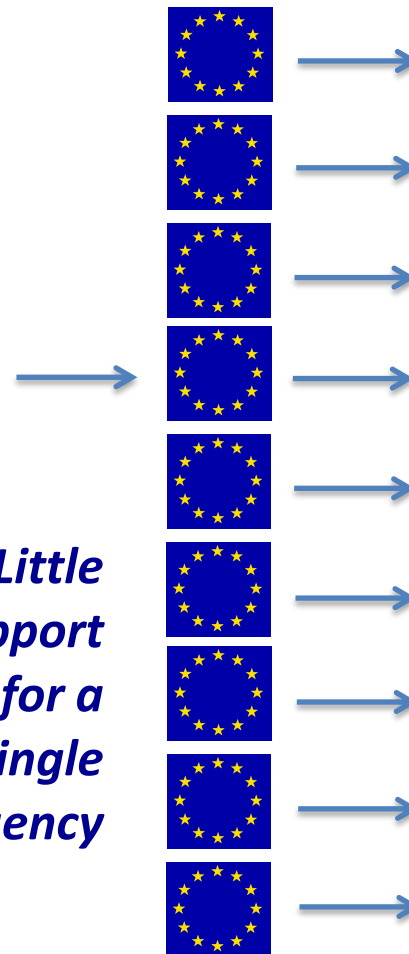
Manufacturer



Market
access



*Little
support
for a
single
agency*



Freedom of information in the European Union

Regulation EC 1049/2001 on public access to documents

- Wider access should be granted to documents in cases where the institutions are acting in their legislative capacity, including under delegated powers ..
documents should be made directly accessible to the greatest possible extent.
- .. **all agencies** established by the institutions should apply the principles laid down in this Regulation
- In principle, **all documents** of the institutions should be accessible to the public.

European Medicines Agency

Pharmaceutical Products

EU **Clinical Trials Database** (EudraCT)

www.eudract.ema.europa.eu

Clinical data published at EMA website

www.clinicaldata.ema.europa.eu

- Summary of product characteristics
- **European public assessment report** (EPAR)
- Divergent expert opinion
- Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) summary of opinion
- Conditions of the marketing authorisation
- EPAR Summary for the public
- Summary of risk management plan (RMP)
- Procedural steps taken and scientific information after the authorisation
- Periodic safety update reports (PSUR)

www.ema.europa.eu/ema/

CDRH, FDA

Medical Devices

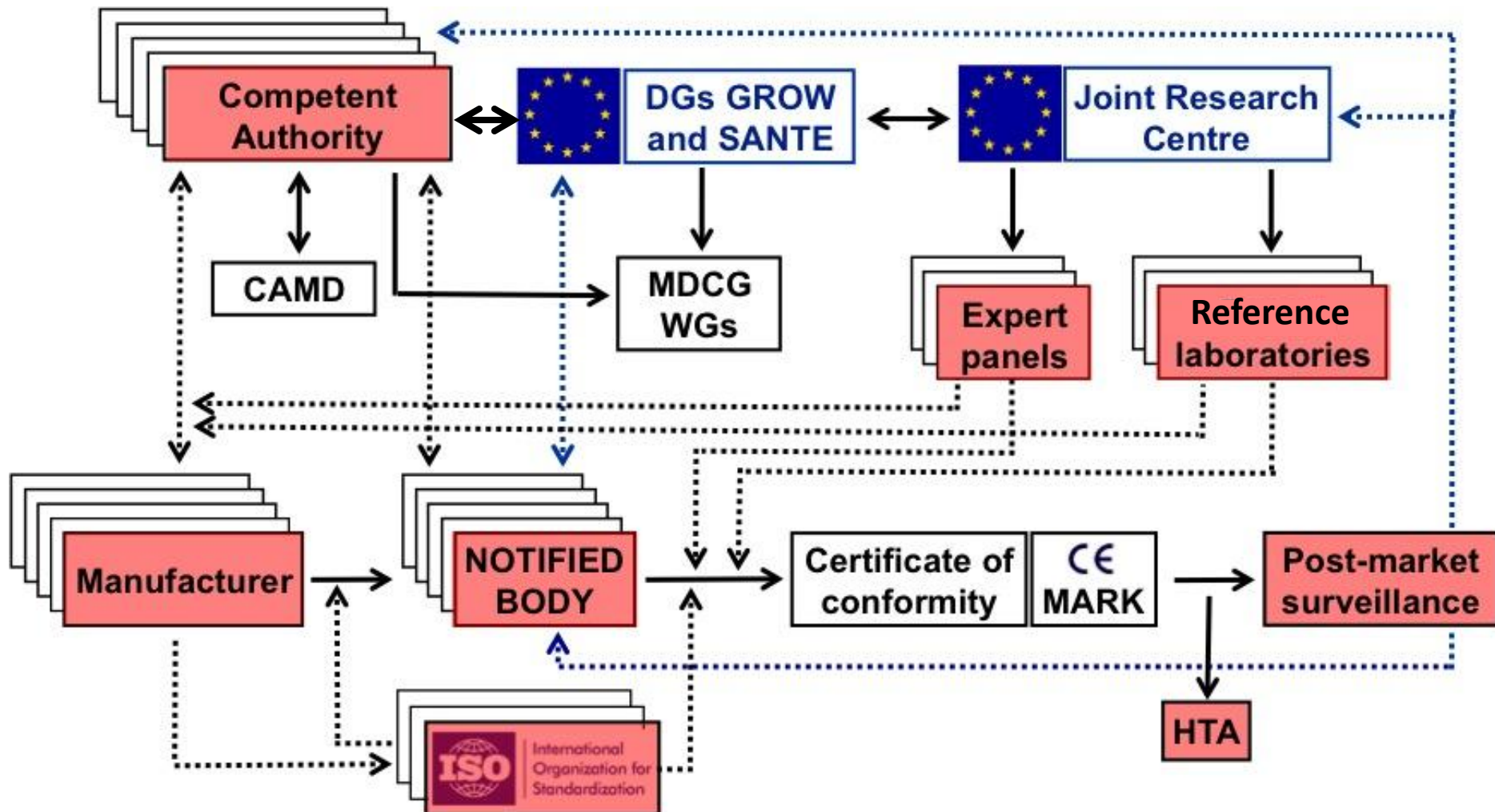
Links to relevant **trials**, all registered at

www.clinicaltrials.gov

- Definition & classification of the device
- List of devices with same product code
- **Summary of safety and effectiveness data** (SSED), including preclinical tests, relevant standards, and clinical studies
- Labeling information including instructions for use (IFU)
- Response to Premarket approval application (PMA), including instructions for conducting post-approval studies
- Record of all supplementary approvals
- Medical device recall
- Post-approval studies progress report
- **Postmarket surveillance database**

www.accessdata.fda.gov/

A complex new structure with many new tasks – but with limited capacity to implement changes





CENTER FOR DEVICES AND RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH

CDRH Scientific & Technical Staff (January 2017 Estimates)	
Positions	Staff Count
Total	1,184
Medical, Hospital, Dental, and Public Health Group	424
Engineering Group	405
Biological Sciences Group	177
Physical Sciences Group	95
Mathematical Sciences Group	75
Veterinary Medical Science Group	8

1700 full time equivalents

**Medical, Hospital, Dental, and
Public Health Group 424**

Consumer Safety Officer	132
Medical Officer	117
Regulatory Health	80
Public Health Advisor	36
Medical Technologist	26
Nurse Consultant	24
Optometrist	3
Dental Officer	3
Audiologist	2
Pharmacist	1

**Veterinary Medical
Science Group**

Veterinary Medical Officer 8

Courtesy Dr Jeffrey Shuren

USA 326 M / EU 508 M (2016)

Device-Specific Guidance – Expert engagement by ESC

EU Commission / Clinical Investigation and Evaluation WG

MEDDEV 2.7/1, revision 4, recommendations for clinical evidence
Coronary stents, and bioresorbable scaffolds
– systematic reviews, meta-analyses

EU Commission / Vigilance WG

Criteria for surveillance of electrophysiological ablation catheters
Criteria for surveillance of cardiac implantable electronic devices

European Network for Health Technology Assessment (EUnetHTA)

Relative effectiveness assessment (REA) of wearable cardioverter
defibrillator
REA of TAVR in patients at intermediate surgical risk

International Standardization Organisation (ISO)

Review of ISO 14155, principles clinical evaluation medical devices
Revision ISO 5840 1-2-3; new ISO 5910; valve prostheses, procedures

**The EU relies on international advisory standards
– but it does not pay sufficiently for participation**



International
Organization for
Standardization



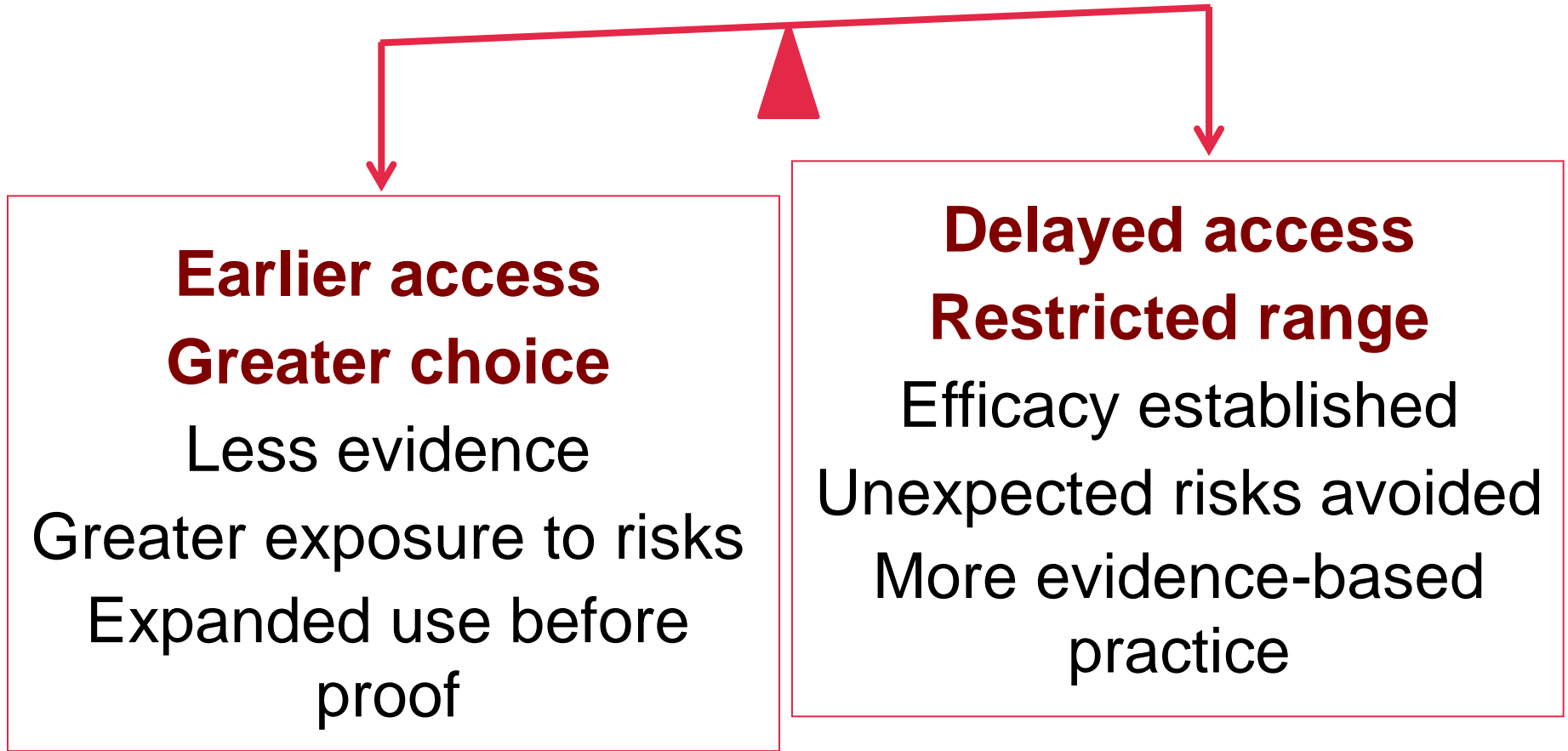
International
Electrotechnical
Commission



European Committee
for Standardization

European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization

INNOVATION *versus* REGULATION ?



Medical devices – ethical reasons for international collaboration in device standards and evaluation

- Innovative high-risk / implantable devices for unmet medical needs may always carry some unpredictable risks
- All patients deserve equally safe medical devices
- Development risks should be shared equally
- Studies in less strict regulatory environments are unethical

Fraser AG et al, BMJ 2011; 342: d2952



*67th World Health Assembly 2014
Resolution 67.20*



International Medical
Device Regulators Forum

Strategic Plan 2020

Some lessons learned ?

Challenges for regulators

- ✧ capacity, expertise, personnel, resources
- ✧ Integration, collaboration, transparency

Challenges for health care professionals

- ✧ research & evidence-based practice
- ✧ device-specific guidance & scrutiny
- ✧ post-market surveillance