



Precision Medicine in Pediatric Oncology drug development:

The right time to accelerate innovation for children
and adolescents with cancer

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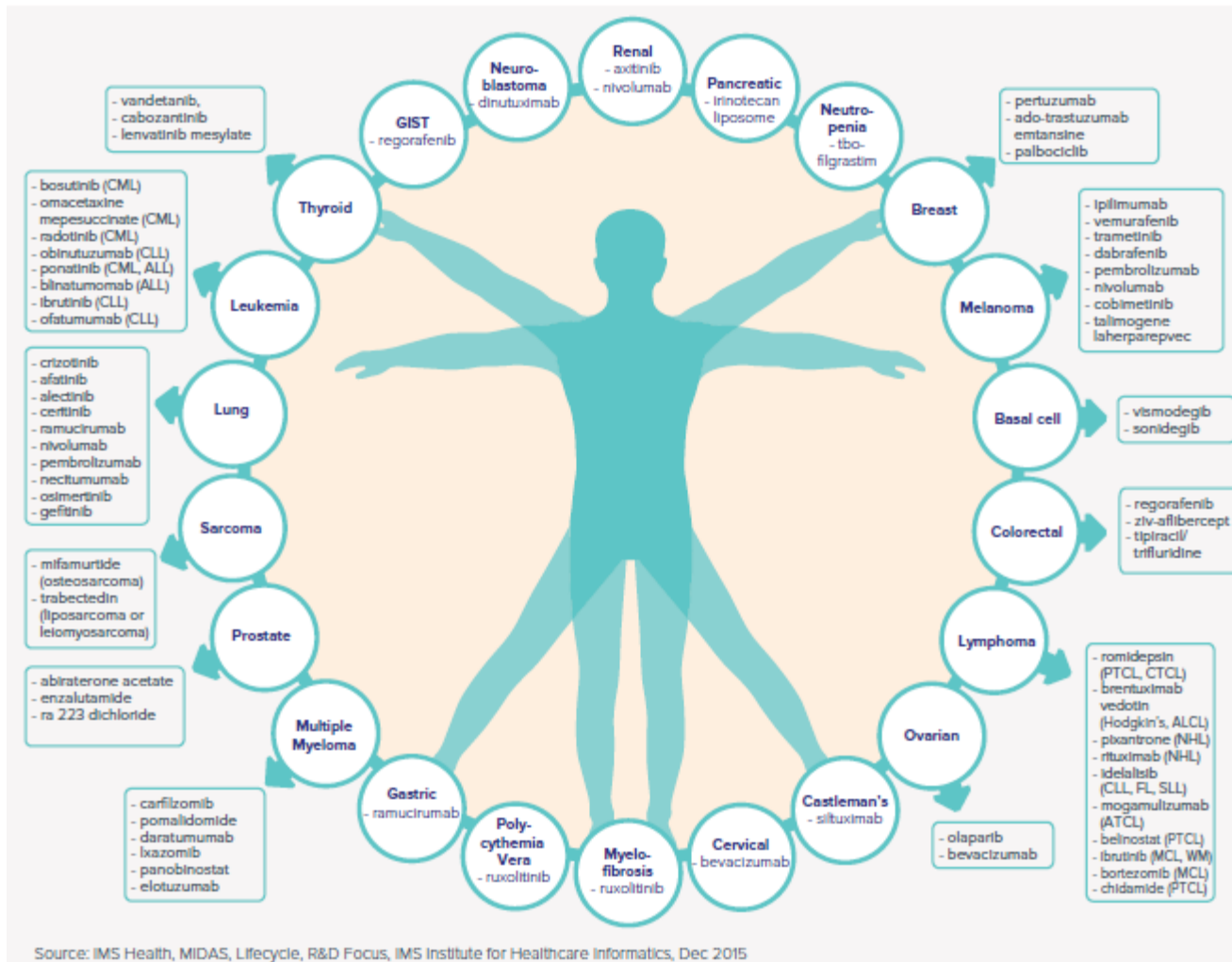
Cancer in Young People in Europe

- 6000 young people die each year of cancer
- Need for safe and effective innovative medicines rapidly introduced in front line

Leading cause of death by disease
beyond one year in the EU

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From 2011 to 2015, 70 new oncology treatments have been launched for over 20 uses in adults



Source: IMS Health, MIDAS, Lifecycle, R&D Focus, IMS Institute for Healthcare Informatics, Dec 2015

2008 – 2016: 4 new anticancer medicines* have been launched for 3 pediatric malignancies through a PIP

- **Unituxin**[®] (an anti-GD2 monoclonal antibody) for neuroblastoma
- **Votubia**[®] (mTOR inhibitor) for sub-ependymal giant cell astrocytoma,
- **Spectrila**[®] (recombinant asparaginase) for ALL*
- **Xaluprine**[®] (mercaptopurine) for ALL*

* Asparaginase and mercaptopurine have been used for more than 40 years in the treatment of ALL

*1st marketing autorisation after 26 july 2008

THE SIOPE STRATEGIC PLAN

A European Cancer
Plan for Children and
Adolescents



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SIOPE Europe
the European Society for Paediatric Oncology

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SIOPE Strategic Plan; The 7 objectives

1. Innovative therapies
2. Precision medicine
3. Knowledge on biology
4. Equal access
5. Teenager and young adults
6. Quality of survivorship
7. Causes of pediatric cancers

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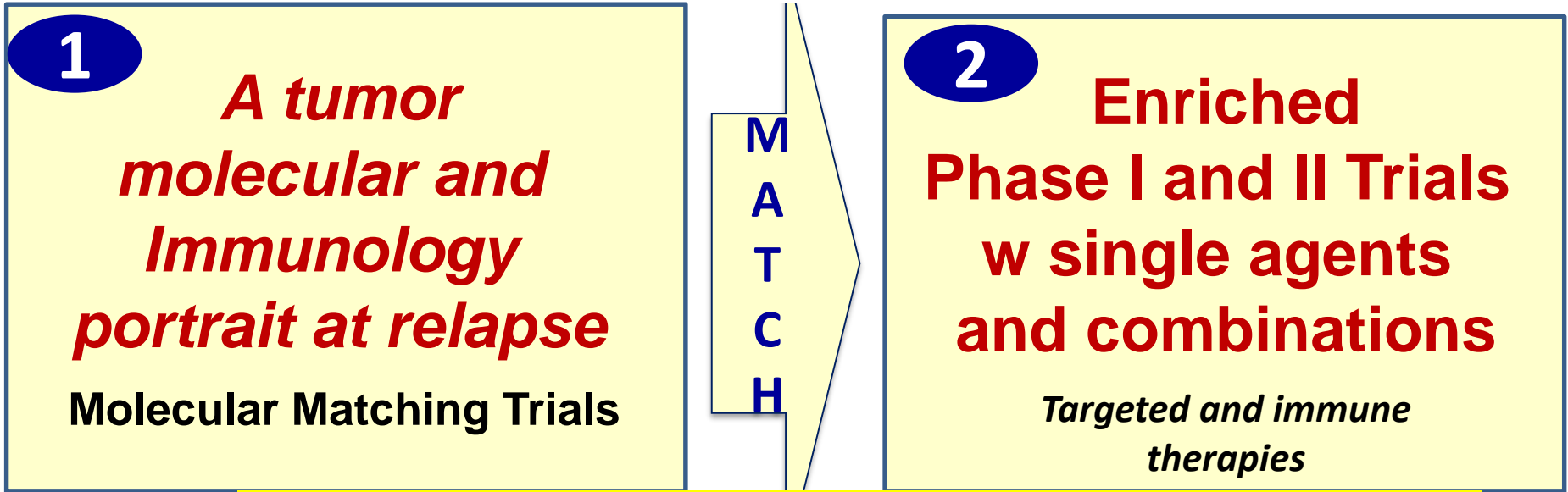
How to accelerate?

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- Early access to innovative medicines during their adult development
- Investment in developing specific pediatric oncology drugs
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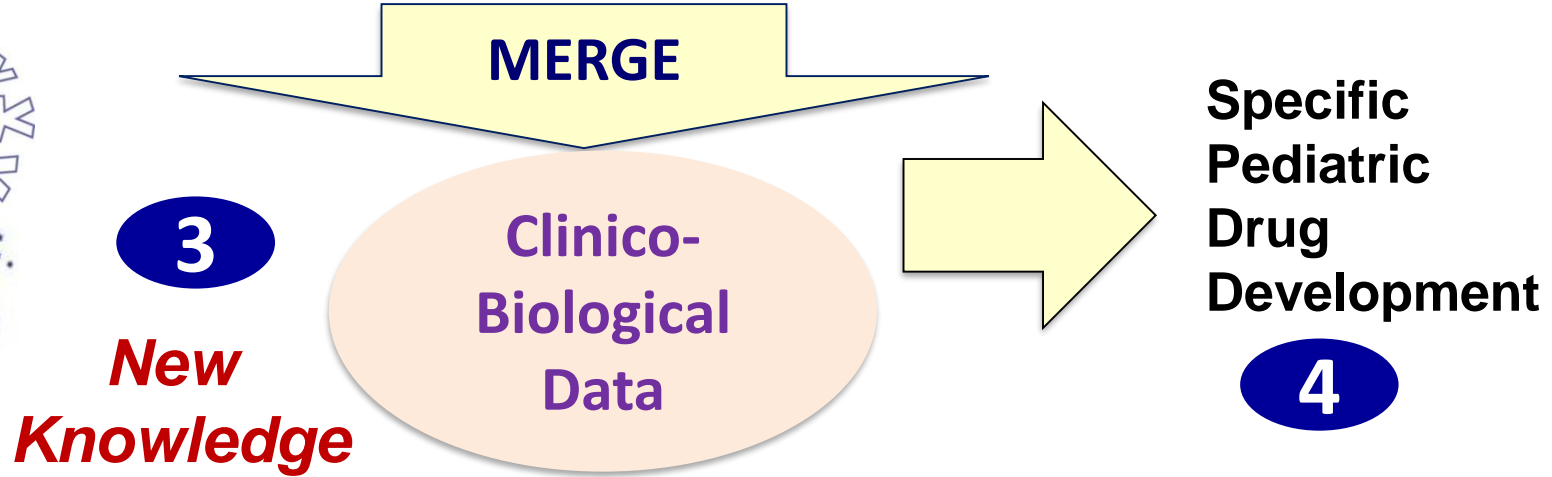
Needs

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The Innovative Therapies & PCM Programme²



All patients are proposed access to new drugs



MOlecular **S**creening for **C**Ancer **T**reatment **O**ptimization (**M**O**S**C**A**T**O**-01) in pediatric patients: A prospective molecular stratification trial PI Birgit Geoerger

- Monocentric, non-randomized, prospective feasibility study (NCT01566019)
- **73 patients (biopsy at relapse) (median age, 11y)**
- **42 (58%) with at least one actionable target**
- **Of whichn 14 (32%) received a matched therapy**

Sponsor : Gustave Roussy, Villejuif, FRANCE



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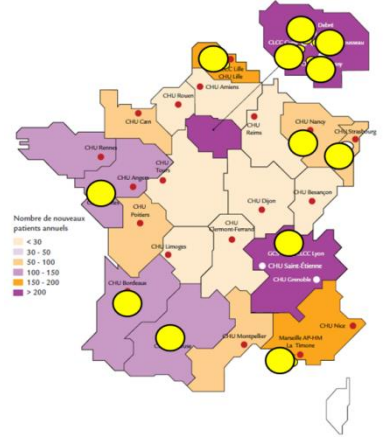
PI: B Geoerger, CoPI: Gudrun Schleiermacher

Molecular Profiling for Pediatric and Young Adult Cancer Treatment Stratification

Children and Adolescents, in relapse, solid tumors and leukemias



FIG. 4 : CARTOGRAPHIE ET ACTIVITÉ DES 29 CENTRES SPÉCIALISÉS VISITÉS ENTRE 2006 ET 2009



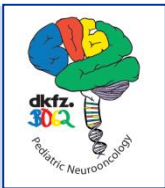
Molecular Tumor Board

Clinical Tumor Board

300 children in 3 years
FPI in January 2016
170 patients as of Dec 2016

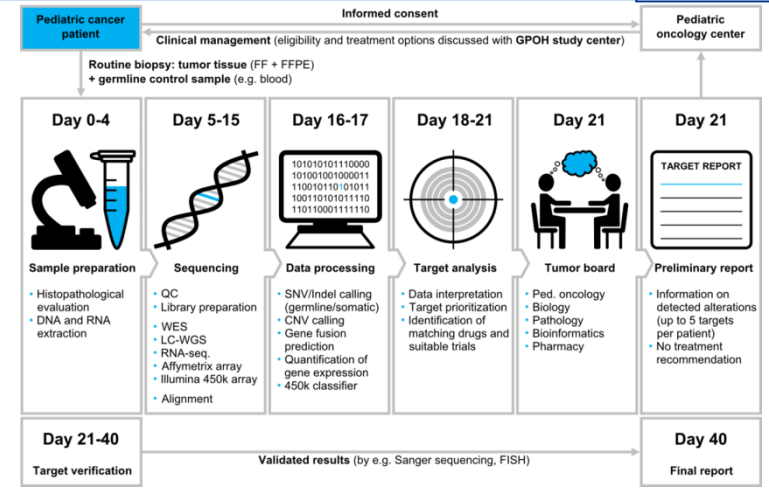


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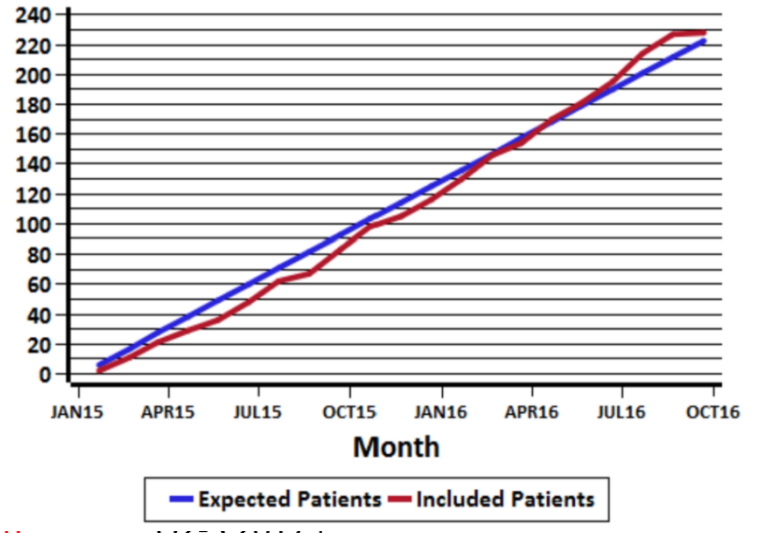


Lab => bedside

ALL-HR	Goals feasibility phase Logistics => molecular analysis, target identification, turnaround => individualized risk management => access mode compounds Clinical data base => molecular targets => documentation of individualized treatments => clinical courses, tox data Molecular data => genomic, epigenomic, transcriptomic profiles Evaluation of data => druggable target patterns within/across entities => set of targeted compounds of interest "tool box" => define number of eligible patients/year for clinical trial
ALL post-SCT	
AML	
NHL	
Neuroblastoma	
Ependymoma	
Medulloblastoma	
High grade glioma	
Soft tissue sarcoma	
Ewing sarcoma	
Osteosarcoma	
Rhabdoid tumors	
Other	



Number of patients



↑ 21.10.2013
 ↑ 19.1.2015
 ↑ SAB1: 11/2015
 ↑ SAB2: 11/2015

The ITCC Precision Cancer Medicine program

1. Generate molecular profiling for each patient

Molecular Matching Trials at relapse

WES, RNA seq, methylome
immunophenotype

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(France, Spain, Denmark, Italy)

iTHER (Netherland)

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Platform, pipelines and
data harmonization



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3. Evaluate drugs and combinations

Phase 1 & 2 ITCC Trials

(sponsored by industry and ISTs)

MATRIX trial (Genentech/Roche)

eSMART trial

IST multi-agent from multi-company

AcSé



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4. Create

**European clinico –
biological database**

**1000 exomes
in relapse**

5. New knowledge

*new druggable pathways
for specific pediatric drug development*



Patient with tumor molecular profile at relapse (WES, RNAseq, Immuno)

MATCH

MATCH

AcSé eSMART
INSTITUT NATIONAL DU CANCER

GUSTAVE ROUSSY
CANCER CAMPUS GRAND PARIS

European Proof-of-Concept Therapeutic Stratification Trial of Molecular Anomalies in Relapsed or Refractory Tumors in children (ESMART)

IST - phase I/II
single agent and combo

Goal >10 drugs from >3 Companies

Wave 1: 7 treatment arms with 5 drugs from AZD, Novartis, BMS

launched august 2016

ITCC #	Agent/Combo
ITCC-021	E
ITCC-024	P
ITCC-025	I
ITCC-027	E
ITCC-011	M
ITCC-015	V
ITCC-037	G
ITCC-033	M
ITCC-034	I
ITCC-041	L
ITCC-022	V
ITCC-032	T
ITCC-045	V
ITCC-038	A
ITCC-047	R
ITCC-044	E
ITCC-050	L
ITCC-036	P
ITCC-049	A
ITCC-0xx	M
ITCC-0xx	M
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Portfolio of ITCC phase I and phase II trials

Multistakeholder Paediatric Oncology Platform

To improve new oncology drug development for children

December 2013



Creating a unique, multi-stakeholder Paediatric Oncology Platform to improve drug development for children and adolescents with cancer

[Eur J Cancer 2015;51:218.](#)



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Academia,
Industry,
Parents,
Regulatory Bodies

ACCELERATE
INNOVATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH CANCER

www.accelerate-platform.eu



Proposals

1. Pediatric development should be based on drug **mechanism of action** instead of adult indication
2. **Prioritisation** should be set up to choose compounds to be evaluated or not in children
 - Based on MOA, needs, feasibility
 - Using stonger biological and preclinical data
3. **Reduce delay in starting pediatric development**
4. **Break the 18 years dogma**
5. **New incentives and rewards**

Cause of children with cancer

Champions in the Parliament



Elena Gentile ,Françoise Grossetête,
Alojz Peterle, Glenis Willmott



European Parliament

**Resolution of the EU Parliament
voted in 15 December 2016
(2016/2902(RSP))**

Conclusion

- Precision Medicine in Pediatric Oncology drug development:
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- Work together and re-invent partnerships



ACCELERATE Multistakeholder Paediatric Platform

5th Annual Paediatric Oncology Conference



SAVE THE DATE

2-3 March 2017 | Brussels, Belgium

March 2nd & 3rd, 2017