

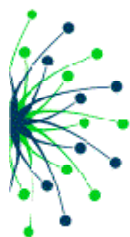
Innovative Medicines Initiative

Testimonial from an industry partner

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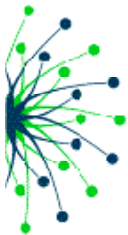


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AstraZeneca at a glance



- **Pure play pharmaceuticals business**
 - Cardiovascular/Metabolism & Gastrointestinal
 - Neuroscience
 - Respiratory and Inflammation
 - Oncology and Infection
 - Small Molecules and Biologicals
- Over 65,000 employees worldwide
- 12,000 people in R&D
- 26 manufacturing sites in 18 countries
- Extensive sales & marketing network dedicated to meeting our customers' needs in over 100 countries.
- Sales 2008: 36.1 billion USD
- R&D spend 2008: over 5 billion USD



Why drugs fail in development and how these vary by phase?

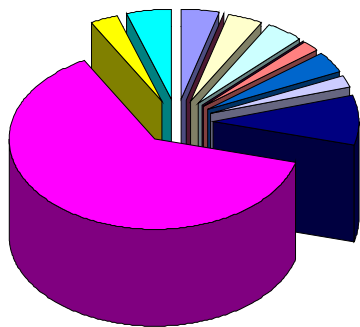


Preclinical

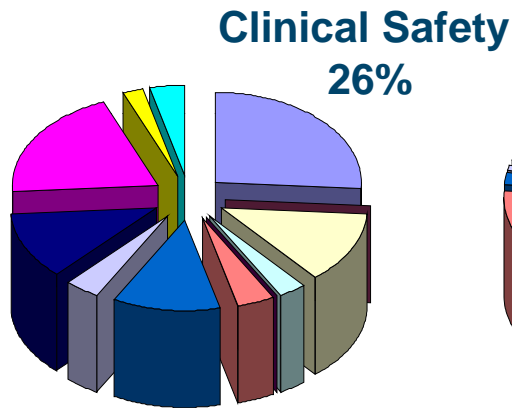
Phase I

Phase II

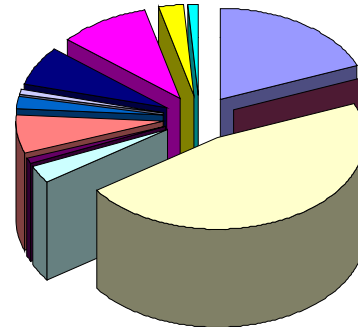
Phase III



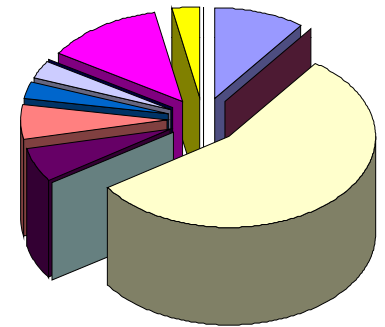
Toxicology
62%



Clinical Safety
26%

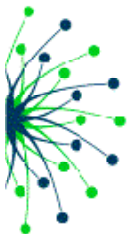


Efficacy
47%



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55%

Problem to be solved at EU level: Only 1 of 10 CDs may become a product

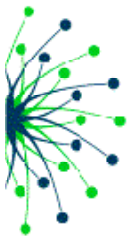


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(Safer and faster evidence-based translation)



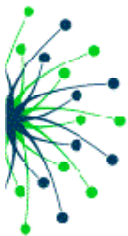
- 3 target organs critical for drug-induced injury with non-appropriate clinical monitoring :
 - **Kidney:** Current standards (Serum Creatinine, BUN) are only increased when 50-60% of the kidney function is lost.
 - **Liver:** Current standards (AST, ALT, Bilirubin) are not specific and do not predict who will recover and who will develop fulminant liver disease.
 - **Vascular System:** There are currently no biomarkers to monitor drug-induced vascular injury in human.
- Goal:
 - To qualify translational safety biomarkers for monitoring DIKI, DILI and DIVI **in humans.**



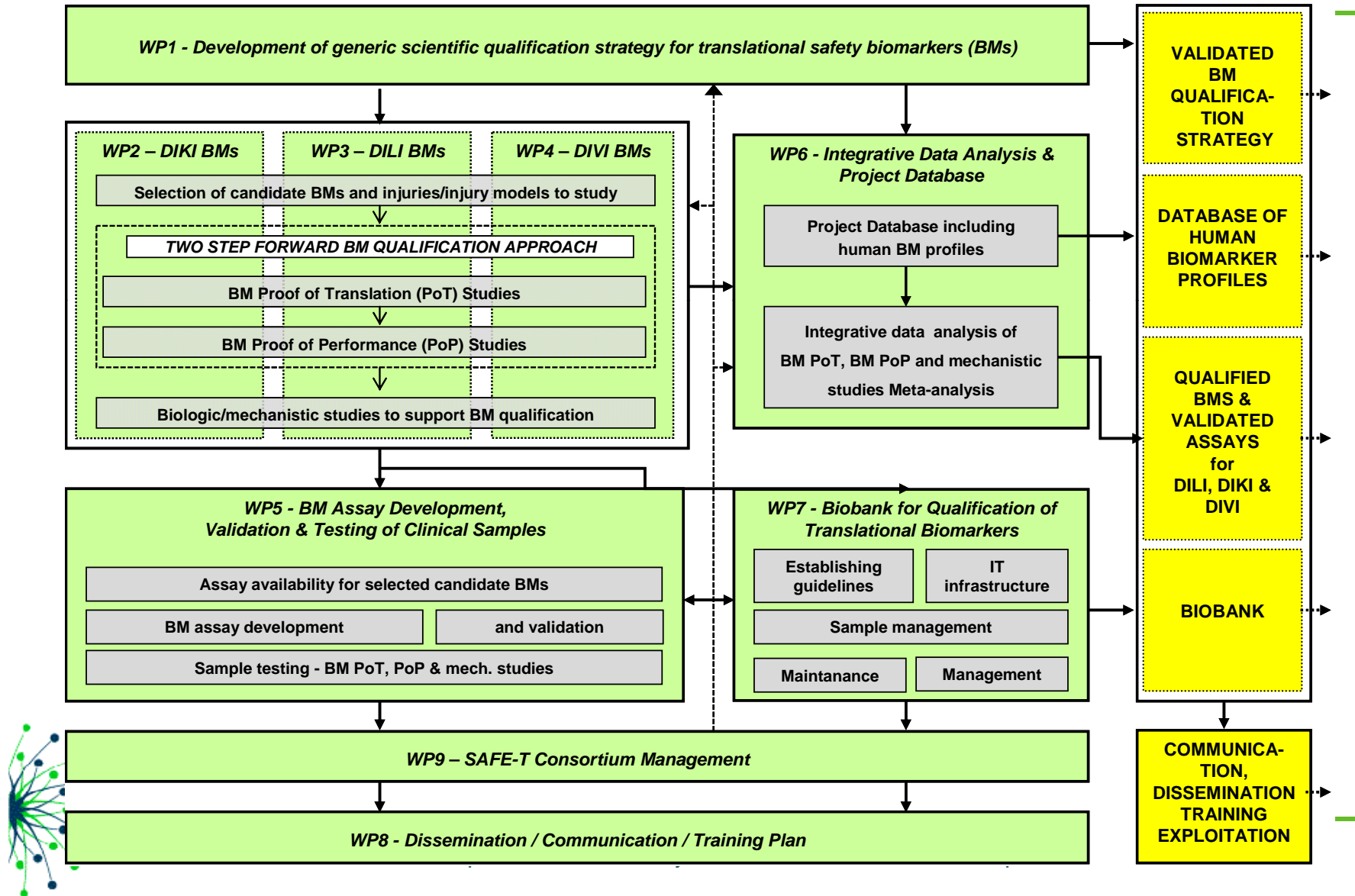
SAFE-T: Partners



- **EFPIA (11):**
 - **Novartis (Coordinator of the SAFE-T consortium)**
 - Almirall
 - Amgen
 - Pfizer
 - Hoffmann La Roche
 - AstraZeneca
 - Bayer Schering Pharma AG
 - Boehringer Ingelheim
 - Eli Lilly
 - GlaxoSmithKline
 - Sanofi Aventis
- **External Advisors :**
 - European Medicines Agency
 - FDA (proposed)
- **Academic (5):**
 - Barcelona Cardiovascular Research Center
 - Charité Hospital
 - Groupe d'Etudes et de Recherches en Médecine Interne et Maladies Infectieuses - APHP
 - Groupe Hospitalier Pitié Salpêtrière - APHP
 - Natural and Medical Sciences Institute
 - Tel-Aviv (Souraski) Medical Center
- **SMEs (4):**
 - **Firalis SAS (Coordinator of the Initial Applicant SAFE-T consortium)**
 - Argutus Medical Limited
 - Experimental & Diagnostic Immunology GmbH
 - Interface Europe



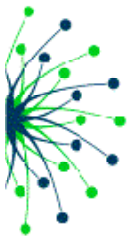
SAFE-T: Project Overview



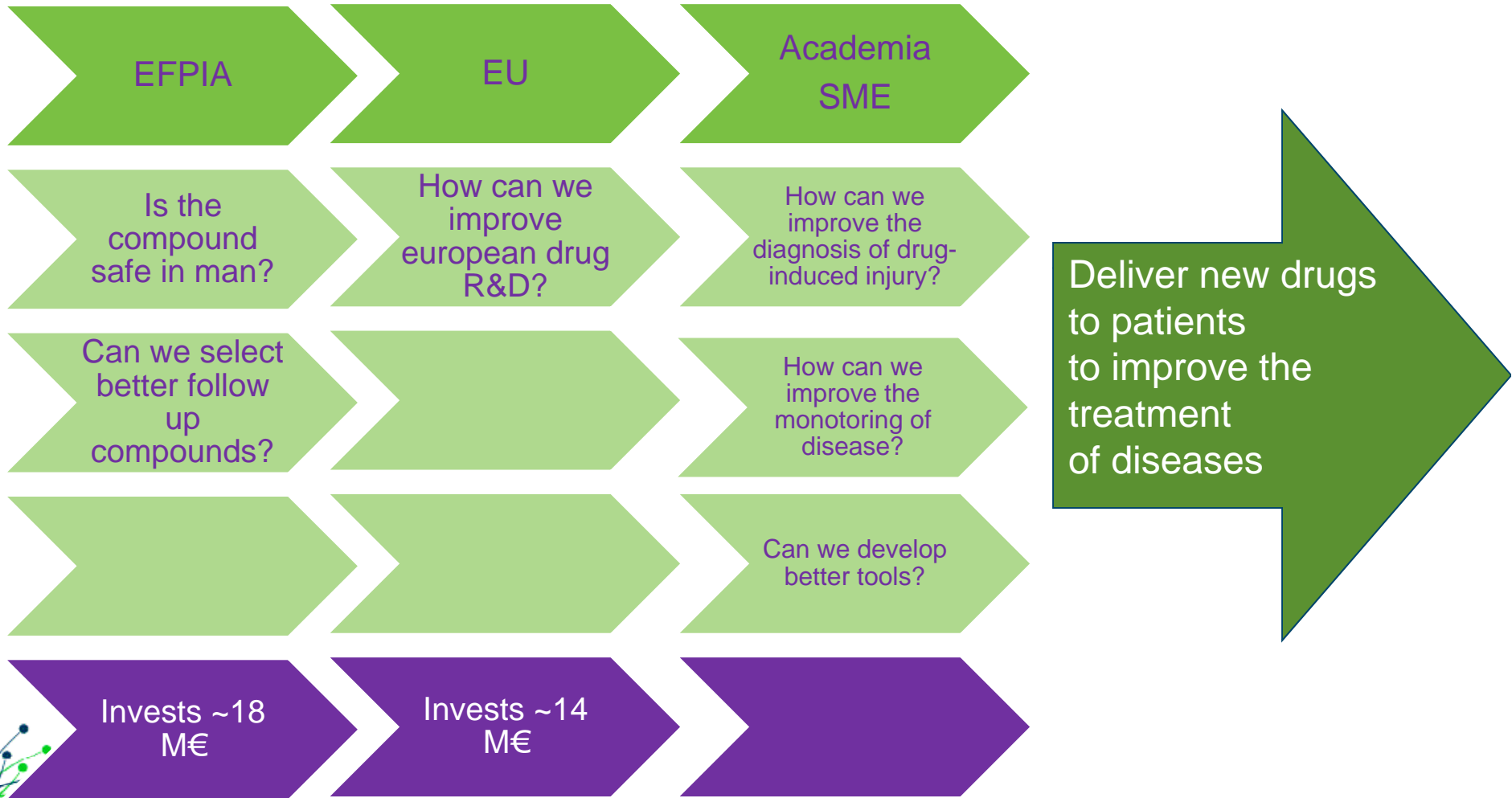
SAFE-T: Facts and Status



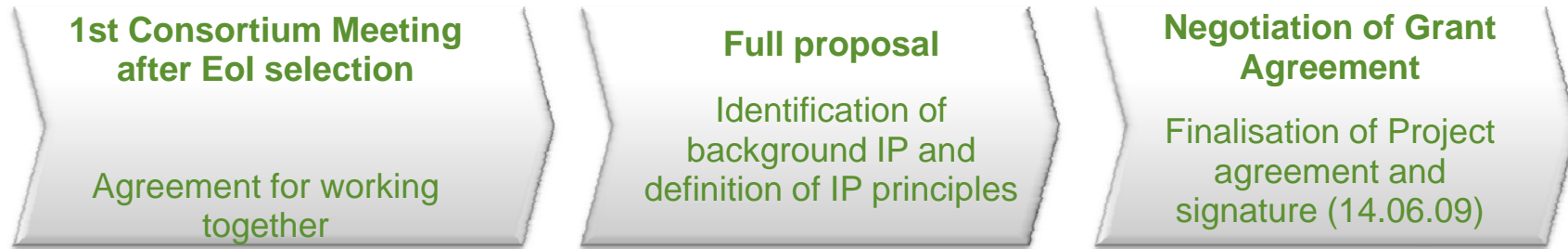
- Duration: **5 years, 35.8 Mio €** research budget
- Kick off meeting June 15, 2009 – first IMI project that started
- Governance structure
 - Steering Committee (Project coordinator Frank Dieterle, Novartis)
 - Scientific Advisory Committee (Scientific coordinator Ina Schuppe Koistinen, AZ)
 - Work package leaders, task leaders
 - Ethical Committee, IP Committee
- Project work ongoing according to plan, first deliverables
 - Scientific biomarker qualification strategy
 - Prioritised list of DILI/DILI/DIVI biomarkers for qualification
 - Clinical study templates/plans



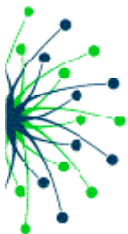
SAFE-T: Common Goal



SAFE-T: management of IP



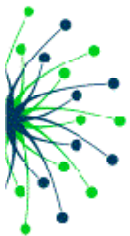
- A need for good communication between partners:
 - Identify the various interest
 - Define who brings what?
- SAFE-T: definition of a specific IP regime
 - Biomarker IP
 - Technology IP
- The preparation of the Project agreement need to be supported by a neutral body to ensure that all interests are met.
 - SAFE-T Project Agreement prepared and agreed in 4 months



Some words of advise



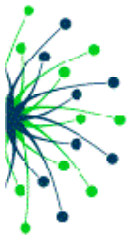
- Study the Call text carefully
 - All components need to be addressed in the consortium
- Different from FP7:
 - Project coordination typically by EFPIA representative
 - Application + consortium formation process
 - The primary goal is not performing cutting edge research for the purpose of research but to achieve the stated objectives
- Include an appropriate number of partners
- Do not under-estimate the time required for preparation of the EOI
- Communication, communication, communication



Personal Reflections



- **Focus on science**
 - Interaction with Pharma as scientists sharing the same vision
 - Possible to reach broad scientific consensus on new safety biomarkers
- **Focus on the common goal**
 - New medicines for the treatment of diseases
 - Improved understanding of the molecular mechanisms of drug-induced injuries
- **Recognise the power of the IMI-JU**
 - Unique opportunity to work across disciplines
 - Large project budget
 - Cross-fertilisation EFPIA, Academia/SME and EMEA



The Scientific Challenge is to qualify translational safety biomarkers

