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### Rare diseases activities at EU level

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**Coordination of research** 





National plans, information, codification, patient registries, access to best care and knowledge



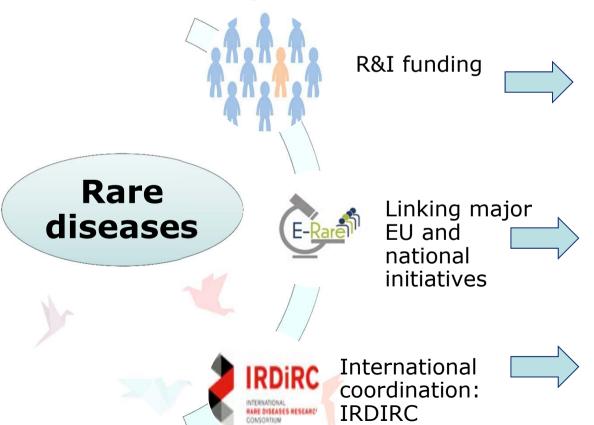




### EU funded rare diseases research

#### **Research priorities**

#### **Research Results**



Close to € 900 million in more than 160 projects in FP7 and H2020 on: pathophysiology, natural history, delivered new diagnostics and therapies

**E-RARE: research funders collaboration**: more than € 90 million in more than 100 projects

IRDIRC: 200 new therapies and means to diagnose most rare diseases achieved in 2017: >50 international partners, policies and guidelines to implement goals

#### E-Rare-3: beyond Europe

#### 28 partners in 20 countries





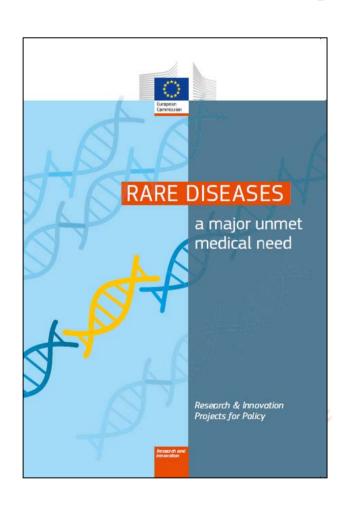
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- **UEFISCDI** (Romania)
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# **Projects for Policy (P4P) Report on Rare Diseases**



**CURRENT POLICY CHALLENGES** 

PORTFOLIO OF EU-FUNDED PROJECTS

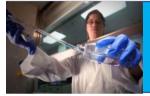
IMPACT AND RESULTS OF EU FUNDING

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/p4p\_en



# Need for a coherent strategy – from bench to bedside













- More efficiently bring the results of research and innovation to the patient
- Programme to implement a research and innovation pipeline, from bench to bedside
- Integrative programme linking major EU and national initiatives – R&D, research infrastructures, registries
- Bridging to ERNs to help implementing research results and taking lessons learned from the clinic back to the bench

### Rare Disease European Joint Programme Cofund (SC1-BHC-04-2018) Scope

- Create research and innovation pipeline "from bench to bedside" ensuring rapid translation of research results into clinical applications and uptake in healthcare for the benefit of patients.
- Follow the policies and contribute to objectives of IRDiRC.
- Improve integration, efficacy, production and social impact of RD research through development and promotion of sharing of research and clinical data, knowledge and materials.
- Implement and further develop an efficient model of financial support for RD research including basic, clinical, epidemiological, social, economic and health service research.

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### Rare Disease European Joint Programme Cofund (SC1-BHC-04-2018) Scope continued

Implement joint programme of activities including research, coordination, networking, training, demonstration and dissemination:

- Research and innovation programme encompassing various aspects of RD research to be funded through transnational calls resulting in financial support to third parties based on practices from ERA-NETs.
- Virtual platform for RD information, research data, samples, tools and standards building on existing resources; establish new connections across RD community in particular with ERNs; launch pilot actions to ensure usefulness of tools to be followed by upscaling in progressive manner.
- Capacity building including training and support activities to improve R&I potential of key stakeholders and enhance uptake of research results.
- Strategic coordination and management through annual programming.
   Appropriate considerations of ELSI aspects. Integration of the IRDiRC Secretariat.
- Participation of patient organisations should be encouraged in relevant activities.

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## Rare Disease European Joint Programme Cofund (SC1-BHC-04-2018) <u>Expected Impact</u>

- Improve lives of rare disease patients by providing new and optimised treatment options and diagnostic tools for these diseases.
- Decrease fragmentation of rare diseases expertise and research resources.
- Increase the EU's capacity to innovate in the field of rare diseases.
- Improve healthcare systems' capacity to take up research results.
- Reinforce the EU's role as a global leader for rare diseases.

Type of Action: COFUND (European Joint Programme)

Indicative EU contribution: € 50-55 million

Deadline: 18 April 2018



### **EJP Cofund – Eligibility and funding**

Minimum five independent legal entities from different Member States or Associated Countries owning or managing national research and innovation programmes:

- **Programme owners**, typically national ministries/regional authorities responsible for defining, financing or managing programmes carried out at national or regional level.
- Programme 'managers' (such as research councils, funding agencies or governmental research performing organisations) or other entities that implement national or regional research and innovation programmes under the mandate of the programme owners.
- In addition to the minimum conditions, other legal entities may participate if justified by the nature of the action, in particular entities created to coordinate or integrate transnational research efforts, grouping funding from both national and private sources.
- Funding: The Horizon 2020 contribution will be limited to 70% of the total eligible costs of the action

#### **EJP Cofund on rare diseases - Timelines**

October 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 Exploratory Meeting with MS

April 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 Workshop in Brussels with MS and

experts

October 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 Funders' Meeting on EJP Cofund

November 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 Opening of call including EJP Cofund topic

April 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 Deadline for proposal submission

Q3-Q4 2018 Outcome of evaluation, grant preparation

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