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Agenda – Joint HMA/EMA Workshop on Artificial Intelligence in Medicines Regulation - 19-20 April 2021 (Virtual)

Day 1 - 19 April 2021 (15:00-18:50 CET)

Introduction

14:45-15:00	Joining and technical checks	15'
	Welcome to the workshop	
	Peter Arlett, EMA	
15:00-15:05	Opening remarks from the EMA Executive Director	5'
	Emer Cooke, Executive Director, EMA	
15:05-15:10	Opening remarks from the HMA Chairperson	5'
	Karl Broich, Chairperson, BFARM, HMA	
15:10-15:20	European Commission policy initiatives in AI	10'
	Andrzej Rys, Director - Health Systems, Medical Products and Innovation, DG SANTE	

Scene setting: AI – a paradigm-shifting technology in healthcare

Moderator: Nikolai Brun, DKMA

15:20-15:40	AI to improve the lives of patients	15'
	Andre Dekker, Maastricht University	
	Discussion	5'
15:40-16:00	Putting machine learning into real-world practice: patient-level prediction development and validation in observational data	15'

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	Peter Rijnbeek, Erasmus MC	5'
Discussion		
16:00-16:20	AI, Digital Twins and the promise of personalised medicine	15'
Liesbet Geris, Universities of Liège and KUL		
Discussion		
16:20-16:50	Translating a Trillion Points of Data into Real World Evidence and Enabled Intelligence for Medicine	20'
Atul Butte, UCSF		
Discussion		

Applications of AI in Medicines and Medicines Regulation

Moderator: Zaide Frias, EMA

16:50-17:10	Novel methods in pharmacovigilance: use cases in VigiBase	20'
	Lucie Gattepaille, WHO-UMC	
17:10-17:30	AI and Digitalisation at EMA	20'
	Joaquim Berenguer Jornet & Florence Butlen-Ducuing, EMA	
17:30-17:50	AI in Therapeutic Development – A Policy Perspective	20'
	Khair El Zarrad, FDA	
17:50-18:10	AI in Medical Devices and Digital Healthcare Applications – the BfArM perspective	20'
	Wolfgang Lauer, BFARM	
18:10-18:30	Company experience of using AI to aid drug development	20'
	Boris Braylyan, Pfizer	
18:30-18:50	Discussion and end of day 1	20'

Day 2 - 20 April 2021 (15:00-18:00 CET)

Introduction to second day

14:45-15:00	Joining and technical checks	15'
15:00-15:05	Opening remarks	5'

Peter Arlett, EMA

AI Transformation in Medicines Regulation: recommendations for action

Moderator: Jesper Kjaer, DKMA

15:05-15:25	European medicines agencies network strategy to 2025 - Strategy for Digital transformation	20'
	Jesper Kjaer, DKMA	
15:25-15:45	Big Data Taskforce Recommendations and Regulatory Science Strategy on AI	20'
	Gianmario Candore, EMA	
15:45-15:55	ICMRA AI Recommendations	10'
	Agnes Saint-Raymond, EMA	
15:55-16:05	Big Data Training Survey	10'
	Jörg Zinserling, BFARM	
16:05-16:20	Break	15'

Discussion on Recommendations

Moderator: Anthony Humphreys, EMA

Rapporteur: Luis Pinheiro, EMA

16:20-17:45	Round table discussion	85'
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspectors - Lisbeth Bregnhøj, DKMA• Researchers - Peter Rijnbeek, Erasmus MC• Academia - Mark Lawler, Queen's University Belfast, FEAM• Consumers - Jelena Malinina, BEUC• MedTech - Danny van Roijen, COCIR• Patients Organisation - Marilena Vrana, European Heart Network• Healthcare professional Organisation - Ioana Agache, EACCI• Pharmaceutical Industry - Kelly Zou, Viatris• Industry - Douglas Gregory, BMS, Digital Europe• European Innovation Network - Larry O'Dwyer, HMA	

Summary of the workshop and conclusion

17:45-18:00	Concluding remarks	15'
	Nikolai Brun, DKMA	

Abbreviations

BFARM – Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte – Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices

BEUC - The European Consumer Organisation

BMS – Bristol Myers Squibb

COEUR – European Coordination Committee of the Radiological, Electromedical and Healthcare IT Industry

DKMA – Danish Medicines Agency

EAACI - European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology

EHN – European Heart Network

EMA – European Medicines Agency

FDA – Food and Drug Administration, United States

FEAM – Federation of European Academies of Medicine

HMA – Heads of Medicines Agency

UCSF – University of California San Francisco

WHO-UMC – Uppsala Monitoring Centre - World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for International Drug Monitoring

List of documents and links

Documents with recommendations

[Joint HMA/EMA Big Data Taskforce](#)

[EMA Regulatory Science Strategy to 2025](#)

[European medicines agencies network strategy to 2025](#)

Links to organisations

[International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities](#)

Documents of National Competent Authorities

[Questions to critical GxP AI/ML applications](#)