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a comprehensive  
information service for RD

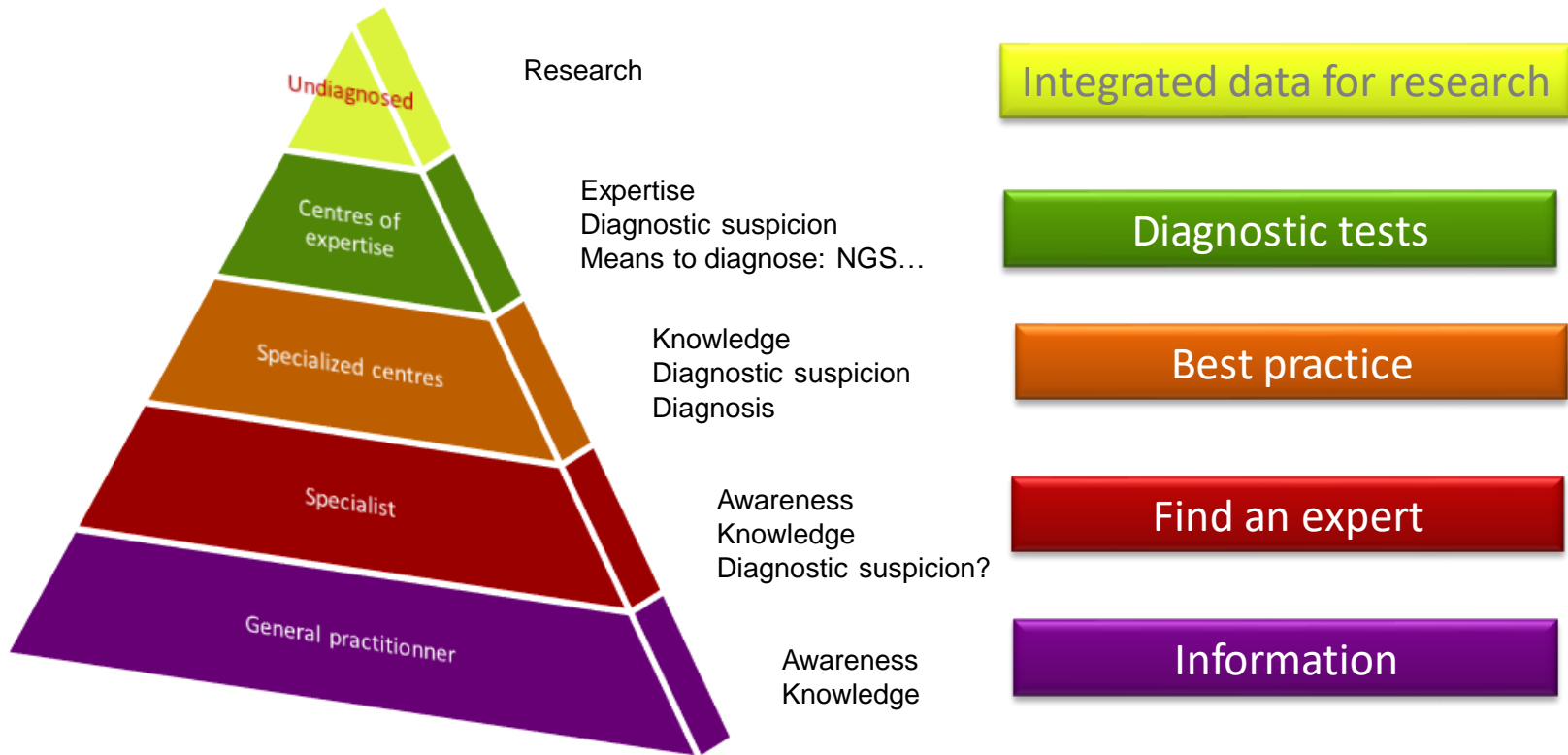
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# Objectives

- Have an overall knowledge on what Orphanet is
- Know how to search by disease, by gene
- Know how to find a centre of expertise, a patient organisation, information on research and drugs
- Know how to find a collection of texts for a given disease
- How to find expert services and research
- How to access Orphanet tutorials

# The RD pyramid



## Orphanet's missions



Improve the **visibility** of RD by providing **a common language** across healthcare and research systems (ORPHAcodes)

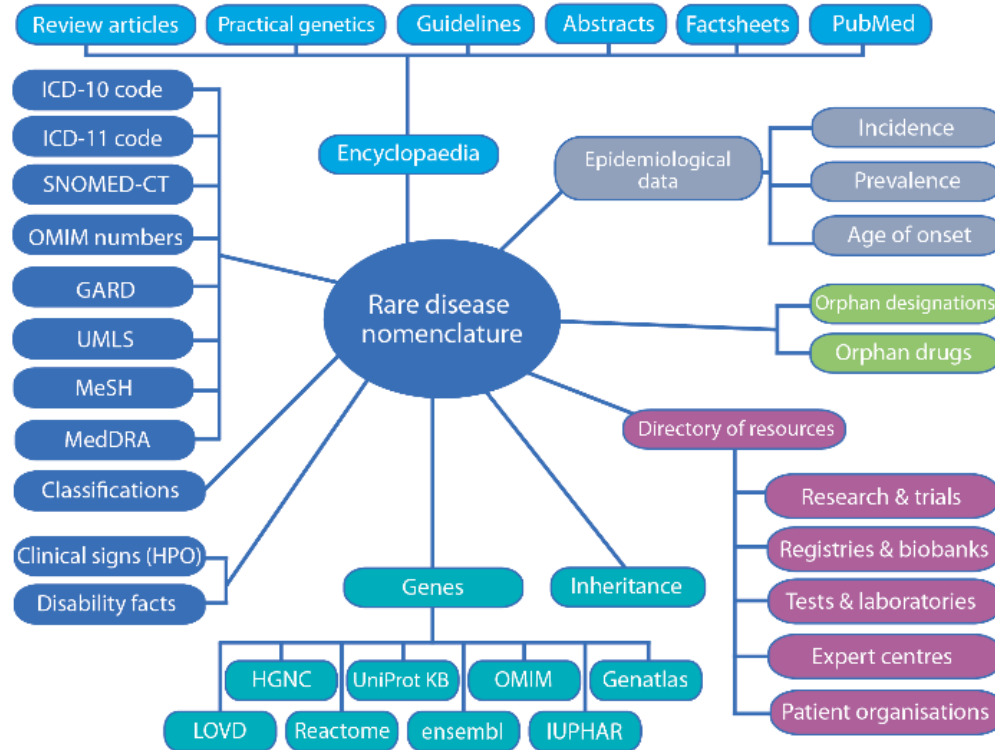


Provide **high-quality information** and **expertise** on RD



Contribute to **generating knowledge**  
→ piecing together the parts of the puzzle for better understanding of RD

# Orphanet, added-value knowledge base for health and research



Reference rare disease nomenclature

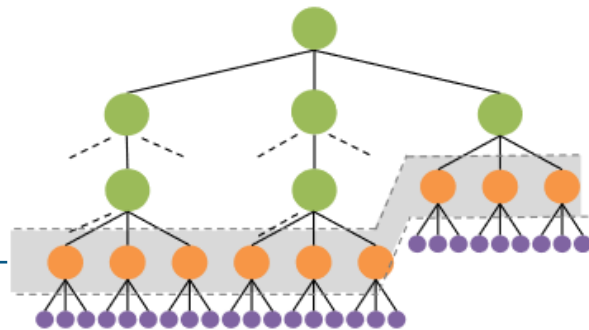


## WHAT IS THE ORPHANET NOMENCLATURE?

A MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY SPECIFIC TO RARE DISEASES (<1 in 2000 cases)

Clinical definition:

Disorders are clinically homogeneous entities described in at least two independent individuals, confirming that the clinical signs are not associated by fortuity.



Group

9,318 Clinical entities

Disorder

- 2,175 Groups

Subtype

- 6,162 Disorders

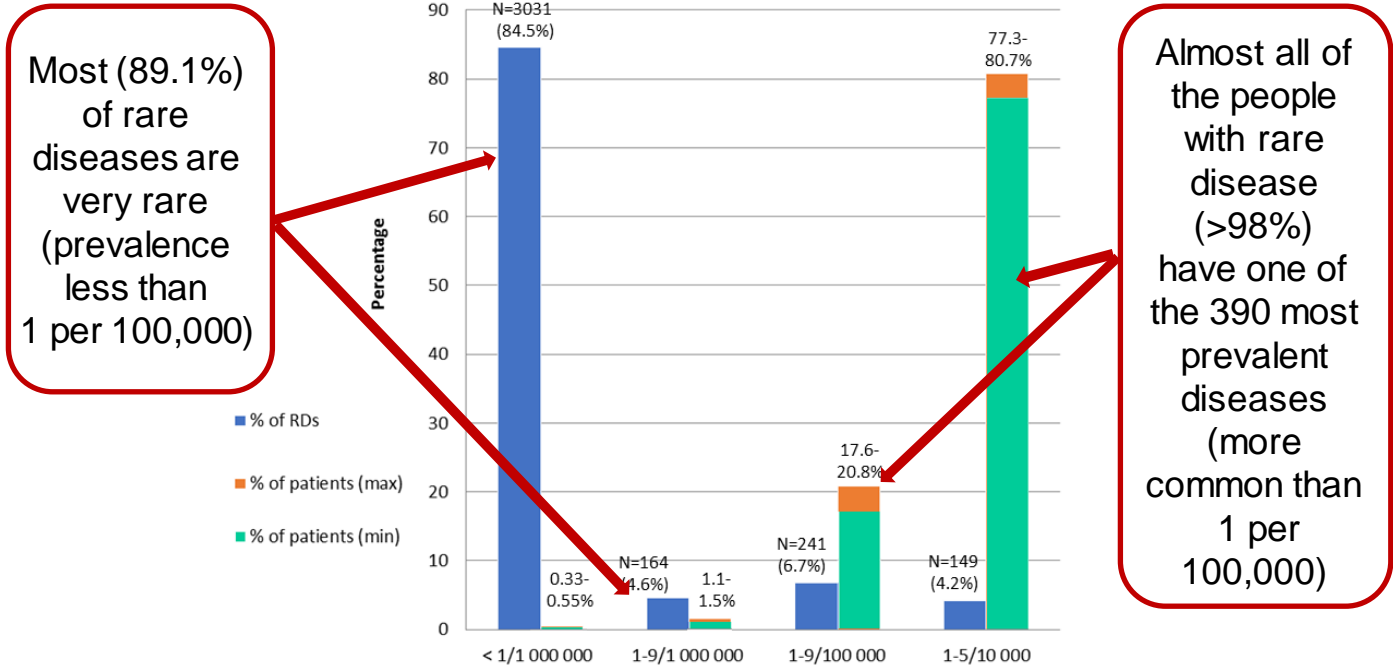
- 981 Subtypes

"Classification level"



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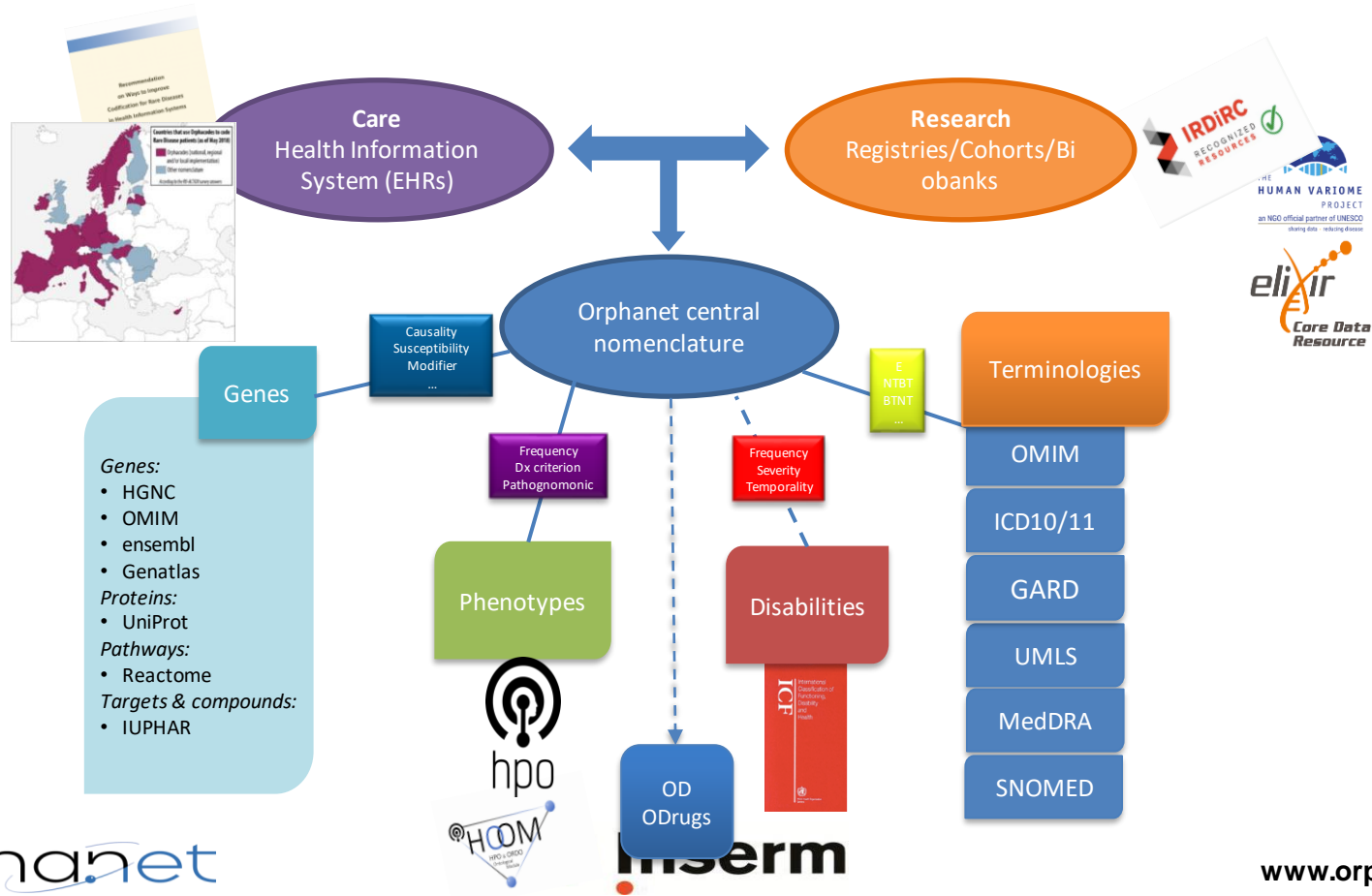
# How many patients suffering from RD?



**3.5 - 5.9% of the population (263 - 446 Million people) worldwide**

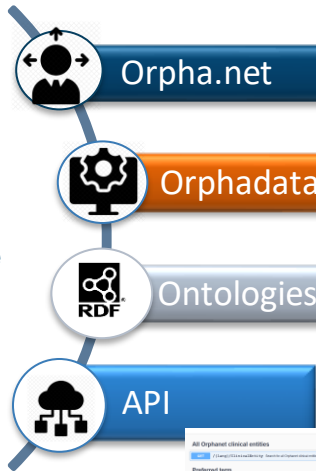
\*Based on 68% of prevalent RD based on EU definition (< 50/100,000), data from literature.

# A common language across fields





# Different media for different users

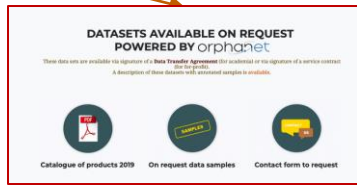
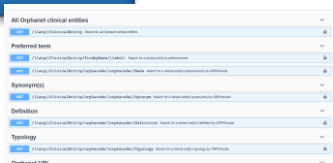


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- A network of **42 countries** in Europe and beyond
- A freely accessible website available in **8 languages**
- **45 million pages** viewed in 2020
- **6.8 million PDF documents** downloaded in 2020
- Orphanet & ORDO - IRDiRC Recognized Resources and HVP Recommended Systems
- Orphadata – An ELIXIR Core Data Resource



#### Diseases

- 6,171** rare disorders with unique Identifiers : ORPHA codes
- 5,730** genes linked to 3,795 rare disorders
- 4,065** disorders annotated with HPO terms
- 5,822** disorders annotated with point prevalence data


#### Rare disease summaries in 13 languages

- 6,603** English
- 4,079** French
- 5,358** Spanish
- 4,472** Italian
- 3,558** German
- 4,709** Dutch
- 1,160** Portuguese
- 1,248** Polish
- 420** Greek
- 253** Russian
- 166** Finnish
- 113** Japanese
- 103** Slovak

#### Directory of expert resources in the Orphanet network

- 28,460** Professionals referenced in the database
- 2,743** Patient organisations
- 8,249** Expert centres
- 1,621** Medical laboratories dedicated to diagnosis
- 44,356** Diagnostic tests
- 3,003** Ongoing research projects
- 4,602** Ongoing clinical trials
- 894** Patient registries
- 273** Mutation databases
- 185** Biobanks

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# orphanet

The portal for rare diseases and orphan drugs

*"Rare diseases are **rare**, but rare disease patients are **numerous**"*


## Access our Services

 Inventory, classification and encyclopaedia of rare diseases, with genes involved	 Inventory of orphan drugs	 Directory of patient organisations	 Directory of professionals and institutions
 Directory of expert centres	 Directory of medical laboratories providing diagnostic tests	 Directory of ongoing research projects, clinical trials, registries and biobanks	 Collection of thematic reports: Orphanet Reports Series


Search a disease

www.orpha.net

### COVID-19 & Rare Diseases



Find expert recommendations and services, including those provided by European Reference Networks, concerning COVID-19 and rare diseases, in different languages.



### ORPHANET IN NUMBERS

- 46 million pages viewed
- 10.4 million PDFs downloaded
- Visits from 236 countries



Around 1,5 million visitors per month from 236 countries

**42 % health professionals**  
**35 % patients, families and support groups**

As well as researchers, industry, policy makers, students

Most appreciated products: disease summaries, clinical signs, epidemiological data, classifications, and disability data\*

\* Annual Orphanet Users' Survey February 2020

Users



### Rare diseases

- > Search
- > Clinical Signs and Symptoms
- > Classifications
- > Genes
- > Disability
- > Encyclopaedia for patients
- > Encyclopaedia for professionals
- > Emergency guidelines



### Orphan drugs

- > Search



### Expert centres and Networks

- > Expert centres
- > Networks of expert centre
- > European reference networks



### Diagnostic tests

- > Laboratories
- > Diagnostic tests



### Research and trials

- > Research projects
- > Clinical trials
- > Registries & biobanks
- > Platforms



### Patient organisations

- > Patient organisation
- > Federations/Alliances
- > Helplines for personal queries



### Professionals and institutions

- > Institutions
- > Professionals
- > Network of experts
- > Get in touch



### Other information

- > Quality charters
- > About orphan drugs
- > About Orphanet
- > About rare diseases
- > Orphanet Reports series
- > Orphanet Tutorials
- > Orphanet procedures



**Epidemiology:**  
5,804 diseases annotated with point prevalence data  
**Natural history:**  
5,303 diseases annotated with mode of inheritance  
6,198 diseases annotated with age of onset

**Mappings:**  
6,847 diseases mapped to ICD-10  
4,609 diseases mapped to OMIM  
4,745 diseases mapped to UMLS  
1,148 diseases mapped to MedDRA  
1,731 diseases mapped to MeSH  
3,756 diseases mapped to GARD

**Genes:**  
5,544 genes linked to 3,856 rare diseases  
5,539 genes interfaced with HGNC  
5,037 genes interfaced with OMIM  
4,955 genes interfaced with GenAtlas  
5,064 genes interfaced with UniProtKB  
5,498 genes interfaced with Ensembl  
779 genes interfaced with IUPHAR-DB  
4,147 genes interfaced with Reactome

2,207 diseases interfaced with a Pubmed query

3,842 diseases indexed with HPO terms (clinical signs)

885 clinical entities indexed with CIF-derived terms

6,197 external links for 4,081 diseases

The Orphanet encyclopaedia contains the following summary texts:

- 5,899 English
- 4,072 French
- 5,091 Spanish
- 3,825 Italian
- 3,301 German
- 3,773 Dutch
- 1,163 Portuguese
- 1,252 Polish
- 421 Greek
- 245 Russian
- 166 Finnish
- 113 Japanese
- 103 Slovak

In-house produced texts: 122 articles for the general public in French, 103 emergency guidelines in French, translated in German, English, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, and Polish. 80 Disability factsheets in French

**Link to external RD literature**  
527 Review articles  
727 Clinical genetics reviews  
468 Clinical practice guidelines  
154 Guidance for genetic testing  
1,679 General public articles  
293 Emergency guidelines

**Achondroplasia**

**Disease definition**  
Achondroplasia is the most common form of chondrodysplasia, characterized by rhizomelic, exaggerated lumbar lordosis, brachydactyly, and macrocephaly with frontal bossing and midface hypoplasia.

**ORPHA-15**

Synonym(s)	Age of onset	Neonatal	MeSH	D000130
Prevalence	ICD-10	Q77.4	GARD	8173
Classification	OMIM	150850	MedDRA	D000452
Associated disorder	UMLS	C001080		



# 1.1 WHAT IS THE ORPHANET NOMENCLATURE?

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Fanconi-Bickel syndrome

PREFERRED TERM

Suggest an update

Disease definition

DEFINITION

A rare glycogen storage disease due to a deficiency in solute carrier family 2, facilitated glucose transporter member 2 and characterized by hepatorenal glycogen accumulation leading to severe renal tubular dysfunction and impaired glucose and galactose metabolism.

ORPHA:2088

ORPHAcode

Classification level: Disorder

Synonym(s):

GSD due to GLUT2 deficiency

GSD type 11

GSD type XI

Glycogen storage disease due to GLUT2 deficiency

Glycogen storage disease type 11

Glycogen storage disease type XI

Glycogenesis due to GLUT2 deficiency

Prevalence: Unknown

Inheritance: Autosomal recessive

Age of onset: Infancy, Neonatal

ICD-10: E74.0

OMIM: [227810](#)

UMLS: C3495427

MeSH: -

GARD: [2268](#)

MedDRA: -

SYNONYMS



# Signs and symptoms

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## Help

Orphanet provides a clinical description of rare diseases using a set of clinical signs and symptoms (phenotypic abnormalities).

This description, based on cases published in biomedical literature, uses the phenotypic abnormalities referenced in the **Human Phenotype Ontology (HPO)**.

Each phenotypic abnormalities are presented by order of frequency of occurrence in the patient population :

### The frequency in the patients' population can be :

- always present: 100%
- very frequent: 99%-80%
- frequent: 79%-30%
- occasional: 29%-5%
- rare: 4%-1%

### The phenotypic abnormality can be defined as one of the following :

- Pathognomonic sign : a sign whose presence indicates that a particular disease is present beyond any doubt. The absence of this sign does not exclude the possibility of the presence of the disease, but the presence of the pathognomonic sign affirms it with certainty.
- Diagnostic criterion : phenotypic abnormalities noted as « diagnostic criterion » are those included in established sets of criteria to establish the diagnosis of a particular disease having been published in a peer-reviewed journal.
- Exclusion criterion : phenotypic abnormalities noted as « exclusion criterion » are those that are always absent in a particular disease and therefore exclude its diagnosis.



## ORPHA:2331 Kawasaki disease

The phenotypic description of this disease is based on an analysis of the biomedical literature and uses the terms of the Human Phenotype Ontology (HPO). Phenotypic abnormalities are presented by order of frequency of occurrence in the patient population, then by alphabetical order inside each frequency group.

### Diagnostic criterion \*

Fever [HP:0001945](#)

Glossitis [HP:0000206](#)

Cervical lymphadenopathy [HP:0025289](#)

Cheilitis [HP:0100825](#)

Conjunctivitis [HP:0000509](#)

Palmoplantar erythema [HP:0025493](#)

Skin rash [HP:0000988](#)

\* Phenotypic abnormalities noted as « diagnostic criterion » are those included in established sets of criteria to establish the diagnosis of a particular disease having been published in a peer-reviewed journal.

### Clinical signs and symptoms

#### Very frequent

Cervical lymphadenopathy [HP:0025289](#)

Cheilitis [HP:0100825](#)

# Genetic information

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**Procedural document**  
Orphanet inventory of genes related to rare disorders

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(\*) mandatory field

- Gene name or symbol
- Disease name
- MIM number (Gene)
- MIM number (disease)

## FBN1 - fibrillin 1

*Synonym(s)* : **asprosin, Marfan syndrome, MASS, OCTD, SGS**

*Previous symbols and names* : **FBN, MFS1, WMS, fibrillin 1 (Marfan syndrome)**

*Type* : **gene with protein**

### product

*Chromosomal location* : **15q21.1**

*OMIM* : **134797**

*HGNC* : **3603**

*UniProtKB* : **P35555**

*GenAtlas* : **FBN1**

*Ensembl* : **ENSG00000166147**

*IUPHAR-DB* : -

*Reactome* : **P35555**

*LOVD* : **FBN1**

## Diseases list

- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Acromicric dysplasia](#) ORPHA:969 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Familial thoracic aortic aneurysm and aortic dissection](#) ORPHA:91387 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Geleophysic dysplasia](#) ORPHA:2623 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Isolated ectopia lentis](#) ORPHA:1885 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Marfan syndrome type 1](#) ORPHA:284963 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Neonatal Marfan syndrome](#) ORPHA:284979 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Progeroid and marfanoid aspect-lipodystrophy syndrome](#) ORPHA:300382 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Stiff skin syndrome](#) ORPHA:2833 ✓
- > Disease-causing germline mutation(s) in [Weill-Marchesani syndrome](#) ORPHA:3449 ✓
- > Candidate gene tested in [Glaucoma-ectopia lentis-microspherophakia-stiff joints-short stature syndrome](#) ORPHA:2084
- > Candidate gene tested in [Shprintzen-Goldberg syndrome](#) ORPHA:2462

✓ : Assessed



(\*) mandatory field

- Disease name
- ORPHAcode

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**ORPHA:861 Treacher-Collins syndrome**

Activity limitation/participation restriction is described according to the [Orphanet Functioning Thesaurus](#), derived and adapted from the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health – Children and Youth (ICF-CY WHO 2007). The provided information is assessed from the whole patients' population affected by the disease, receiving standard care and management (specific and/or symptomatic management, prevention and prophylaxis, devices and aids, care and support). Functional consequences are organized by their frequency in the patients' population. This general information may not apply to specific cases. Some difficulties reported here can occur with a different temporality or severity degree, and others that are not listed can nevertheless arise.

▼ Loss of an ability

Very frequent			
Temporality	Severity		
Hearing/listening	Permanent limitation	Moderate	
Hearing/listening	Acquisition delay	Severe	
Acquiring language	Acquisition delay	Moderate	
Learning to read	Permanent limitation	Low	
Learning to read	Acquisition delay	Low	
Learning to write	Permanent limitation	Low	
Reading	Acquisition delay	Low	
Writing	Acquisition delay	Low	
Receiving spoken messages	Permanent limitation	Moderate	
Receiving spoken messages	Acquisition delay	Severe	
Receiving written messages	Acquisition delay	Low	
Speaking	Permanent limitation	Low	
Speaking	Acquisition delay	Severe	
Writing messages	Acquisition delay	Low	

Occasional			
Temporality	Severity		
Seeing/watching	Permanent limitation	Unspecified	
Hearing/listening	Permanent limitation	Severe	
Hearing/listening	Acquisition delay	Low	
Receiving spoken messages	Permanent limitation	Severe	
Receiving spoken messages	Acquisition delay	Low	
Motor skills	Acquisition delay	Low	
Staying awake	Permanent limitation	Unspecified	
Performing professional tasks	Permanent limitation	Moderate	
Socializing	Permanent limitation	Unspecified	
Practicing sports	Permanent limitation	Unspecified	

**Environmental factors**

Following are the environmental factors that should be addressed in order to improve the functioning or limit the restrictions deriving from this disease.

- Food
- Sound intensity
- Sound quality

Source: Pr Marie-Paule VAZQUEZ[Expert]\_Pr David GENEVIEVE[Expert]\_Pr Françoise DENOYELLE[Expert]\_Association Coline[Patient organisation]

Last update: 02/06/2015

**Additional information**

**Further information**

- > [Disease\(s\)/group of diseases](#)
- > [Article for general public](#)
- > [Disability factsheet](#)
- > [Clinical signs and symptoms](#)

**Specialised Social Services**

- > [Eurordis directory](#)

# Functional consequences

## Orphanet Disability



# Other selected texts

## 1- For professionals

- Disease summary
- **Emergency guidelines** (2007)...
- Anesthesia guidelines
- Clinical Practice Guidelines (AGREEII)
- Guidance for genetic testing
- GeneReviews ...

Quality assessment

## 2- For patients, families and general public

Multiple languages

## 3- For medical-social sector

Disability Factsheets : (2013)...

# Emergency guidelines

Numéros en cas d'urgence



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Des recommandations et des services d'expert, y compris ceux fournis par les Filières de Santé Maladies Rares (FSMR) et les Réseaux Européens de Référence (ERNs), concernant le COVID-19 et les maladies rares sont disponibles en plusieurs langues.

## COVID-19 et maladies rares en France

Le Gouvernement ouvre la vaccination aux patients vulnérables à très haut risque à compter du 18 janvier

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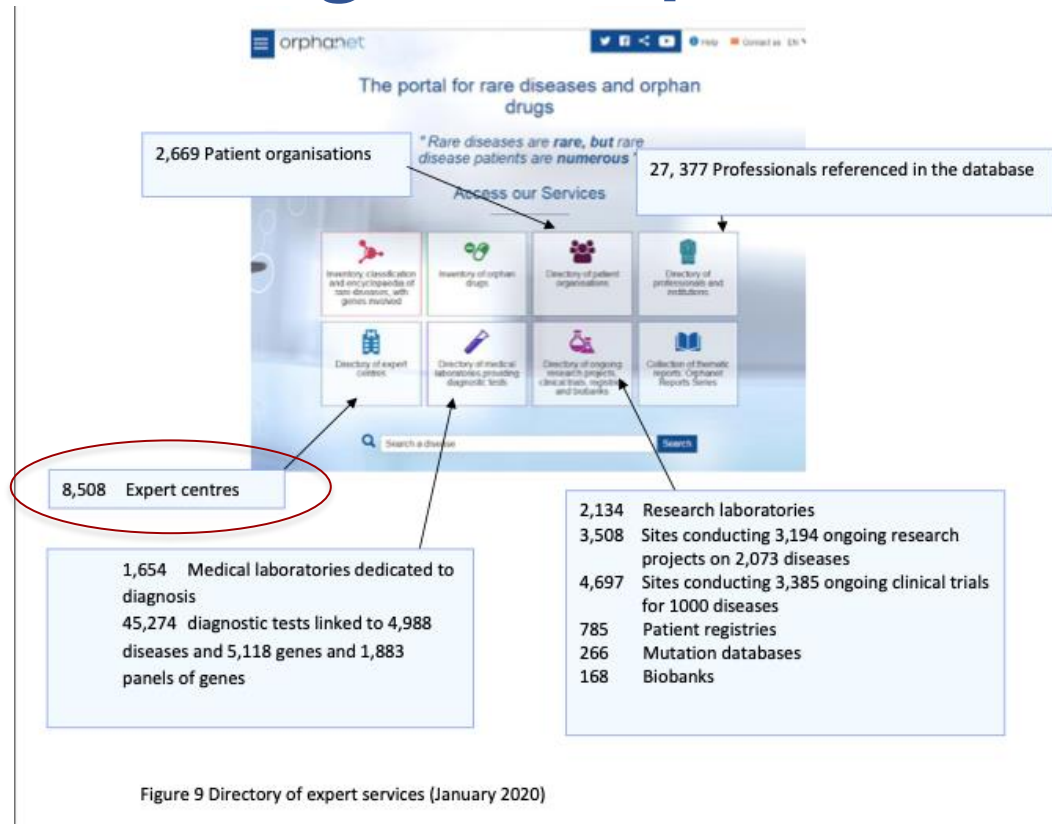
Associations

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Ressources (autres)

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# Catalogue of expert services



## Cartographie des filières

Le Ministère de la Santé a labellisé 23 Filières de Santé Maladies Rares afin d'améliorer la coordination des structures concernées par un ensemble cohérent de maladies rares. Chaque filière regroupe des Centres de Référence Maladies Rares (CRM) qui peuvent être mono-site et ce site unique est « site coordonnateur » ou multi-sites avec un « site coordonnateur » et un ou plusieurs « sites substitutifs » complémentaires. Le pilotage des filières est assuré par un « animateur » désigné en son sein.

Toutes régions ▼ Tous les Filières ▼  
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📍 Site constitutif 📍 Site coordonnateur ★ Animateur filière



# ERNs

## Réseaux de référence européens

Les **réseaux de référence européens** aident les professionnels et les centres d'expertise nationale à partager leurs connaissances.

### Les réseaux de référence européens doivent :

- > appliquer des critères définis par l'UE pour les maladies nécessitant des soins spécialisés
- > servir de centres de recherche et de connaissances traitant des patients venus d'autres États membres
- > garantir si nécessaire des possibilités de soins ultérieurs

### Informations complémentaires :

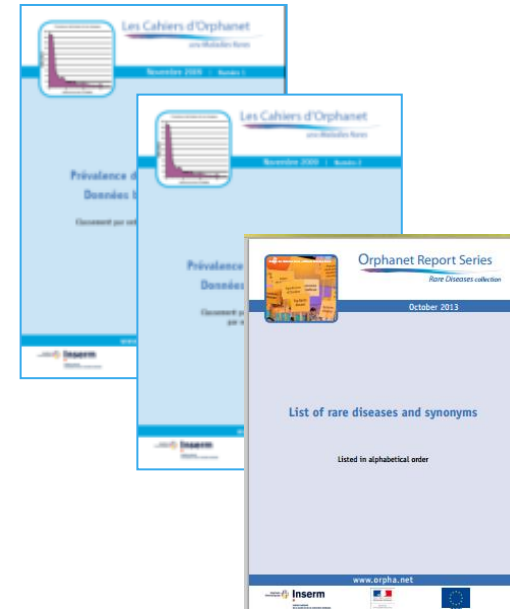
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- > Site web RD-ACTION : <http://www.rd-action.eu/european-reference-networks-erns/>

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In ogni nuova newsletter, OrphaNews Italia divulga gli ultimi sviluppi nel campo delle malattie rare e dei farmaci orfani, compresi i nuovi geni, le nuove sindromi, la ricerca di base e clinica, le iniziative politiche nazionali e internazionali, l'attività di sorveglianza epidemiologica, gli aggiornamenti sulle sperimentazioni cliniche, l'approvazione dei farmaci orfani, le opportunità di finanziamento, le questioni etiche, sociali e legali, le iniziative delle associazioni di pazienti, gli eventi imminenti e le nuove pubblicazioni.

OrphaNews Italia è indirizzata a tutti gli stakeholder della comunità delle malattie rare e dei farmaci orfani compresi i decisori politici, gli scienziati, i professionisti della salute, i rappresentanti dei pazienti, dell'industria biofarmaceutica. I genetisti e chiunque voglia essere informato sulle notizie rilevanti e sulle nuove iniziative nel campo delle malattie rare e dei farmaci orfani.

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70 vues · il y a 3 mois  
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**Comment rechercher une maladie sur Orphanet**  
507 vues · il y a 3 mois  
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**Comment rechercher un gène sur Orphanet**  
137 vues · il y a 3 mois  
Sous-titres



**Search for a rare disease using Orphanet**  
1,6 k vues · il y a 11 mois  
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**Search for a gene using Orphanet**  
405 vues · il y a 11 mois  
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**What is the Orphanet nomenclature of rare disorders**  
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