

USEFUL ACRONYMS

Acronyms and full terms	
ADRs	Adverse Drug Reactions
ATMP	Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products
BLA	Biologic License Application
CAT	Committee for Advanced Therapies
CHMP	Committee for Human Medicinal Products
COMP	Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products
CRO	Contract (or Clinical) Research Organisation
CVMP	Committee for Medicinal Products for Veterinary Use
DG SANCO	Directorate General for Health and Consumers (santé et consommateurs)
DIA	Drug Information Association
DSMB	Data Safety Monitoring Board
EATG	European AIDS Treatment Group
EBM	Evidence-Based Medicine
EC	European Commission
ECRIN	European Clinical Research Infrastructures Network
EFPIA	European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industry Associations
EMA	European Medicines Agency
Enpr-EMA	European Network of Paediatric Research at the European Medicines Agency
EPAR	European Public Assessment Report
EU	European Union
EUCTR	European Clinical Trials Registry
EUNetHTA	European network for health technology assessment
EUPATI	European Patients' Academy on Therapeutic Innovation
EU-RMP	EU Risk Management Plan
EURORDIS	European Organisation for Rare Diseases
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FDAAA	Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act
GCP	Good Clinical Practice
GLP	Good Laboratory Practice
GMP	Good Manufacturing Practice
HCP	HealthCare Professionals
HCPWP	HealthCare Professionals Working Party
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HMPC	Committee for Herbal Medicinal Products
HTA	Health Technology Assessment
ICH	International Conference on Harmonisation
IRB	Institutional Review Board
ITF	Innovation Task Force

MAA Marketing Authorisation Application
MA Marketing Authorisation
MAH Marketing Authorisation Holder
MS Member State
NBAC National Bioethics Advisory Commission
NCA National Competent Authority
NDA New Drug Application
NEJM New England Journal of Medicine
NME New molecular entity
NORD National Organization for Rare Disorders
PA Protocol Assistance
PAES Post-Authorisation Efficacy Study
PASS Post-Authorisation Safety Study
PCWP Patients and Consumers Working Party
PDCO Paediatric Committee
PDUFA Prescription Drug User Fee Act (1992 USA)
PL Package Leaflet
PO Patient Organisation
PRAC Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee
PSO Public Summary of Opinion
PSUR Periodic Safety Update Report
QoL Quality of Life
RCT Randomised Controlled Trial
REMS Risk Evaluation and Minimisation Strategies
REPROTOX reproductive toxicity
RMP Risk Management Plan
RR Response Rate
SA Scientific Advice
SAG Scientific Advisory Group
SAWP Scientific Advice Working Party
SEED Shaping European Early Dialogues for Health Technologies
SCID Severe combined immunodeficiency
SME Small, micro and medium-sized enterprises
SmPC Summary Product Characteristics
SUSAR Suspected Unexpected Serious Adverse Reaction
TAG Treatment Action Group
TEP Tissue Engineered Product
TOPRA The Organisation for Professionals in Regulatory Affairs
UMN Unmet medical need
US United States