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The Clinical Trials Regulation & its impact on oncology – EMA's perspective

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The Clinical Trials Regulation: *where we come from*



...Before May 2004

National rules, different processes/requirements for authorisation in each EU Member States

...resulted in delays and complications

...Directive 2001/20/EC (since 1 May 2004)

First step to harmonise processes and requirements for clinical trial authorisations

Introduction of e-application form

...Regulation (EU) No. 536/2014 (published May 2014)

Full harmonisation and combined assessment of multinational trials (after full functionality of the EU portal and EU database)
e-submission



CTIS is the business tool of the **Clinical Trials Regulation**.
CTIS **harmonises the submission, assessment and supervision of clinical trials.**



Public health

Facilitates large-scale trials to address key health issues (EU Beating Cancer plan, COVID-19...)



Research and innovation

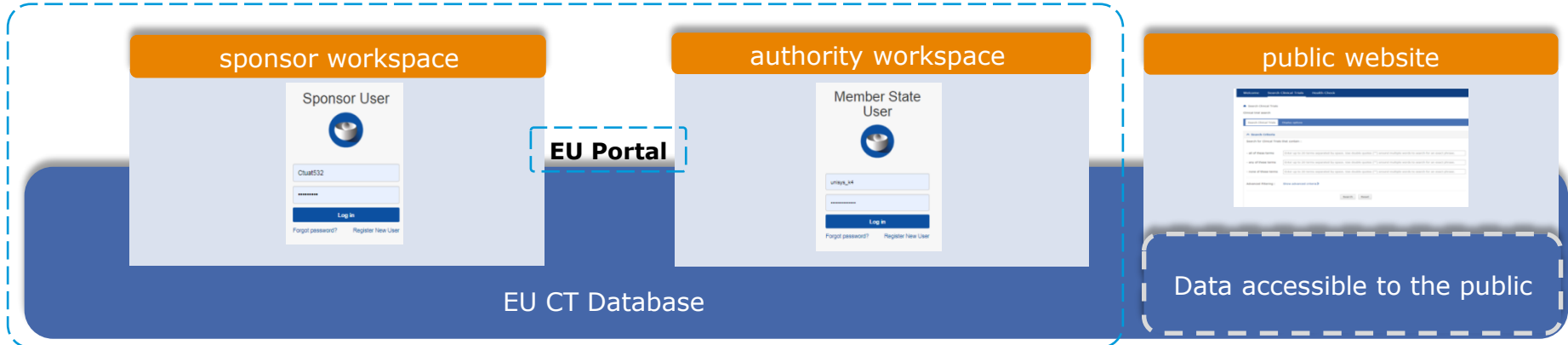
Enables knowledge sharing and expert collaboration.



Investment in research

Ensures the EU/EEA remains an attractive clinical research hub globally.

CTIS: Two dedicated and secure workspaces and a public portal



CTIS: harmonising the authorisation and supervision of clinical trials

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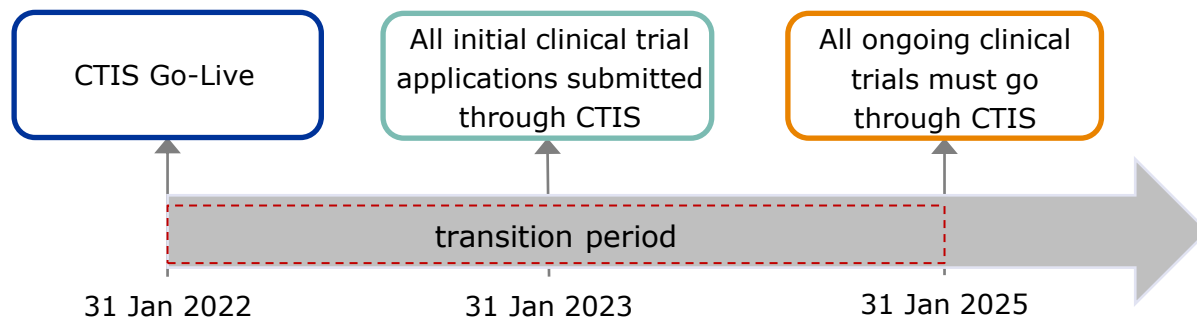


CTIS Benefits

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- Sponsors can apply for a CT in up to 30 EU/EEA countries with a **single application**
 - Facilitate involvement of trial participants by allowing **easy expansion of trials to other EU/EEA countries**
 - **Collaborate across borders** for better results and knowledge sharing
 - Ensure the EU/EEA remains an attractive location for **clinical research investment**
 - Fulfil all **clinical trial publication requirements** with no additional effort

After Go-Live Member States will use CTIS from the start while sponsors can make use of a transition period.

The volume of **publicly available data in CTIS will gradually start to accumulate**, increasing transparency & access to data.





CTR, CTIS & Oncology

- Many trials with patients with a cancer are multi-national, thus academic and commercial sponsors will benefit from CTR and CTIS
- Much simplified extension to additional Member States, relevant e.g. for longer-running investigator-initiated trials for cancer treatment optimisation (e.g. ESMO, EHA)
- CTIS can handle master protocols and complex trials (may need several EudraCT numbers; in the works: Q&As to facilitate complex trials)
- Trial adaptation(s) if authorised upfront can be implemented by sponsor on its own
- CTIS provides a repository of electronic Annual safety reports (ASRs)



Countdown:

- 111 Days to CTR becoming applicable and CTIS Go Live 31 January 2022

More information and supportive material:

- <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/human-regulatory/research-development/clinical-trials/clinical-trials-regulation>



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The **future users of CTIS** include:

Sponsors



Commercial: large pharmaceutical companies & CROs, SMEs



Academia

Will **input clinical trial data** in CTIS

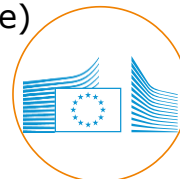
Authorities



Member States (NCA & ethics committee)



EMA



European Commission

Will **review clinical trial data** (MS/EMA) and create **Union Control Reports** (COM)

Public



Public users (Healthcare professionals, patients, other)

Will **search for publicly available clinical trial data** in CTIS