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# Regeneron EU CTR Insights

Submitting an Application for a CTA or Substantial Modifications — what do sponsors from outside the EU need to consider

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Regeneron's Implementation Strategy & Plan

## Regeneron High-Level Approach for EU CTR Implementation

Gap assessment

Solutions identification & prioritization mapping

Implementation of critical processes & guidelines

Execution of pilot studies (new & ongoing)

Partnering with CROs

Change management & training

Implementation of learnings from pilot

Full implementation Q1 2023



#### **Key Enabling Drivers**

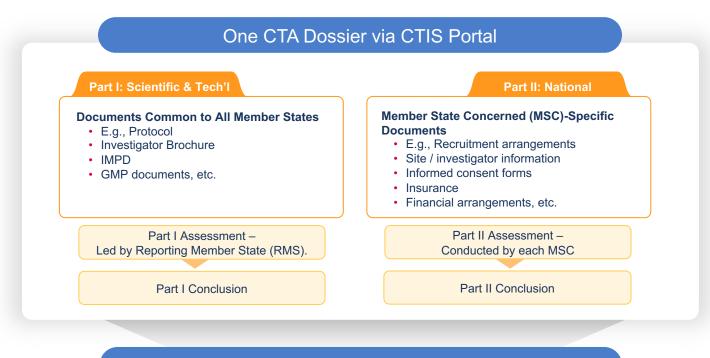
- Leadership engagement and support
- Continuous engagement of cross-functional teams Regulatory, Clinical Trial Management, Study Start-Up, Transparency, Safety, Study Templates, Vendor Management
- Continuous tracking of project charter, milestones and pilot program deliverables
- Change management, communications and training Including multiple company-level communications run in parallel, and internal EU CTR web page



Part I & Part II Submission Requirements Overview

### Clinical Trial Submission, Assessment & Authorization Process

EU CTR aims to streamline the Clinical Trial Application (CTA) process across the EU/EEA, reducing duplication and delays in the CTA submission and review process



Part I Requirements Overview

## Regeneron Global Development Infrastructure

Submitting an application for a CTA or Substantial Modifications and what do sponsors from outside the EU need to consider

### **REGENERON®**

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Tarrytown, NY, USA

Clinical Trial Sponsor

### **REGENERON®**

IRELAND

#### **Regeneron Ireland DAC**

EU Head Office, including EU Regulatory

- Legal Representative for CTAs
  - EU MAH for Libtayo

### **REGENERON**

UNITED KINGDOM

#### **Regeneron UK**

Home to some EU Regulatory staff

UK MAH for Libtayo

### Partners/Alliance

#### E.g., Sanofi

- Sponsor for some EU CTAs
- EU MAH for Dupixent



## Regeneron & EU CTAs

EU Clinical Trial Regulation facilitates direct submission of EU CTAs to EU/EEA Member States through CTIS by Regeneron

#### **EU Clinical Trial Directive**

- EU Regulatory team responsible for leading National Competent Authority (NCA) submissions/responses to requests, etc.
- Clinical team responsible for leading ethics submissions/responses to requests, etc.
- Mono-national studies could be submitted directly to NCA/ethics by Regeneron
- CROs used for multi-national studies.
  - Submissions to NCA and ethics
  - Compliance with any additional local requirements & translations
- EU Regulatory team submitted Voluntary Harmonisation Procedure CTAs for multinational trials in advance of EU CTR

#### **EU Clinical Trial Regulation**

- EU Regulatory team responsible for leading Part I submissions/responses to requests, etc.
- Study Start-up team responsible for leading/overseeing Part II submissions/responses to requests, etc.
- Mono-national and multi-national CTAs will be submitted directly to Member States via CTIS
- CROs used for Part II in multinational studies.

## **Preparing for Part I Documents Collection & Processing**



#### **Regeneron EU Regulatory Team**

- Prepares "Form", "MSC" and "Part I" sections in CTIS
  - Part I documents are gathered from functions across the organisation, e.g.
    - Protocol & Investigator's Brochure: Medical Writing
    - IMPD and GMP documents: Chemical, Manufacturing and Control Regulatory Sciences & RA CMC Liaisons
    - Label: Clinical Drug supply
- Proposes RMS
- Submits Part I or Part I + Part II



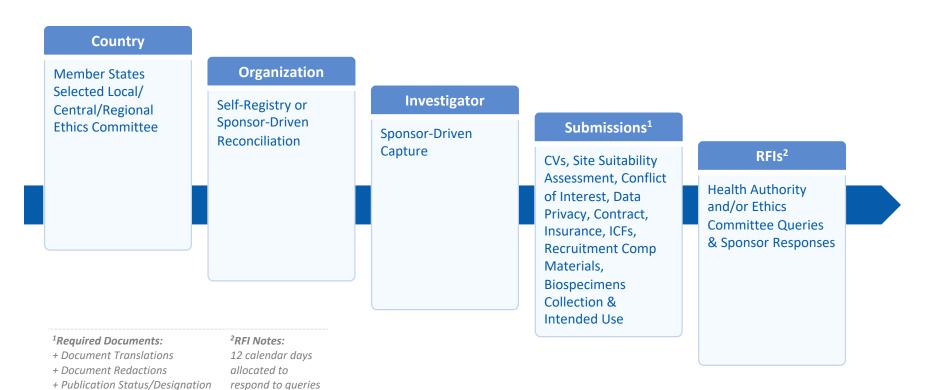
#### Notably, Regeneron used the VHP for most multinational trials

- Some additional requirements, e.g.
  - Protocol synopsis
  - SPOR and xEVMPD related data
    - Third party vendors
  - Data privacy statement (mandatory document in EU CTIS 'Form' section)
  - Translations, including application form (outlined Annex to EU CTR Q&A)
  - Redactions
  - Deferrals will be applied for (in addition to redaction)

Part II Requirements Overview

## **Preparing for Part II Documents Collection & Processing**

Member State Requirements



## Regeneron Study Start team responsibilities

Approval and Post-Approval

#### **Approvals**

- One decision notice per Member State (replaces previous separate approvals from Health Authority/Ethic Committee documentation)
- ISF/TMF document uploads

#### **Notifications**

- Country Level Events:
  - Start of study
  - Start of recruitment
  - Study/Enrollment Holds/Restarts
  - End of Study
- Site Level:
  - Adding Sites
  - Site Personnel Changes

#### **End of Study**

- End of Study Media
- Clinical Study Report distribution
- Patient Treatment Codes

Regeneron CTIS Readiness

## **CTIS Key Facts**



CTIS – Clinical Trial Information System

Portal Go-Live Date Jan 2022

Single entry point for clinical trial information in Europe

Increased safety and transparency

Exchange of information between sponsors and authorities will be fully electronic

Will offer fully searchable Clinical Trial Information

#### **Sponsor Workspace**



Enables sponsors to prepare and submit applications, trial events and other reporting during the life cycle of a trail

#### **Authority Workspace**

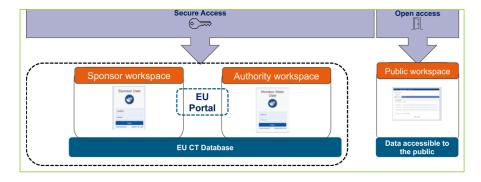


Supports the activities of Member States and the European Commission in assessing and overseeing Clinical Trials

#### **Public Portal**



All information that passes through CTIS will eventually be made available to the general public and this can be accessed from the public workspace



### **CTIS Master Trainer Initiative**





EMA wanted a streamlined top down training approach and therefore introduced the master training initiative



CTIS Master trainers are a core group of users who worked closely with the EMA



Only 1 Master trainer per organisation was permitted



Master trainers were the EMAs main point of contact for sharing updates, news and training material



The master trainers participated in instructor led training split across 3 session totally 32+ hours



Master trainers were responsible for cascading information and training material through their organisation and ensuring CTIS readiness

## Regeneron's Approach to Access Management



#### **Organisation Centric Approach**

A high level sponsor admin **validated** by the EMA is required.

Suits **medium/large** sized organisations.

**Top down** approach where users become **affiliated** to the organisation of the high-level sponsor admin.

Approach is **highly recommended** by the EMA.

To create an initial CTA, the CT Admin access needs to be **approved** by the high-level sponsor admin.

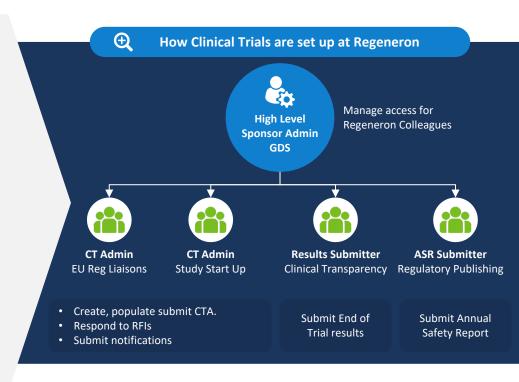


#### **Benefits of Organisation Centric Approach**

**Improves security** as CTAs can only be created once user access has been **approved** by the high-level sponsor Admin.

Prevents **duplication** of sponsor organization details

**Centralized management** of access and Roles especially when working with external parties



## Regeneron's CTIS Training Approach

CTIS Readiness Training for end users involved a combination of 4 methods

#### **EMA Self-learning Material**

End users were assigned curriculum in Regeneron's training portal depending on what role they have in CTIS. Training time ranged from 1-5 hours. All training must be completed before requesting a role in CTIS

#### **CTIS Procedural Documents**

Procedural documentation detailed all interactions within CTIS along with roles and responsibilities. End users will be assigned documents to read and acknowledge before obtaining access.



#### **CTIS Supporting Material**

Multiple "How To" videos were housed on our internal SharePoint allowing end users to view the videos in their own time. The videos covered a wide range of CTIS functionality.

#### **Sandbox Environment**

The CTIS Sandbox environment allowed end users to practice drafting CTAs and gaining confidence before using the live environment.

Key Learnings from EU CTR Submissions

## Regeneron Submission of CTAs under EU CTR



### Regeneron has submitted 2 CTAs under our EU CTR 'pilot' stage

#### One mono-national First in Human to Belgium

- In-house submission (No CRO)
- Monoclonal antibody
- Submitted 28 July 2022
- · Validated with no issues on 1 Aug
- Additional time for assessment requested by RMS
- Part I RFIs received 7 Sept (Day 37)

# One multi-national <u>transition</u> study to Germany (no other EU MSC)

- Phase 3
- Submitted 5 August 2022
- EU CTR Q&A guidance followed
  - No new documents prepared
  - · Only essential documents submitted
- Validation queries received
- Part I conclusion received 14 Sept (Day 23)

## **Key Learnings from CTA Submissions under EU CTR**

# 'Pilot' Program Implementation

- Implement pilot processes for submission planning & execution under EU CTR
- Gather list of documents required for Part I and Part II application dossiers
- Iron-out internal processes needed to operationalize submission process, e.g., translations, redactions

# New Requirements for EU CT Documents

- Revisions of Protocol, IB and ICF to address EU CTR requirements
- New Protocol Synopsis requirements
- New lay language requirements apply to Protocol Synopsis & Summary of Results
- Translation process for CTA documents, and application fields within CTIS Portal

### **Partnering Externally**

(e.g., CROs, collaborators)

- Engage early ensure appropriate CTIS roles & responsibilities agreed through RACI, process implementation
- Pilot few studies to get experience and pressure test processes/people/systems
- Vendors/CROs need to be registered in OMS

### CTIS – 6 Month Review



First submission in CTIS – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### What went well



- Creation of Clinical Trials streamlined approach using organization centric approach
- SMEs trained in advance
- Plenty of knowledge sharing amongst peers
- Access management organized ahead of time to include backups per trial
- Project management / publishing support
- Sandbox exposure

#### **Issues Faced**



- No auto-notifications, so routine monitoring is required to capture any alerts/notices, RFIs, etc.
- Document publishing rules first version uploaded is automatically published so ensure that it is redacted version
- Renaming documents when uploading into CTIS Version and date need to match document
- Technical issues faced on day of submission
- Ensure documents are under 10MB challenging for larger documents like IMPDs File shrinking, and document splitting is needed
- Products and Substances need updating in XEVMPD in advance, took two days to show up in CTIS
  even though updated in XEVMPD
- Helpdesk often slow in replying



