

# Pharmacovigilance Update Europe

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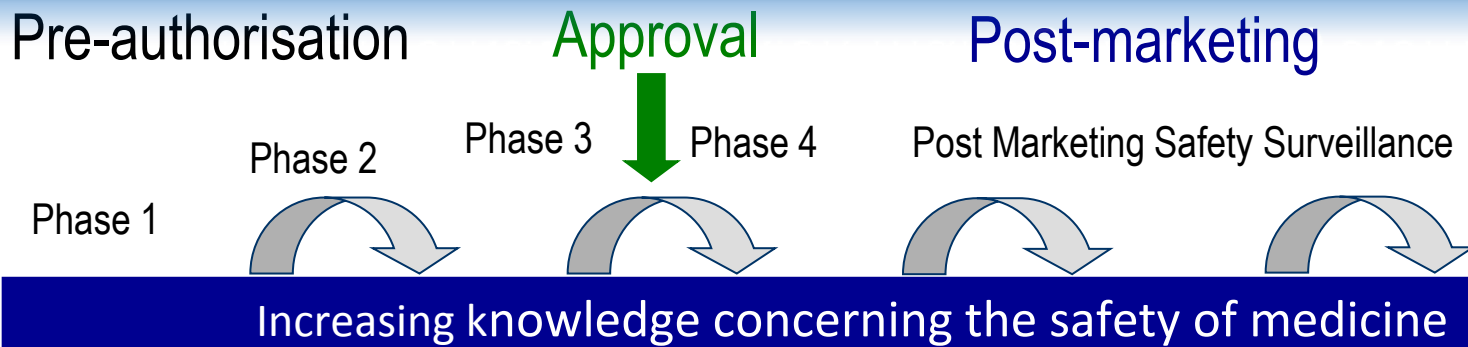
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Langen (Hessen)

- EU Risk Management Plan (RMP)
- Risk Minimisation Measures
- PASS (Post Authorisation Safety Studies)
- Medication Errors / Off Label Use
- Paediatric Pharmacovigilance

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## Implementation of Risk Management System



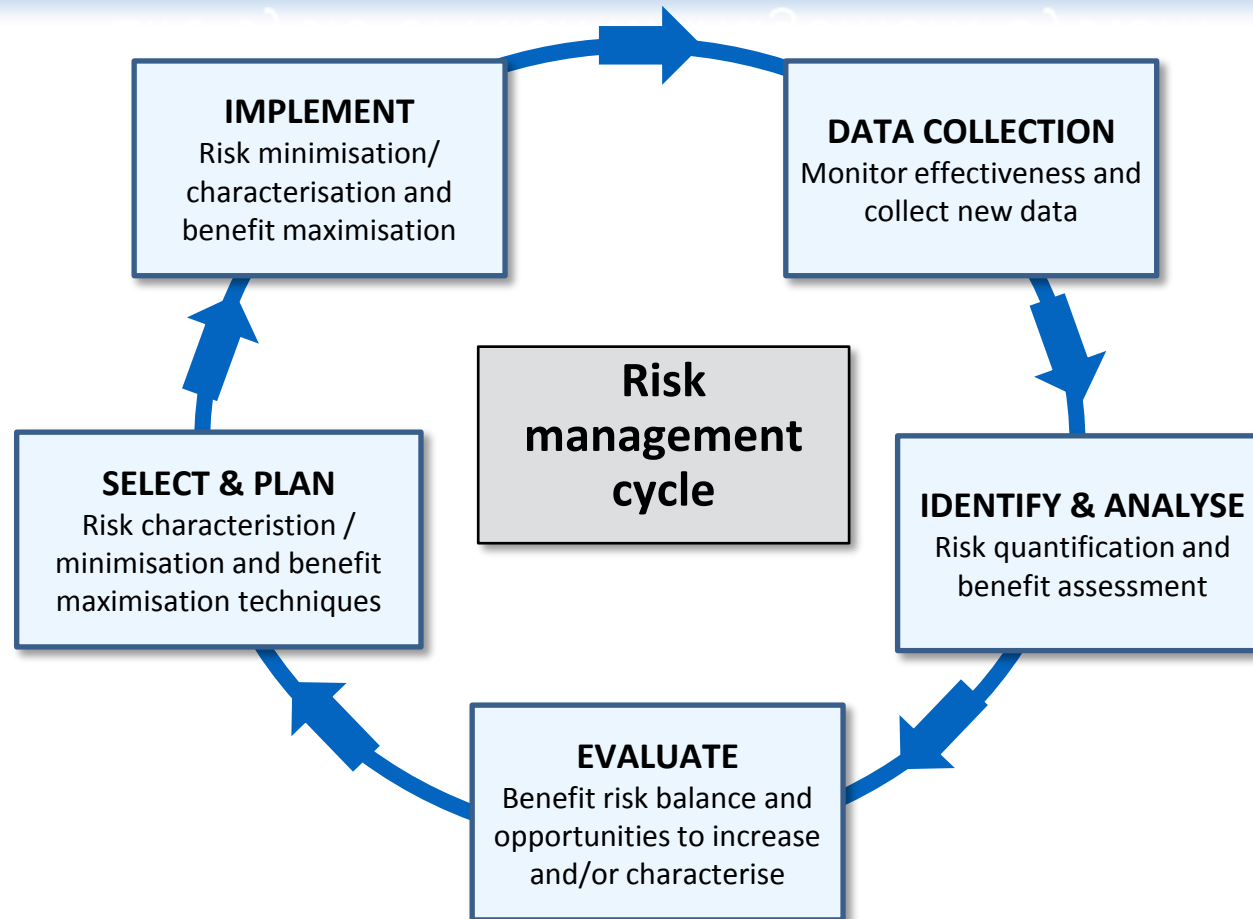
Risk Minimisation Planning

Concept of Risk Management

Risk Specification - Pharmacovigilance Planning

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## Life cycle of Risk Management System



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## Changes to Risk Management System

- NEW!** applicable for **all medicinal products** independent of authorisation status (centralised, decentralised, mutual recognition, national)
- NEW!** Focus on **Risk-benefit balance** and Risk Management
- NEW!** **Post-authorisation safety studies** and post-authorisation efficacy studies as a commitment for authorisation layed down in the RMP
- NEW!** **Signal detection** and intensified monitoring list as on going risk minimisation measure
- NEW!** Assessment by **PRAC** and recommendation to CHMP/CMDh
- NEW!** PRAC Rapporteur **is independent of** CHMP Rapporteur
- NEW!** RMP has to be a „**Stand alone**“ document including a summary which has to be published in lay language
- NEW!** **Modular structure of RMP** template to make changes easier to apply to the approved RMP

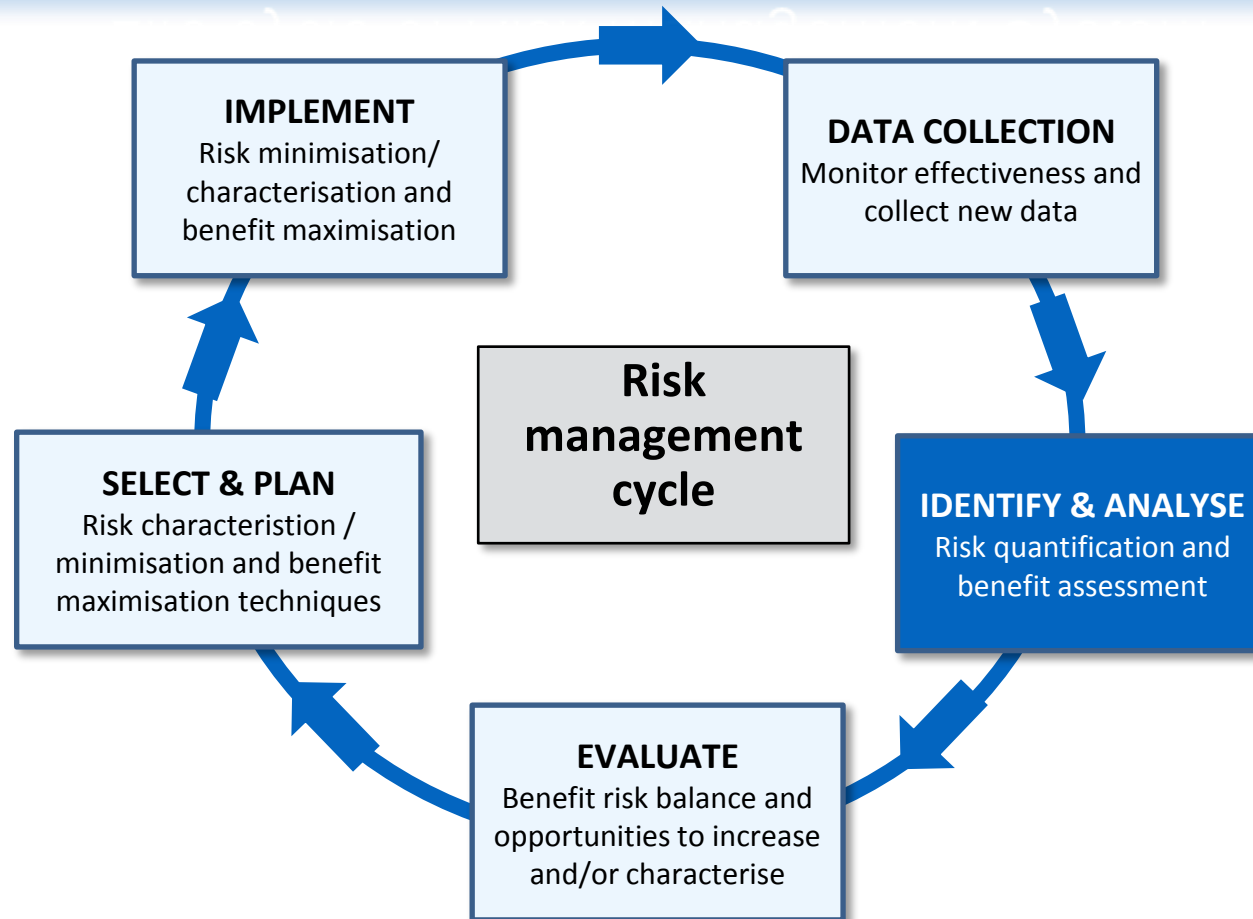
## Basic steps of Risk Management System

### Risk Management covers three basic steps

- 1. Safety profile characterisation of the medicinal product**
  - „Safety specification“
  - potential and identified risks
- 2. Pharmacovigilance Planning**
  - Characterisation of risks
  - Identification of new risks
  - Optimising information regards safety profile
- 3. Planning and implementation of Risk Minimisation**
  - routine or additional risk minimisation measures
  - Assessing effectiveness of implemented measures

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## Safety specification

### **Module SI: Epidemiology of the indication(s) and target population(s)**

- Discussion of Epidemiology of the Indication
- Aspects of benefit and position of medicinal product: Prophylaxis, Protection, treatment of disease

**Module SII: Non-clinical part of the Safety Specification**

**Module SIII: Clinical trial exposure**

**Module SIV: Populations not studied in clinical trials**

**Module SV: Post-authorisation Experience**

**Module SVI: Additional EU requirements for the Safety Specification**

**Module SVII: Identified and potential risks**

**Module SVIII: Summary of the safety concerns**

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**Module SII: Non-clinical part of the Safety Specification**

- Summary of important non-clinical safety findings, z.B. Toxicity, Pharmacology, Interaction, ...

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- Information from clinical trials: Number of subjects treated with medicinal product, patient-year of exposure, duration of treatment
- Specific information (age, sex, Indication, ethnic group)
- In/- exclusion criteria in clinical trials („Population not studied“)

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- Target group and safety database
- Evidence of data collected in relation to the detection of ADRs
  - number of subjects studied, patient-year-exposure
- Discussion of data from special population, z.B. Children, elderly, pregnant woman, multi morbidity, ...

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- Regulatory and MAH action for safety reasons
- Indicated use vs. actual use (Off-label use, ...)
- Reports form use in pharmaco-epidemiological Studies

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- Risk by overdosing, Misuse (z.B. Doping), „Medication Error“, special aspects for paediatrics (PIP, Off-Label-Use)
- Potential for transmission of infection

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**Module SVII: Identified and potential risks**

- Information on identified and potential Risks
- identified and potential Interaction (food-drug, drug-drug)
- Pharmacological class effect
- New safety-aspect since latest approved RMP

Module SVIII: Summary of the safety concerns

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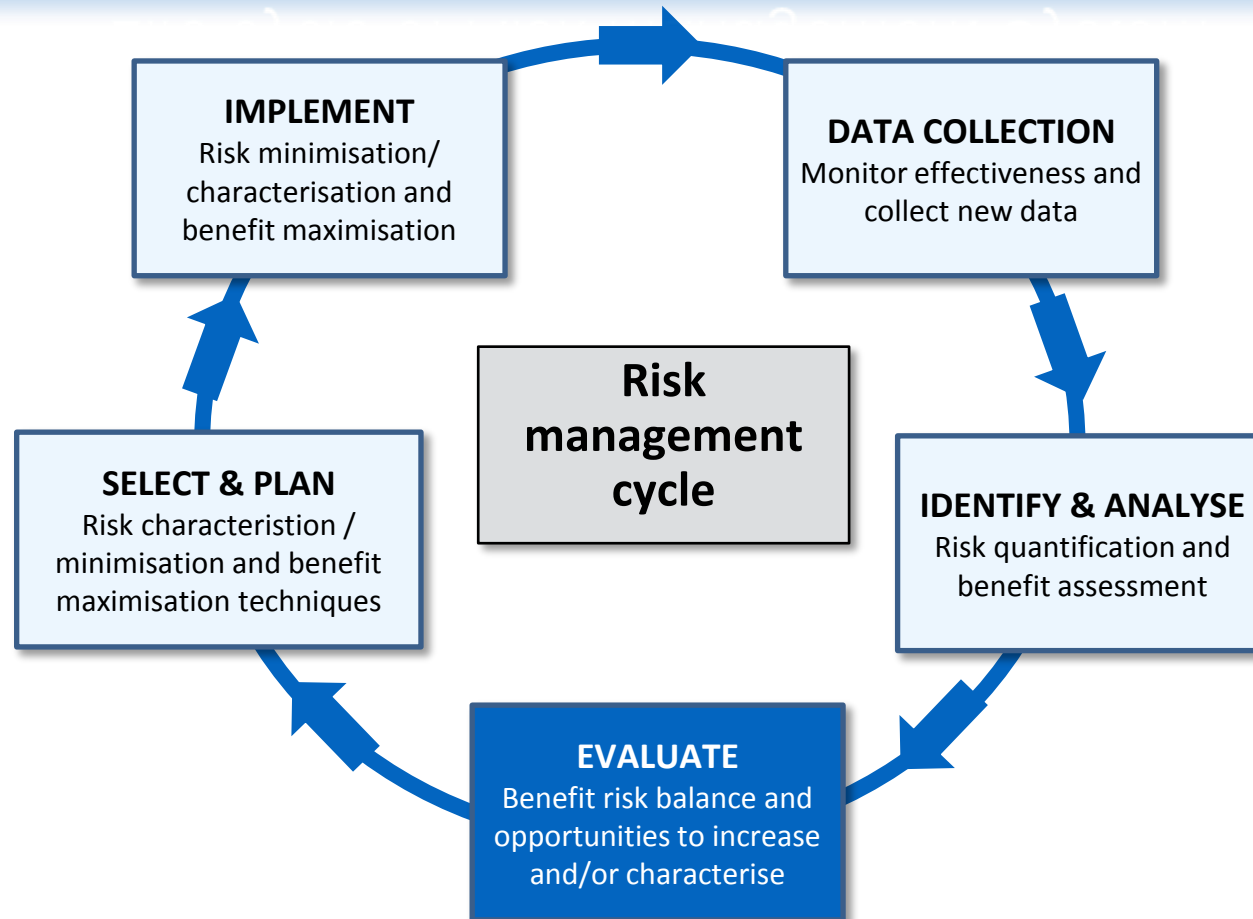
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**Module SVIII: Summary of the safety concerns**

- Continuous up-date and summary of discussed safety aspects
- Use of tabulation presentation of safety aspects

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## Periodic Safety Update Report (PSUR)

- „Stand alone“-Document, but has common modules with RMP
- Actualisation of RMP with reference in on-going PSUR if:
  - Significant changes of current authorisation (Indication/ Renewal)
  - On request of competent authorities in relation to new risks
  - Actualising single parts/ modules if possible and not otherwise expected
    - New authorisation (in case of generics)
    - Hybrid-medicinal products or Hybridapplication of medicinal products
    - New Indication, new population
- Summary and conclusion in PSUR and RMP should be harmonised
- Defined (suspected) adverse reactions of interest should be discussed in the PSUR
- Link important identified/ potential risks which have been described in the „Safety specification“ in the RMP



## Adverse reaction (ADR) collecting and reporting

### **Definition**

ADR is a response to a medicinal product which is noxious and unintended independent from the marketing authorisation indication

- including overdose, misuse, abuse and medication errors
- off-label use

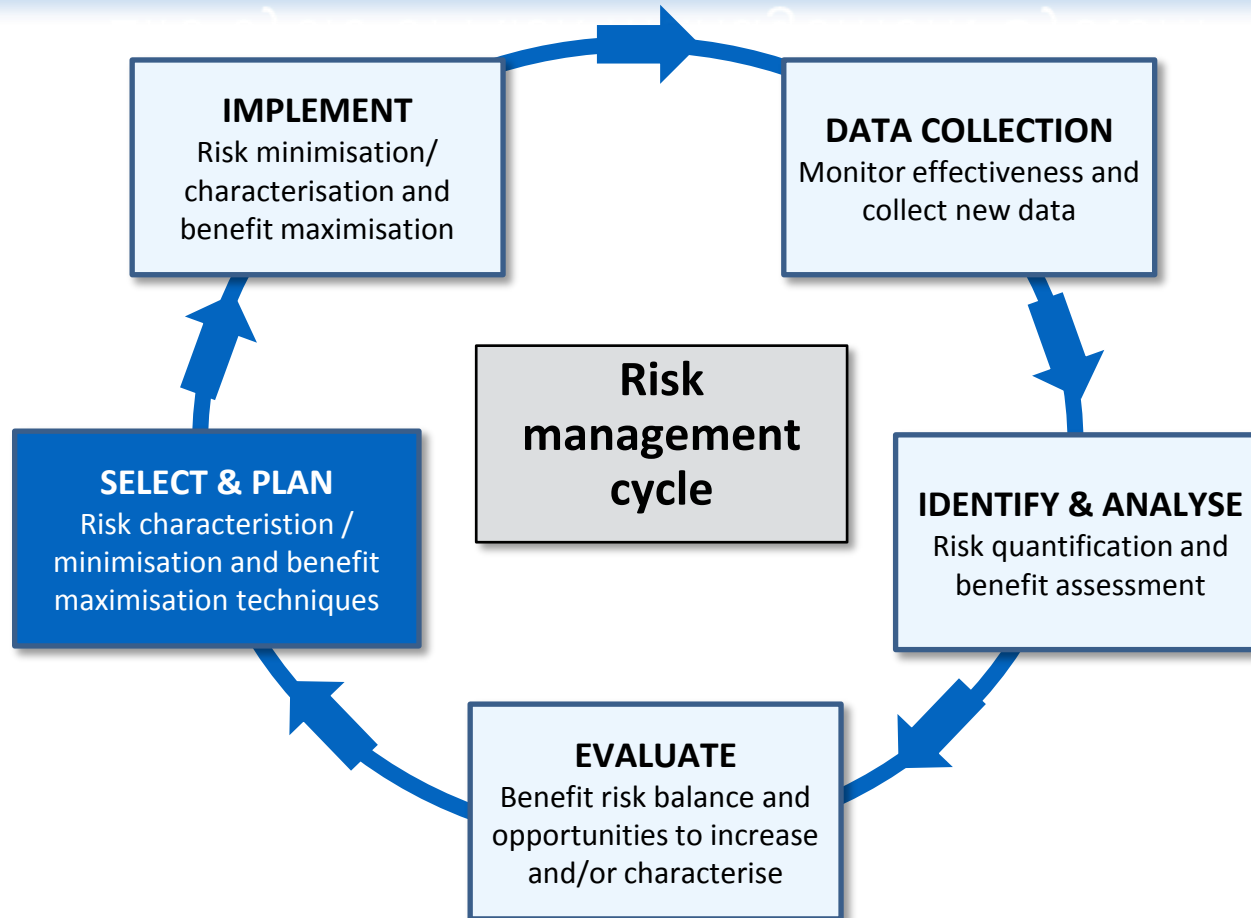
### **Primary reporting source**

- Health care professionals, Pharmacists, nurses, intoxications centers....
- Non-medically qualified persons like consumers, lawyers...
- MAH should regularly screen internet or digital media under their responsibility

**Reporting of non-serious ADRs within 90 days to NCA/ Eudravigilnce**

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## Pharmacovigilance planning

### **Structured plan to cover**

- Identification of new risks and characterisation of risk factors
- Further Investigation of identified potential risks including the planned approach how to collect these information

### **Routine pharmacovigilance (safety) activities**

- description of Pharmacovigilance System Master File
- references to PSMF, SmPC, spontaneous reporting

### **Additional pharmacovigilance (safety) activities**

- Discussion of necessity for further action and measures
- Requirements set by PRAC, CHMP, CMDh
- Description of planned actions/ measures for each safety concern
- like Post-authorisation safety/ efficacy studies (PASS/ PAES)

## Post Marketing Safety Studies (PASS)

### **Investigation with the authorised medicinal product**

- identifying, characterising or quantifying a safety hazard
- confirming the safety profile of the medicinal product
- measuring the effectiveness of risk management measures
- PASS could be clinical trials or non-interventional studies
- Initiation voluntarily by MAH or imposed as an obligation by NCA/  
PRAC

The type of study design is not constraining a PASS, e.g. a systematic literature review or a meta-analysis may be considered as PASS depending on their aim.

## Non-interventionell (PASS)

Non-interventional studies are defined by the methodological approach used and not by its scientific objectives.

### **Requirements to be fulfilled cumulatively**

- the medicinal product is prescribed in the usual manner according to the marketing authorisation
- the assignment of the patient to a particular therapeutic strategy is not decided in advance by a trial protocol but falls within current practice and the prescription of the medicine is clearly separated from the decision to include the patient in the study; and
- no additional diagnostic or monitoring procedures are applied to the patients and epidemiological methods are used for the analysis of collected data.

## Post Marketing Safety Studies (PASS)

### **Assessment by PRAC or NCA depending on authorisation status**

- Submission of study report 12 months after the end of data collection

### **Potential grounds for conducting a PASS (PAES)**

- Enhancing safety data base due to small populations in clinical trials
- Support of Benefit/ Risk balance
- Evaluation of safety in populations not studied
- Supportive data to evaluate potential risks
- Investigation of potential long-term effects
- Effectiveness studies (vaccines)
- Missing robust evidence of efficacy to be investigated post-marketing

## Post Marketing Safety Studies (PASS)

### Potential designs for PASS

#### Active surveillance

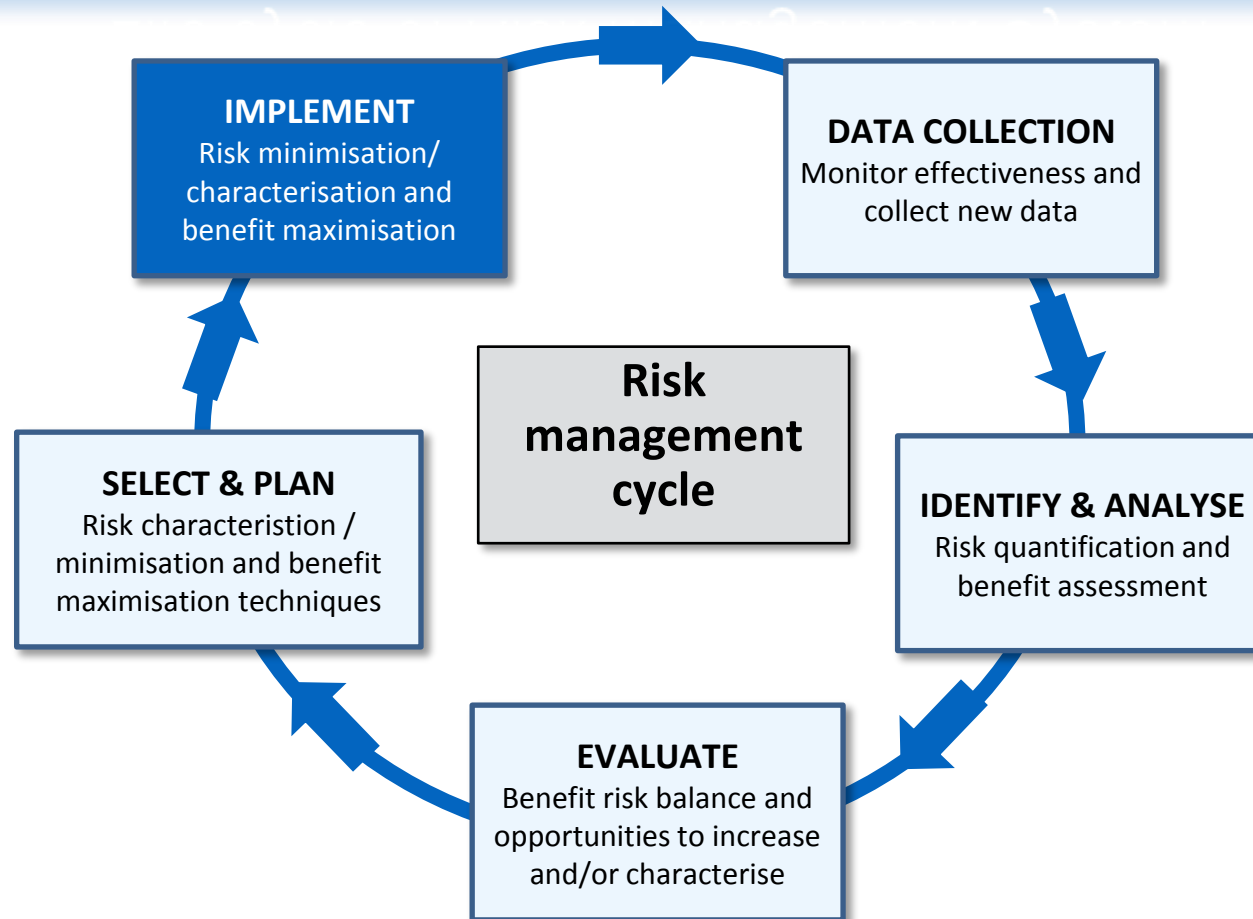
- Intensive monitoring schemes
- Prescription event monitoring
- Registries

#### Observational studies

- Cross-sectional study (survey)
- Cohort Study
- Case-control-studies
- self-controlled case-series
- case-crossover study

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## Risk Minimisation measures

- Aim to facilitate informed decision making to support risk minimisation
- Routine measures are applied to every medicinal product
- Additional activities to be introduced to support the safe and effective use of medicinal products
- Minimising the risk of medication error
- Ensuring appropriate administration where it is not feasible to achieve this through the product information and labelling alone
- Measuring the effectiveness of risk minimisation measures
- Burden of risk minimisation to be balanced against the benefit
- **Safe and effective use of the medicinal product in all population**

## Routine Risk Minimisation

### **Safety concerns**

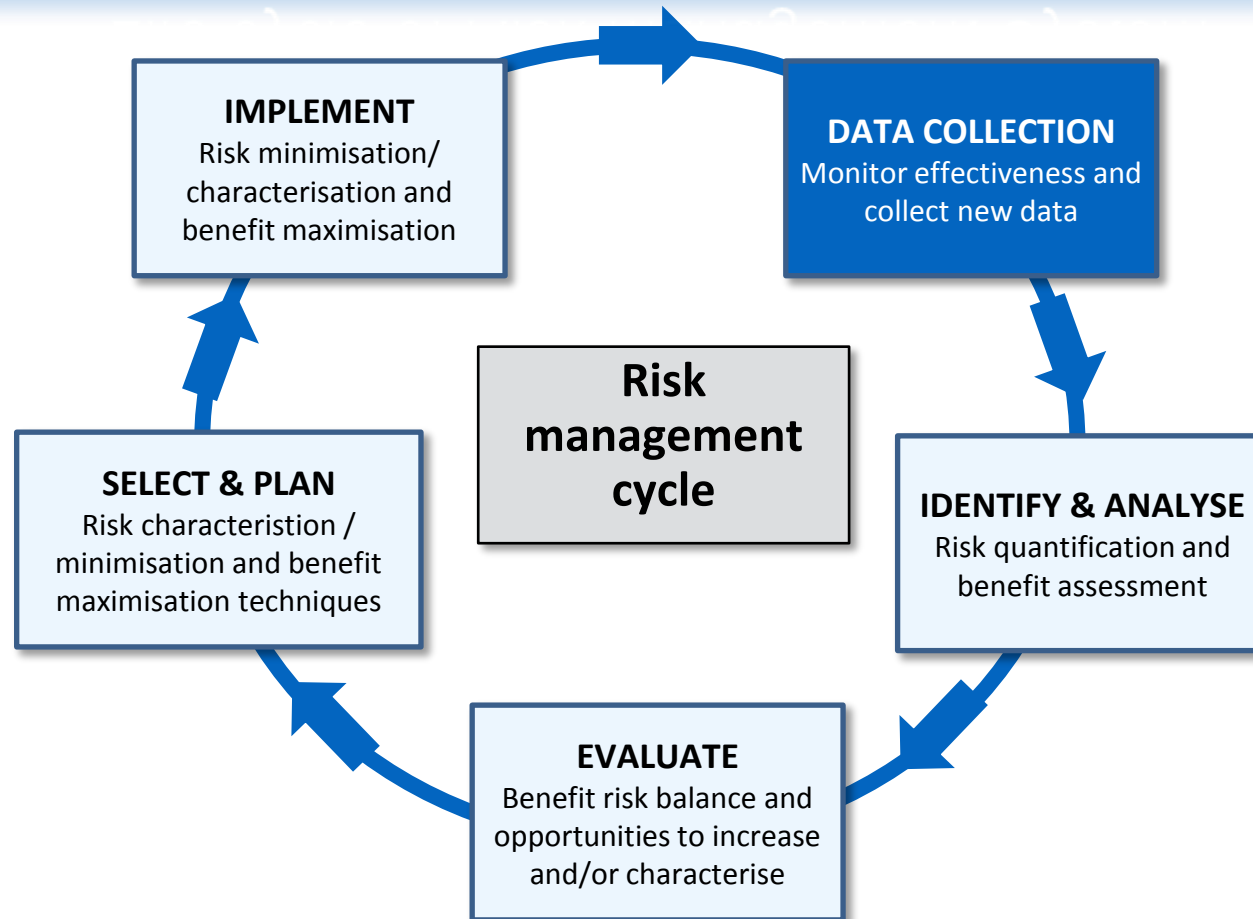
- Identified Risks
- Potential Risks
- Population not studied (off-label-use)

### **Tools**

- SmPC (indication, warning, adverse effects)
- Age appropriate formulation and excipients
- Patient information/ educational programme
- Patient alert card
- Controlled distribution/ access programme

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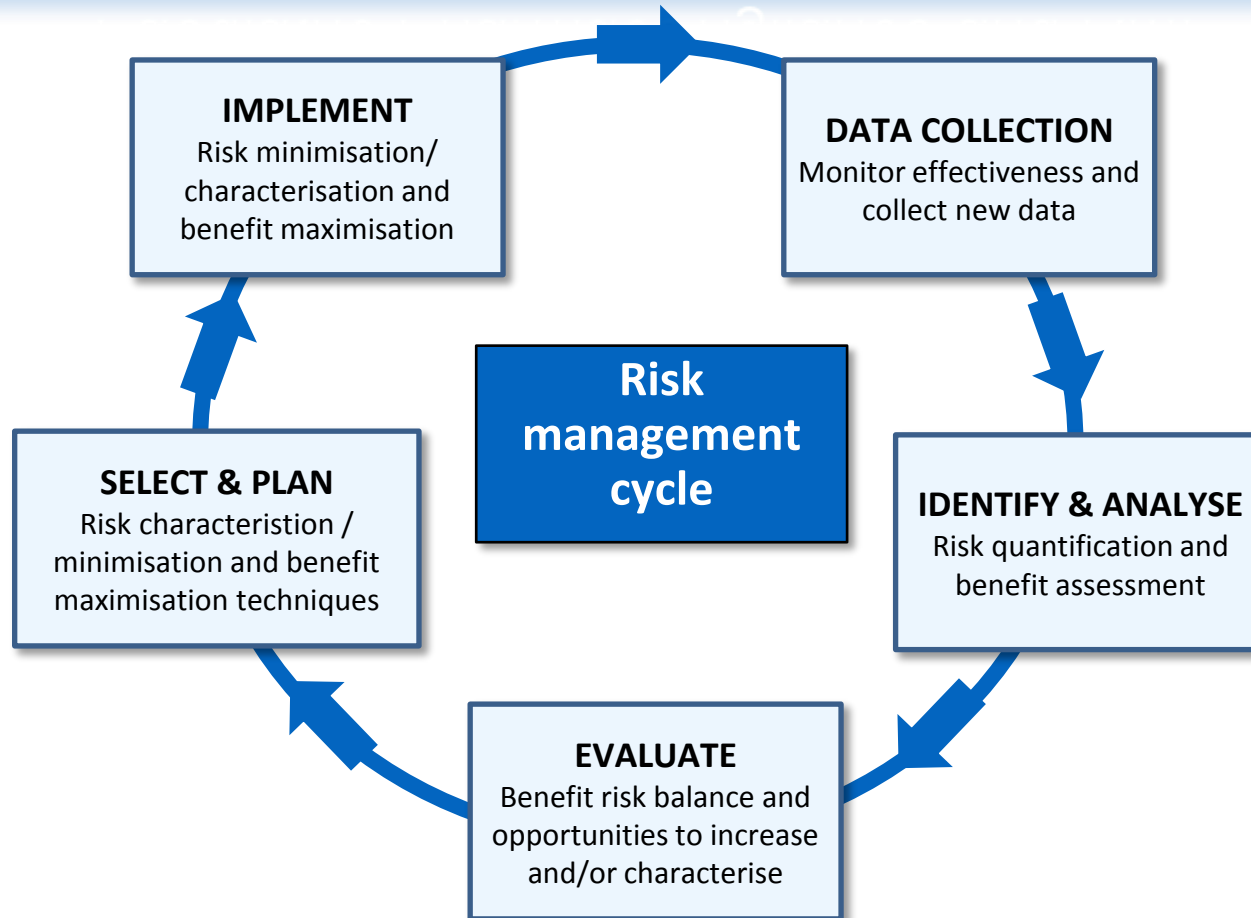


## Effectiveness of risk minimisation measures

- Establishing whether an intervention has been effective
- Evaluation whether further corrective actions are necessary
- Performing this for the additional risk minimisation tools individually and as a whole
- Timing should be appropriate accounting the time to launch the measures
- Timing should reflect the circumstances related to healthcare systems to introduce the measures
- Evaluating the impact on knowledge and behavioral changes in the target population
- Process and outcome indicators should be considered for evaluation of effectiveness

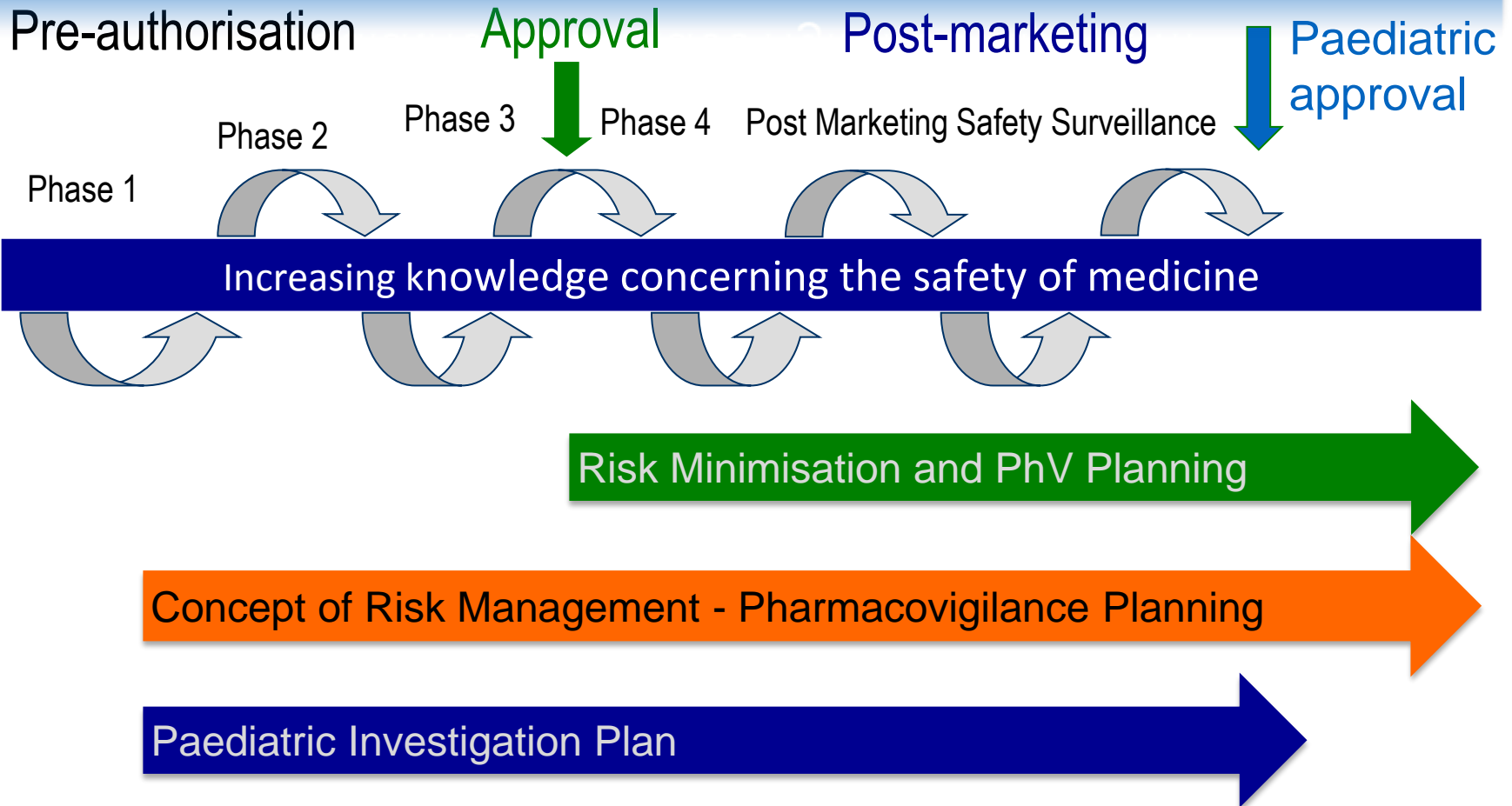
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### RMP Tool box

- Safety specification
- registries
- PASS
- PAES
- medication error
- ADR reporting
- Signal detection

### “PIP” Tool box

- pre-clinical trials
- Waiver
- Long-term follow-up
- efficacy trials
- Formulation
- Dosing
- PK/ PD trials

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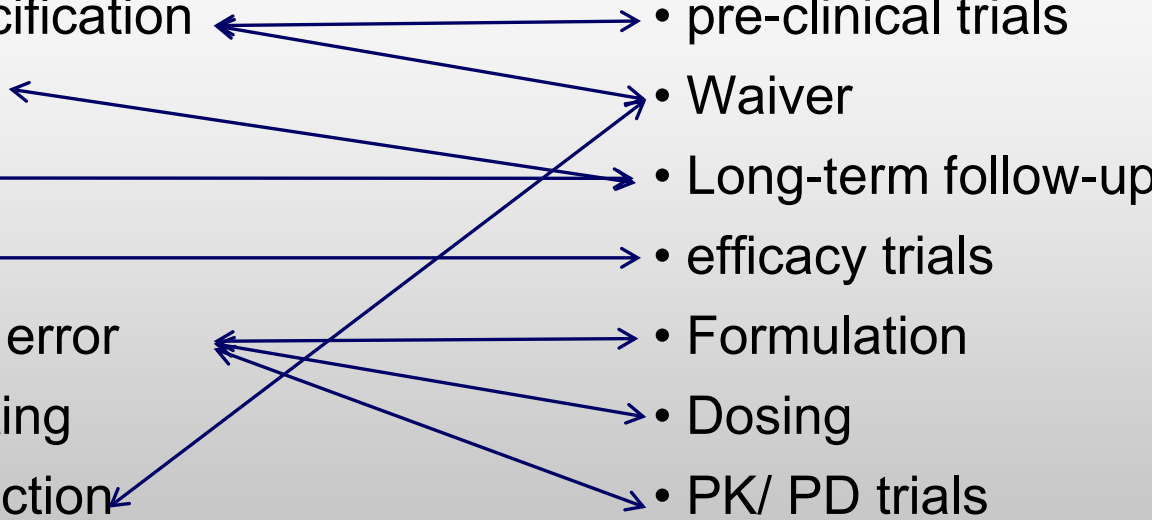
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## Paediatric Pharmacovigilance and RMP

### **Justification for waiver based on:**

- Lack of significant therapeutic benefit over existing treatments
- Condition occurring only in adult populations
- Lack of efficacy in relation to likelihood of harm

### **Justification for deferrals:**

- Scientific/ technical grounds or grounds related to public health
- delay of paediatric studies due to safety concerns in adult trials
- Request for additional non-clinical data (toxicology, carcinogenicity)
- Issues with development age appropriate formulation(s)
- Recruitment into paediatric trials will cause major delays of MAA in adults

## Summary of Risk management Plan

- RMP summary according to template in lay language
- Overview of disease and its epidemiology
- Treatment options and reference of standard of care
- Conclusion on benefit / efficacy and on risks
- Summary of risk minimisation activities and related measures pre risk identified
- Planned PASS /PAES including activities related to commitment to authorisation
- Overview of changes in the RMP in chronological order

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Thanks for your attention

Any Questions?