

## ICMRA Session 1 – Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

Tuesday November 14, 2023, 09:00h -10:40h

Co-chairs: TGA (Prof Robyn Langham) and EMA (Ms Emer Cooke)

**Theme:** What are the challenges in developing regulatory best-practice when incorporating artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) in the regulation of medicines?

Time*	Presentation topics	Speaker
09:00 – 09:05	Opening Remarks Setting the scene – introducing the topic	Co-chair Prof Robyn Langham (TGA)
09:05 – 09:25	Transforming data into knowledge: Mining the global kidney disease knowledge network for molecular targeted therapy development.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Drug development – what’s in the pipeline and what is already going live</li> <li>- What are the regulatory challenges from a non-regulator perspective?</li> <li>- Interdisciplinary data integration of large-scale data sets which enable precision medicine – NIH tools</li> <li>- Use of AI and ML in new disease predictors, new drug development and successful clinical trials of novel therapeutic modalities in chronic kidney disease</li> <li>- How can we share data – global challenges</li> </ul>	Prof Matthias Kretzler (Uni of Michigan) Head of computational medicine and bioinformatics
09:25 – 09:35	AI for effective medicines regulation – opportunities and challenges from an European perspective  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How to build AI competence and capacity</li> <li>- How do we regulate use of AI in the medicinal product lifecycle?</li> <li>- How to develop, deploy and share AI/ML systems</li> <li>- How to use AI at an agency level for effecting medicines regulation</li> </ul>	Gabriel Westman (SMPA) Head of Artificial Intelligence at the Swedish Medical Products Agency

<p><b>09:35 – 09:45</b></p>	<p>‘Large Language Models (LLMs) Taskforce: An initiative to promote shared best practices and strengthen interagency collaboration’</p> <p>The LLM Taskforce established in June 2023, focuses on the transformative power of LLM models in different areas of regulatory sciences. It comprises representatives from multiple agencies, including Swissmedic and the FDA. It aims to understand the potential hazards and risks and develop best practices and is therefore overarching the individual agency areas such as clinical drug development or pharmacovigilance.</p>	<p>Dr Joerg Schlapfer – (Swissmedic)          Head Chief of staff and Head of external relations</p>
<p><b>09:45 – 09:55</b></p>	<p>AI and ML landscape – Highlight themes of what FDA is seeing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Share results of a study looking at different uses of AI across incoming applications</li> <li>- How do we adapt our policies to support and encourage new innovation?</li> </ul> <p>Engagement with researchers and academics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How COVID was a catalyst – pushed us to look at innovation and we need to capitalise on this moving forward</li> <li>- Share themes Discussion paper – what were the themes from the response</li> </ul>	<p>Dr Khair ElZarrad (FDA)</p> <p>Director of the Office of Medical Policy (OMP) in FDA’s Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)</p>
<p><b>09:55 – 10:05</b></p>	<p>Use of AI for supply chain/shortages purposes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BfArM had supply chain database since 2013</li> <li>- Currently building a new system incorporating AI to combine big data – from manufacturers and manufacturing sites to new active substances and finished products in order to develop an early warning system so more time for mitigation – share tools, challenges for BfArM, lessons /benefits for other regulators etc</li> </ul>	<p>Dr Karl Broich (BfArM)</p> <p>Head and President of the BfArM (Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical. Devices, Germany)</p>
<p><b>10:05 – 10:35</b></p>	<p>Panel Discussion – Open Q&amp;A for speakers</p>	<p>ALL</p>

<b>10:35 – 10:40</b>	Closing remarks Session outcome - where to from here in a global collaborative sense? What does this mean for regulators? For ICMRA? ICMRA AI WG – things have moved on since report? What do we need? Best way of helping each other at a national and regional level, sharing international approaches and getting alliance	Co-chair - Ms Emer Cooke (EMA)
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