

#### Current Landscape of Clinical Research in India

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#### **Presentation Agenda**

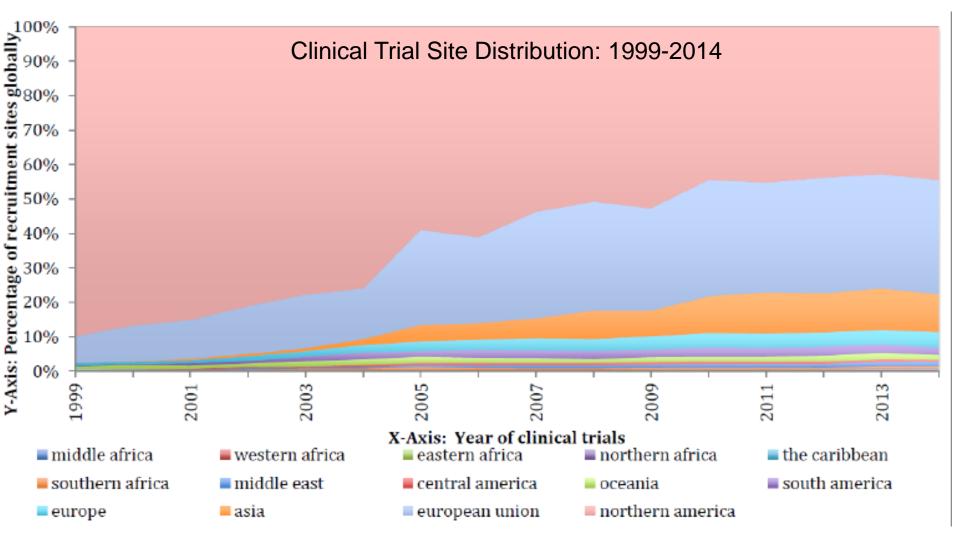
- India's position in the global clinical research map
- Evolution of Indian Clinical research environment
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- Future for Indian Clinical Research
- Continuing to work together



# India's position in global clinical research



#### Increased # trial sites in Developing countries



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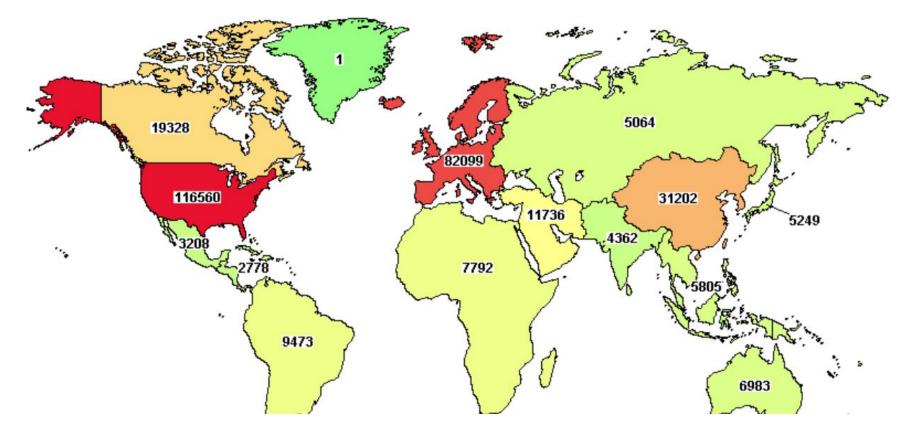


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## Evolution of clinical research in India

#### **Indian Clinical Research**

#### we've come a long way



#### In 2013-2014...



#### Clinical trial evolution in last few years....

#### 2013-2014

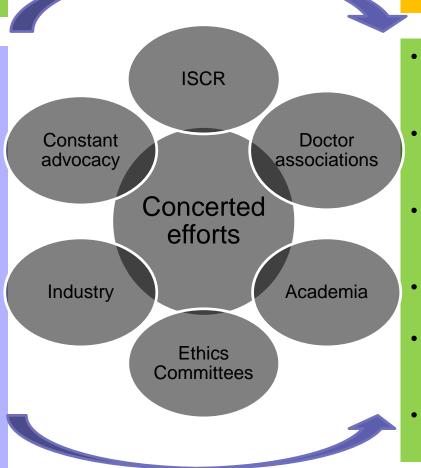
2015 onwards

Balanced, Predictable, Stable Environment

#### Complex, Uncertain, Ambiguous environment

Then

- Public Interest Litigation
- Rules on medical management and compensation for adverse events
- Ethics Committee (EC) registration
- Audio-Visual recording of informed consent process
- 3 trials per investigator
- Decreased number of clinical trials
- Low motivation for Investigators and site teams
- Impact on academic trials



 Balanced medical management and compensation rule

Now

- Rule amended for
  Audio-Visual
  recording of consent
- Significant improvement in the approval timelines
- EC to decide # of trials per investigator
- Investigator, Site and EC accreditation proposed
- Ease of conducting academic trials



### About ISCR



#### Indian Society for Clinical Research (ISCR)

#### Launched in June 2005

 A professional association of all stakeholder groups involved in Clinical Research

## Registered society

Members

- With a charter to represent interests of the Clinical Research community
- 36 AMOs
  - Multinational and Indian Pharma and CROs
  - Academia and Hospitals
- 520 Individual Life Members
  - Doctors, Site staff, Ethics Committee members, clinical research professionals

#### Councils and Chapters

- 7 councils covering different aspects of clinical research
- 3 regional chapters



#### **ISCR** Vision

• Promote a compelling scientific disposition and widespread awareness of clinical research for the advancement of healthcare

#### **ISCR** Mission

 Inspire and align diverse stakeholders to shape and foster an environment facilitating ethical and responsible clinical research for better patient outcomes



#### Some of ISCR's significant achievements...

Helped build a strong foundation for clinical research

- Capacity building for various organizations, hospitals and ethics committees
- Conferences / Training / workshops by the councils and chapters

Instrumental in shaping the clinical research environment

- · As an impleader for the PIL filed in Supreme Court of India
  - provided factual data that was quoted by regulators
- Worked with the regulators for making things easier for e.g., amendments to
  - Rule 122DAB to make the regulations more balanced
  - Rule of NMT 3 trials per investigators
  - Requirements for A-V recording of informed consent process
- Simplification of the regulatory review and approval processes leading to a significant reduction in the timelines

Became an important, value adding partner to all stakeholders

- Providing inputs to government policies and regulations
- Support for Ethics Committee registration and accreditation



## The future for Indian Clinical Research



#### Significant tailwinds now...



 Balanced regulatory environment

- Strong thrust from Govt and Regulators to promote innovation in India through clinical trials
- New Clinical Trial Regulations to be introduced soon...
  - simplify processes
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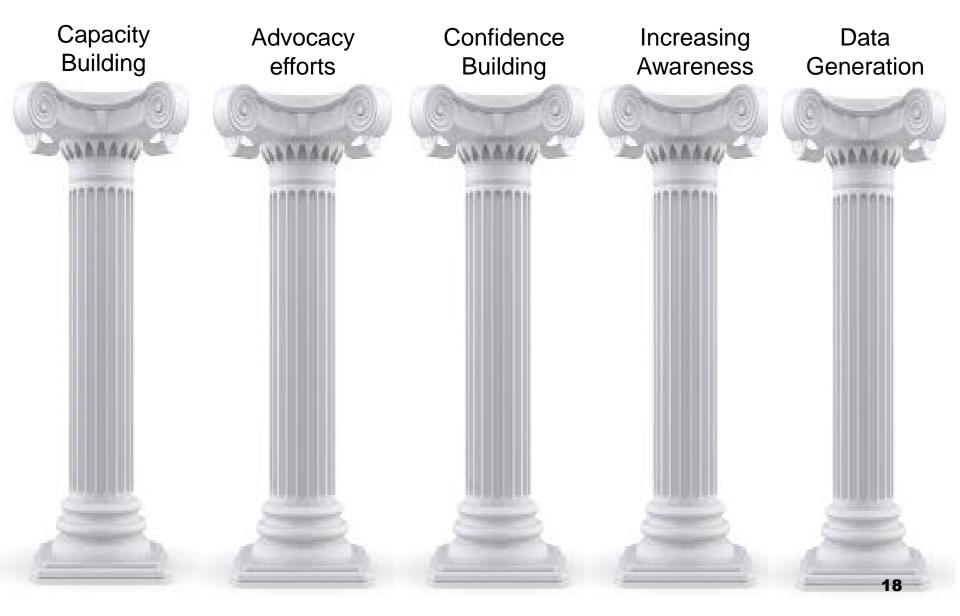
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## ISCR's roadmap



#### **Our Pillars**

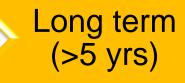


#### ISCR Plans...



Short term (1-2 yrs)

#### Mid-term (3-5 yrs)



- Confidence building measures
- Advocacy efforts
- Increasing Patient Awareness
- Increasing outreach
- White papers / publications
- Awareness / training programs

- Expanding from Clinical Trials to Clinical Research
- Increasing working with academic institutes
- Increased Capacity building
- Working with Physician and Industry associations
- Indian Physicians / scientists to be a part of global committees

- Increasing the digital adoption quotient
- India leading global drug development

#### Our strong partnership for fighting the unmet medical needs

## Investigators

## ISCR



#### Continue working together (1)

#### Joint advocacy efforts

- Key stakeholders, for e.g.,
  - MoH, Regulators, NITI Aayog, Associations, Academic Institutes, Ethics Committees, PAGs, etc.

#### Environment shaping activities

- Inputs to Regulatory policies and framework
- Increasing awareness
  - Doctors, Patients, Media
- Capacity building
  - Hospitals, Doctors, Trained Professionals
  - Infrastructure



#### Continue working together (2)

## For our common pursuit to fight the unmet medical needs...

- What are your expectations from ISCR?
- What more should we do to continue working together?



## ISCR's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

#### 13-16 Feb 2019 Delhi



#### Announcement: 12<sup>th</sup> Annual ISCR Conference 2019, Delhi

#### <u>13-16 February 2019</u>

- Venue: Hotel Eros, Delhi
- 5 Pre-conference Workshops
- 2 Track Main Conference (15-16 Feb)
- 1 Workshop at Medanta Hospital, Gurgaon
- Registrations are open, please visit
  www.iscr.org for details



 On behalf of Local Organizing Committee and the Scientific Committee, I welcome you all to participate



#### For any queries: info@iscr.org

## **THANK YOU**

#### OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES FOR DRUG AND VACCINE DISCOVERY IN INDIA

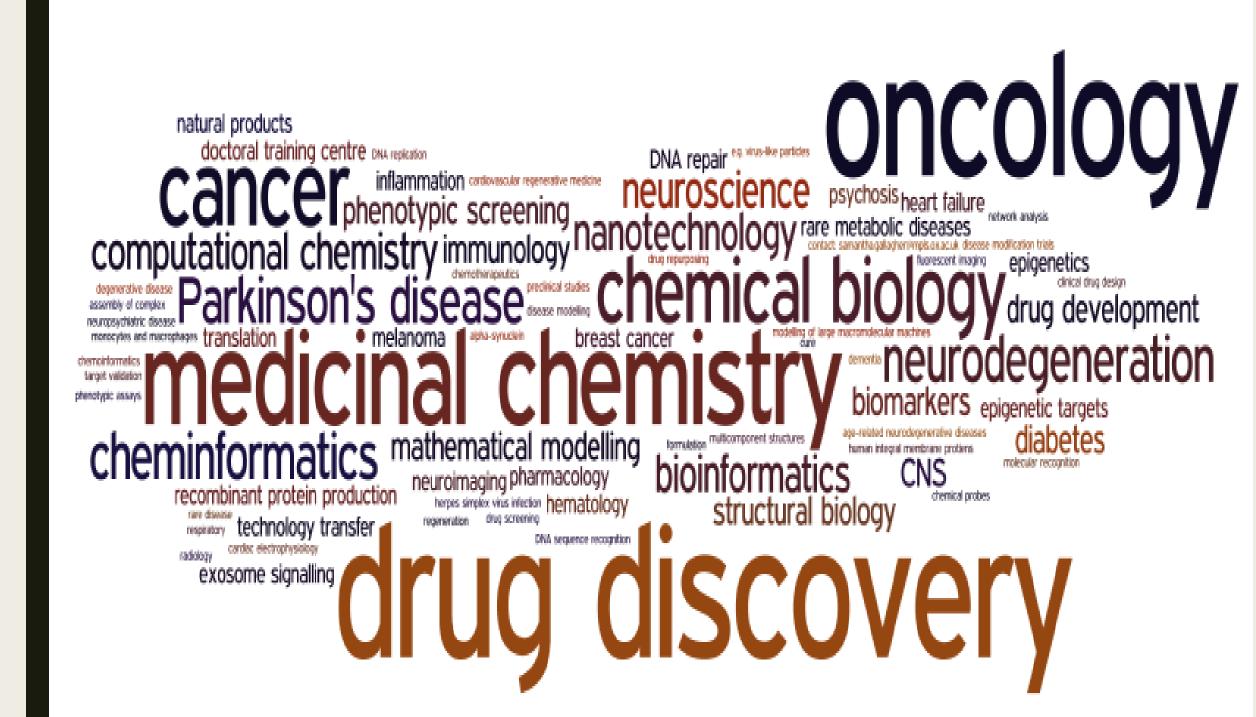
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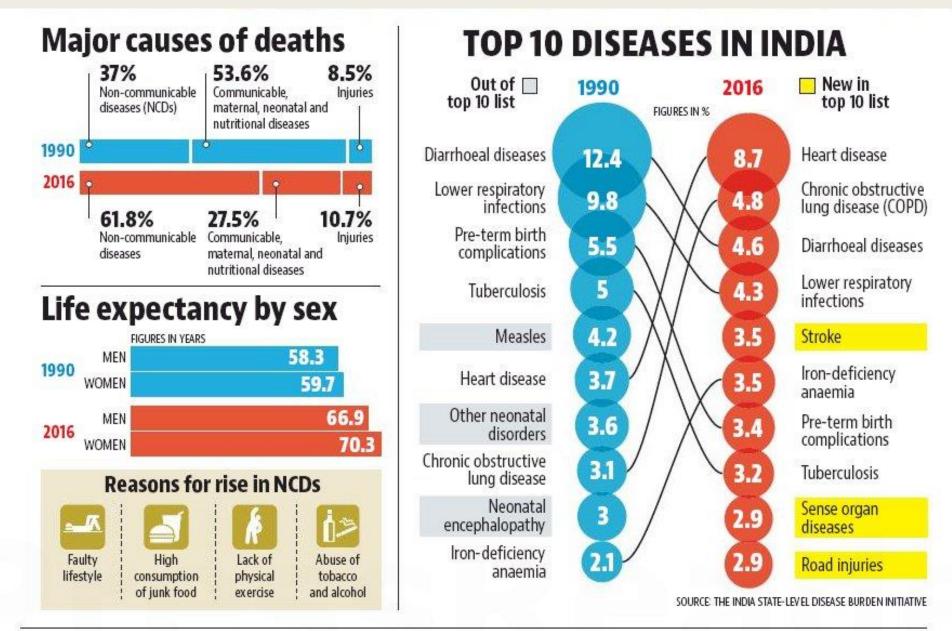
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#### Outline

- Importance of Drug discovery
- India's disease burden
- Current clinical research landscape in India
- Way forward
- Developing vaccines
- Large sample size



#### Large unmet medical need for our patients

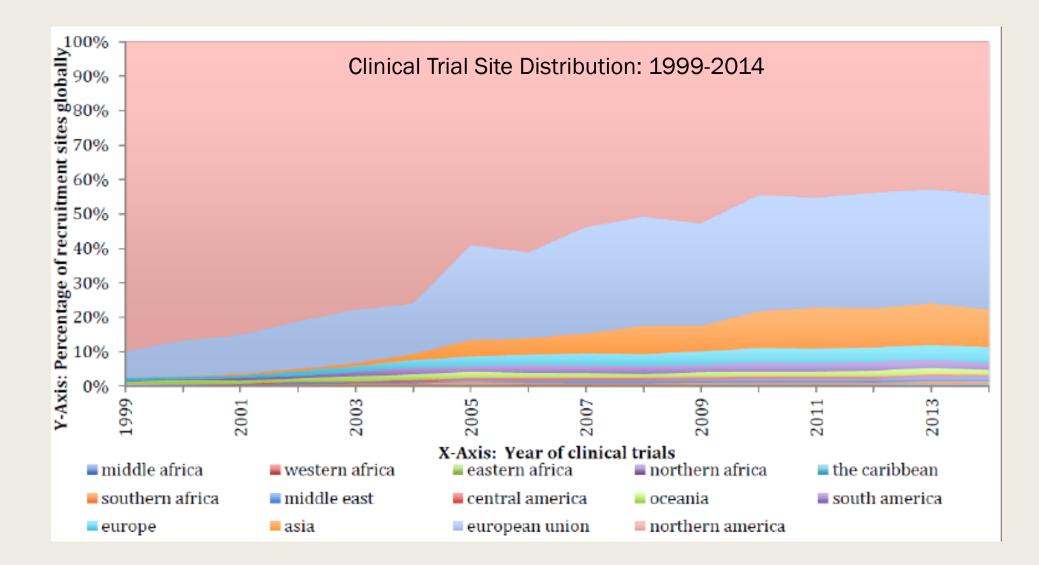


## Welcome

to India for Global Clinical Research

Hope & Hype

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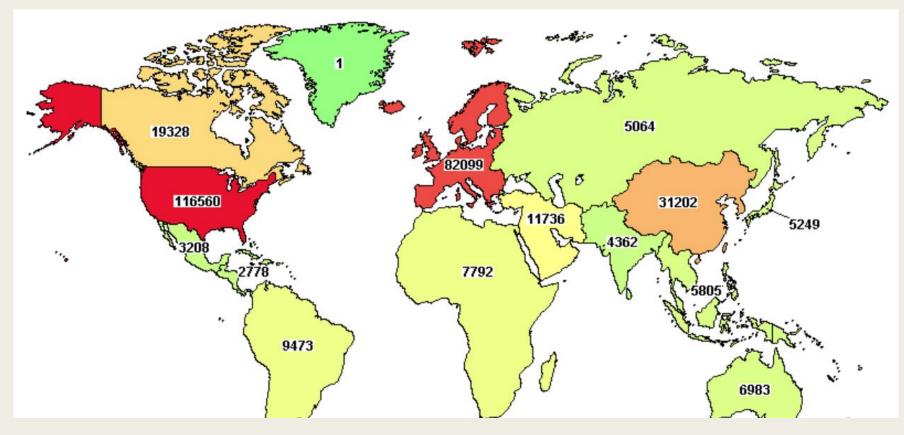


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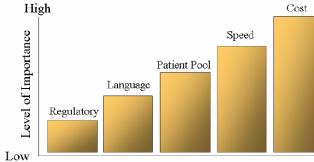


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#### The Two Faces of Indian Clinical Research....



#### A New Colonialism? — Conducting Clinical Trials in India

Samiran Nundy, M.Chir., and Chandra M. Gulhati, M.D., D.T.M.&H.



DR.JEI ROUBEN MAMOULIAN

"Dark Side of Clinical Trials" discovered in India??

BBC



**Parliament questions** & PIL in Supreme Court





806 trials conducted in 2010 122 trials conducted between January, 2011 and February, 2011 1,727 deaths reported during the rials between 2006 and 2009 132 deaths in 2007 288 people died in 2008

637 patients died in 2009 670 deaths reported in 2010

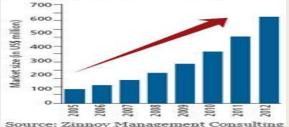
Drug trial victim Yatharth with mother Pooja. White spots appeared on his body after a vaccine. MAIL TODAY (left) had reported illegal trials in Indore.





#### **Charting progress**





#### Evolution of the Regulatory scenario in last 5 years

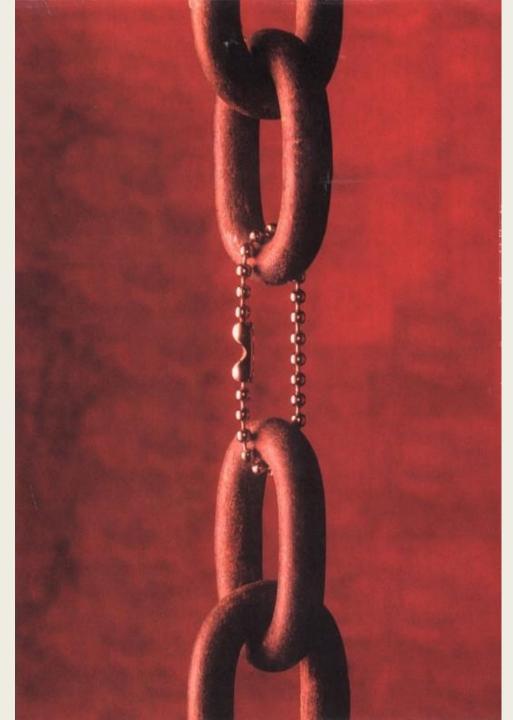
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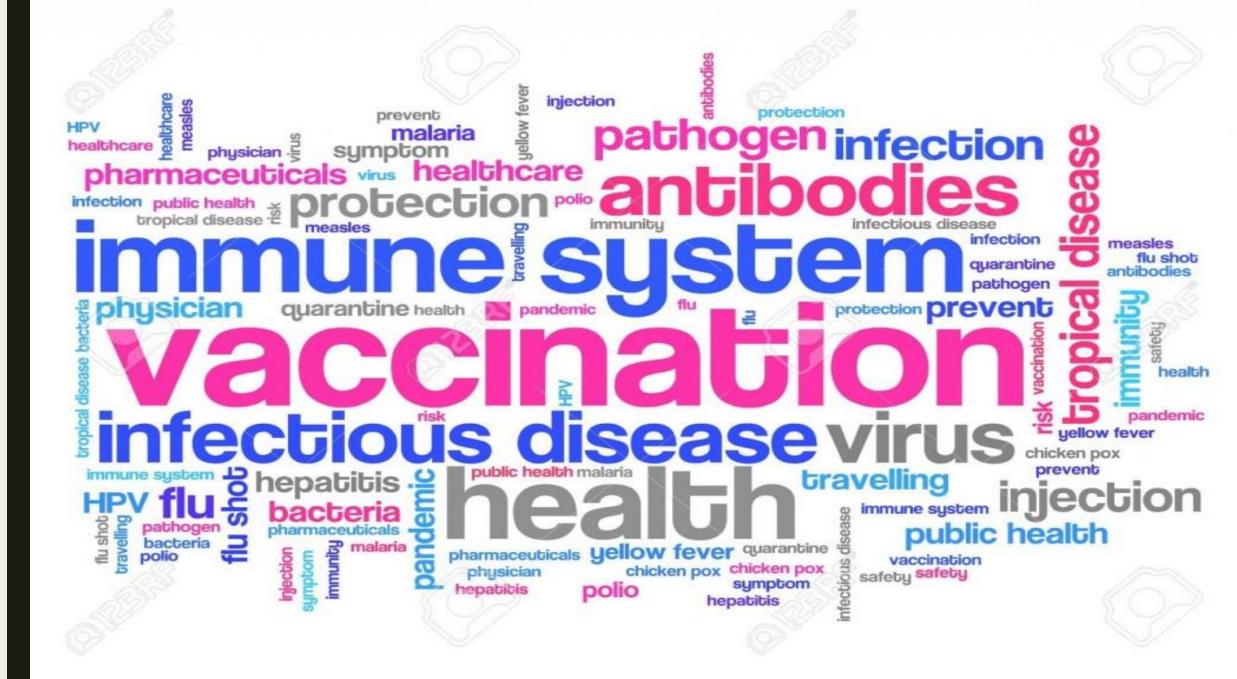
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#### Importance of Strengthening All Stake holders

- We are as good as our weakest link
- Strengthening the stake holders and their Quality standards is of paramount importance
- Promoting discovery and development in India
- Need to further strengthen capacity all over the country





### hindustantimes

#### wake in India: Country emerges as the new hub of vaccine research

More than 60% of the world's vaccines are made here and India is a member of the International Vaccine Institute's governing council, committing US \$500,000 each year.

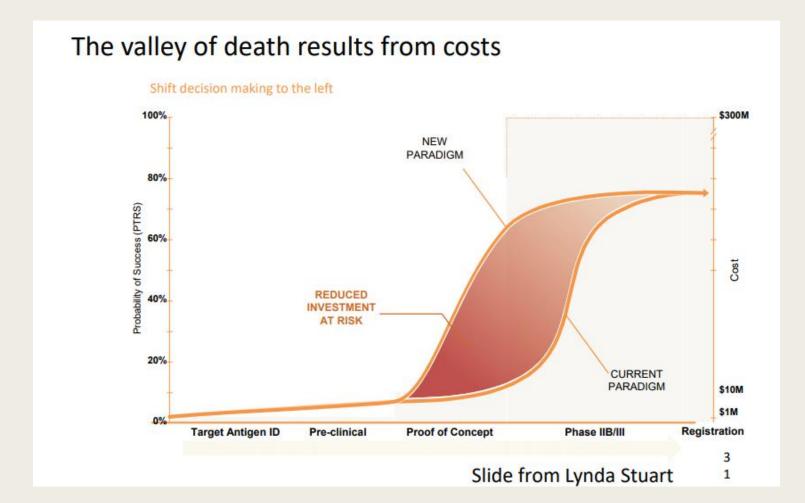
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Malavika Vyawahare Hindustan Times



India has marched from being one of the world's top vaccine-manufacturing hubs to become an emerging player in research and development, a feat that gives the denselypopulated tropical country a shot in the arm.

#### Stages of vaccine development



#### Newer strategies for vaccine development

- Strategy
  - Live recombinant
  - Recombinant proteins
  - Replicative defect/virus like particles
  - Alpha virus replicons
  - Naked DNA plasmid
  - Recombinant vectors
  - Prime boost using DNA
  - Reverse genetics
  - Peptides
  - T cell receptor

- Examples
  - Dengue, parainfluenza
  - Hep B, Pertussis toxin
  - HPV, HSV
  - HIV, haemorrhagic fevers
  - Hepatitis B
  - CMV, HIV
  - HIV, malaria
  - Influenza, RSV
  - Cancer
  - Multiple sclerosis

Slide of Dr. Gagandeep Kang, THSTI

#### Some challenges in Vaccine Development

- Identify an antigen
- For efficacy need good immunomarkers
- Large sample size
- In future, focus may be more on newer technology

## **OUR MOTTO**

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Nobody should die of a vaccine preventable disease

