

Product – Development - Partnership

- Non-profit drug research & development (R&D) organization founded in 2003
- Addressing the needs of the most neglected patients
- Harnessing resources from public institutions, private industry and philanthropic entities

8 regional offices working close to patients in:
Brazil, Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, South Africa, Malaysia, India, Japan, USA

Founding Partners

Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR), Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), Malaysian MoH, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation Brazil, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), Institut Pasteur France, WHO/TDR (permanent observer)





- ✓ Easy to use
- ✓ Affordable
- ✓ Field-adapted
- ✓ Non-patented

8 new treatments delivered since 2007



2007 **ASAQ**

Malaria

>500 million patients reached



2008 **ASMQ**

Malaria

Used in Africa and Asia



2009 **NECT**

Sleeping sickness

100% of stage-2 patients



2010 **SSG&PM**

Visceral leishmaniasis in E Africa

Now 1st line in all countries



2011 **PAEDIATRIC BENZNIDAZOLE**

Chagas disease

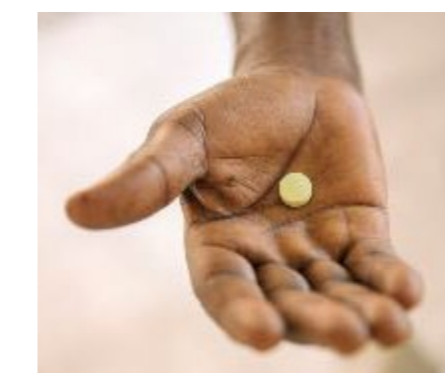
Two sources developed



2011 **NEW VL TREATMENT ASIA**

Visceral leishmaniasis in Asia

Support to disease elimination



2018 **FEXINIDAZOLE**

Sleeping sickness

Approved by European Medicines Agency, first all-oral treatment



2019 **4-in-1 Pediatric Formulation**

Paediatric HIV

Quadrimune under Review by FDA, under 1 USD

New tools to eliminate onchocerciasis

Where are we?

Mass Drug Administration (MDA, ivermectin)

Ivermectin does not kill the adult worms

Sustainable Development Goals cannot be met with current tools

Common strategic goals:

Expanding coverage of MDA programs

Adopting Test-and-Treat approaches in affected areas

Developing new drugs with superior efficacy to ivermectin



Over **20 million** people infected
About **200 million** people at risk
4 million people suffer from severe itching or dermatitis
1.34 DALY's lost in 2017

Use Case for a Macrocyclic

Case 1: TNT - Programmatic approach

- Test-and-Treat strategies (TNT), for treatment of patients in endemic areas outside MDA campaigns when diagnostic tools are available, especially in “mop up” campaigns after the disease burden has been reduced by MDA programs and is no longer cost effective, or in areas that are difficult to treat
- Test-and-not-Treat (TaNT) campaigns in areas where *Loa loa* is co-endemic, when the macrofilaricidal drug also has rapid microfilaricidal activity

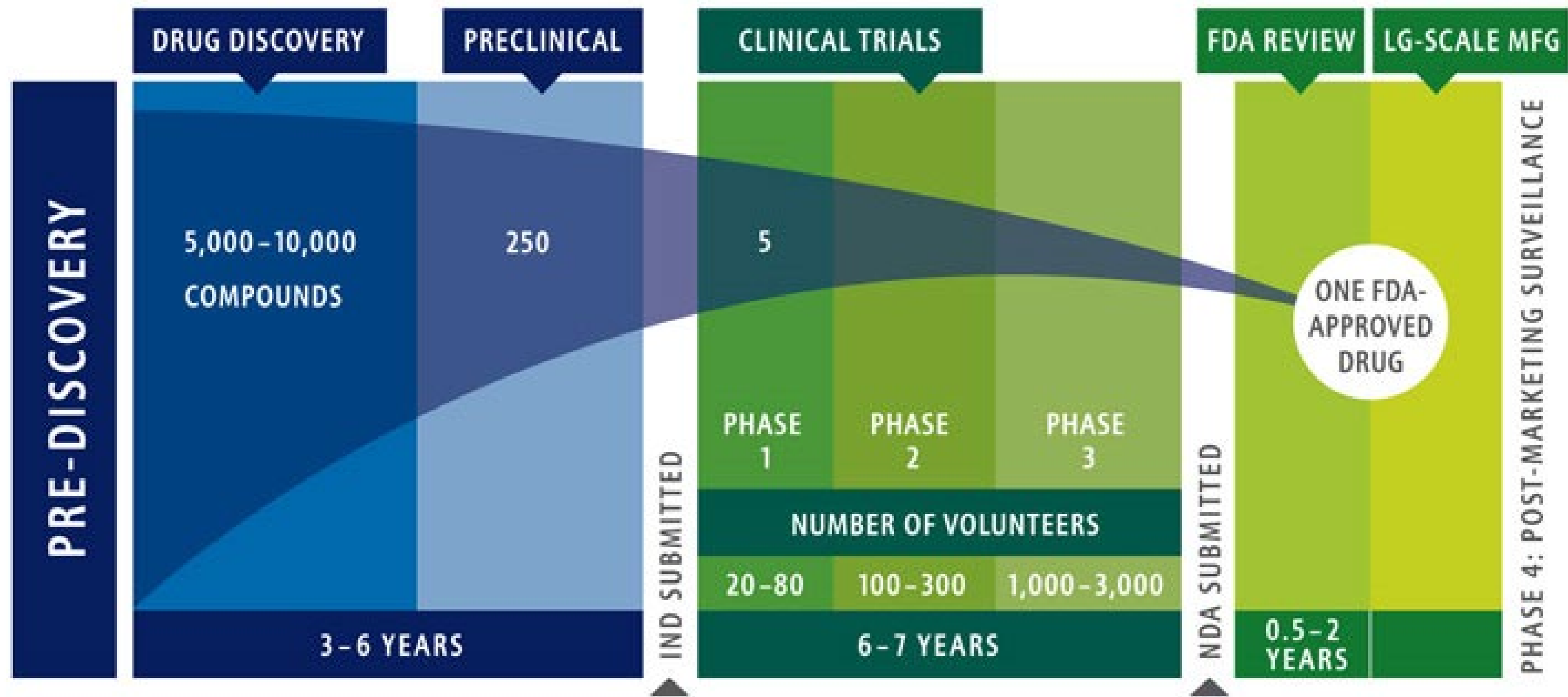
Case 2: TNT - Case Management

- Symptomatic patients
- Patients diagnosed positive for onchocerciasis

Case 3: MDA

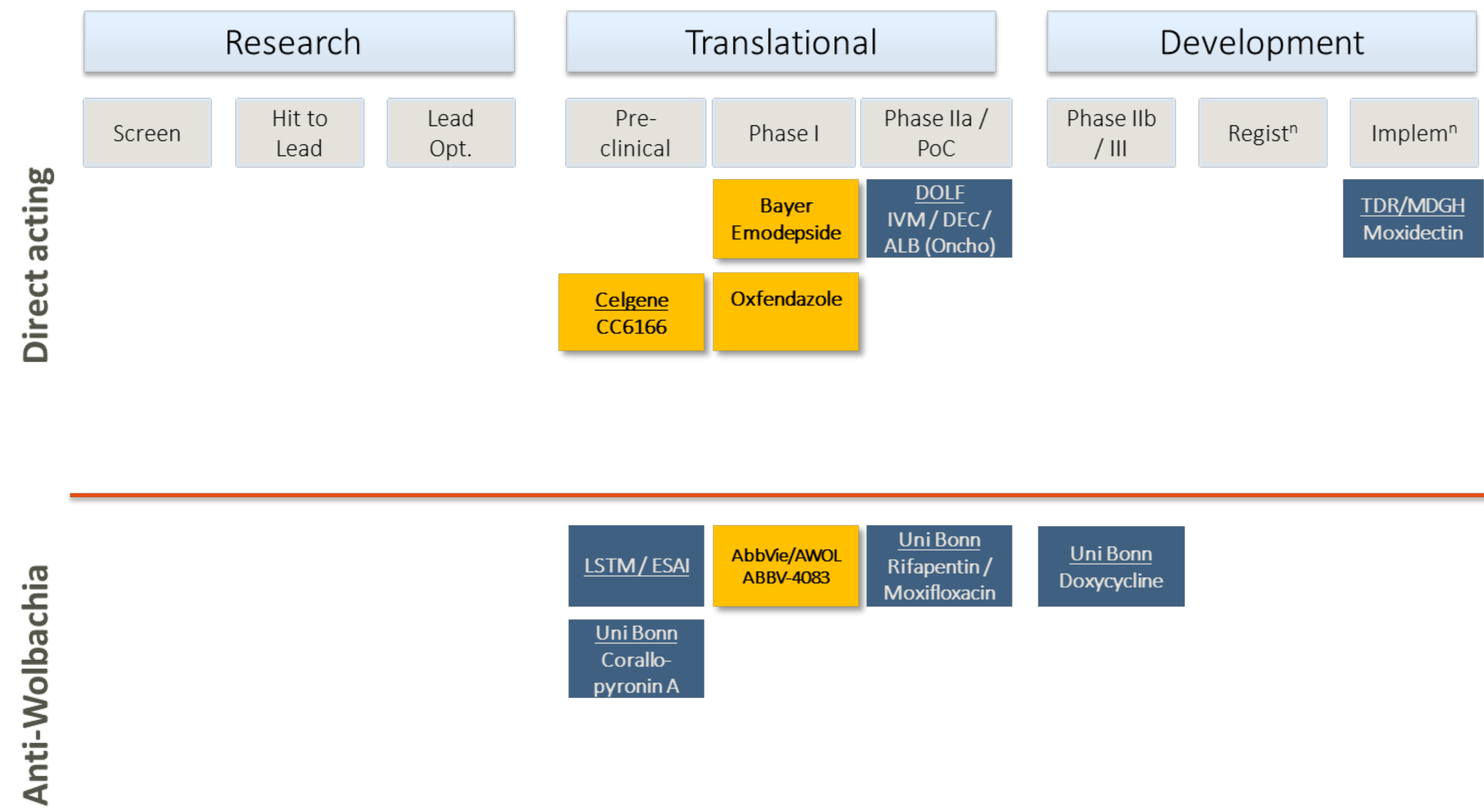
- MDA, if safety and tolerability profile is suitable, in order to drastically reduce the number of MDA cycles from 10-15 years as currently required.

R&D: A long and risky road



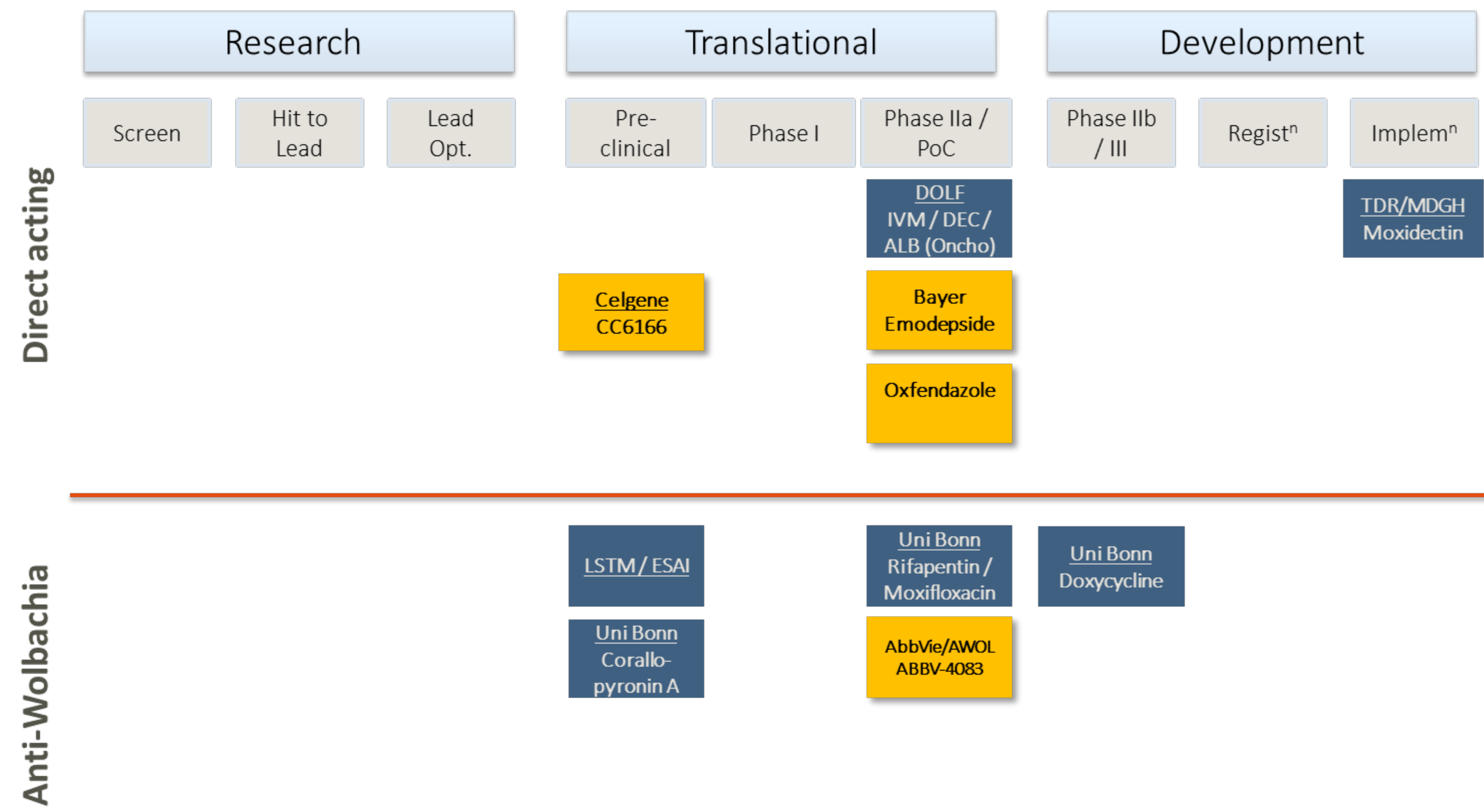
Source: Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

Filarial Landscape



DNDi projects

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DNDi Macrofilaricide program

Project activities:

- Development of macrofilaricidal drugs against Onchocerciasis.

Project stage:

- Currently, emodepside, ABBV-4083 (TylAMac[®]) and have passed the First-In-Human study (Phase 1) and will be tested for efficacy and safety in infected humans.
- Oxfendazole has passed the First-In-Human study (Phase 1)

Countries:

- Ghana, DRC to start with proof of concept for emodepside and ABBV-4083

Duration (emo/ABBV-4083):

- Complete development: until 2032
- For proof of concept 2022/2023

Reducing Development Time Lines & Costs

Repurposing of drugs

Liase with veterinary drug developers

Bayer Pharma, Bayer Animal Health

AbbVie

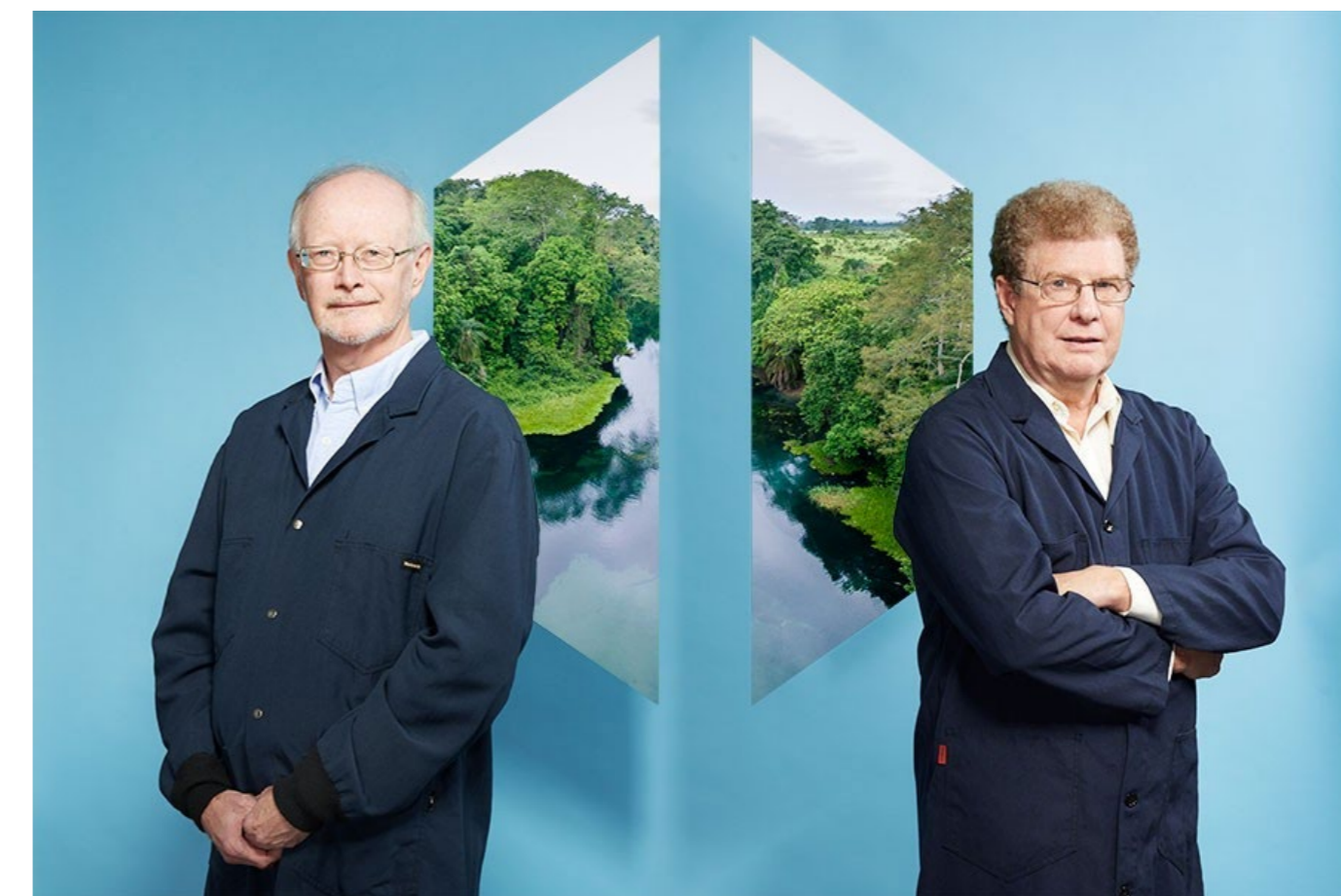
ABBV-4083 - TylAMac

- Synthetic derivative of tylosin A (common veterinary macrolide antibiotic)
- Highly potent against *Wolbachia* (>200-fold more potent than doxycycline)
- ✓ Tox-package completed
- ✓ IND (Investigational New Drug) application 11/2017
- ✓ Phase 1 Single Ascending Dose study completed
- ✓ Scientific advice meeting held with FDA

2017 CHICAGOANS OF THE YEAR

THE DISEASE SOLVERS

Howard Morton and Tom von Geldern



Dale Kempf



Emodepside - Profender

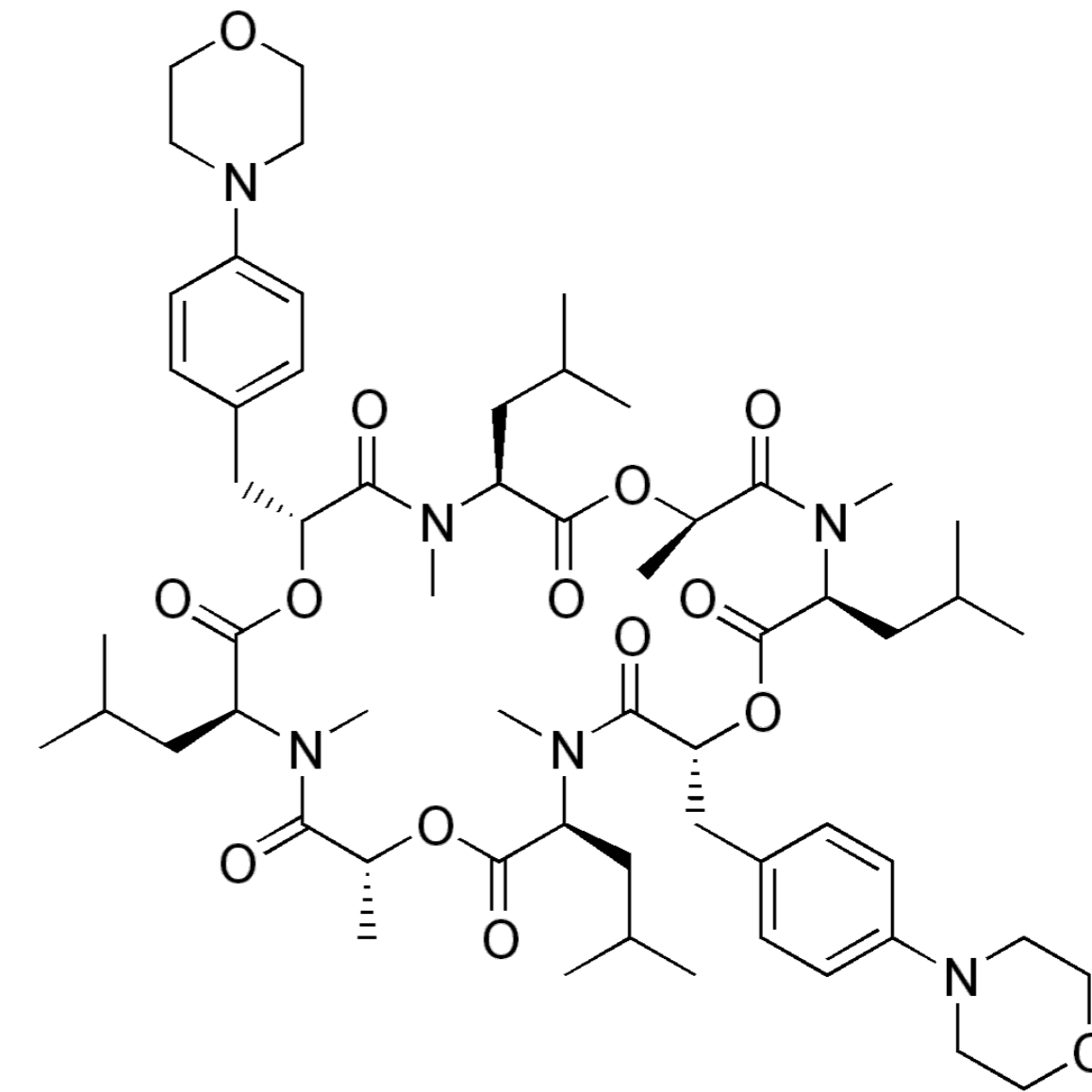
Emodepside

- Cyclooctadepsipeptide
- Veterinary anthelmintic with broad activity

Active against

- different nematode species
- different larval stages
- gastrointestinal and tissue parasites
- micro- and microfilaricidal activity on filarial parasites

- ✓ preclinical studies completed
- ✓ Veterinary toxicology package available
- ✓ First-In-Human clinical studies completed
- ✓ Scientific advice meeting held with FDA



Study Endpoints

Proof-of-Concept Endpoints:

- Absence of microfilaridermia
- Embryogenesis inhibition
- Adulticidal effect
- *Wolbachia* depletion (surrogate)

Proof-of-Concept Design:

- Dose range

Regulatory Endpoint:

- Absence of microfilaridermia after 24 months
 - Long term sterilizing, clinical benefit



Oxfendazole

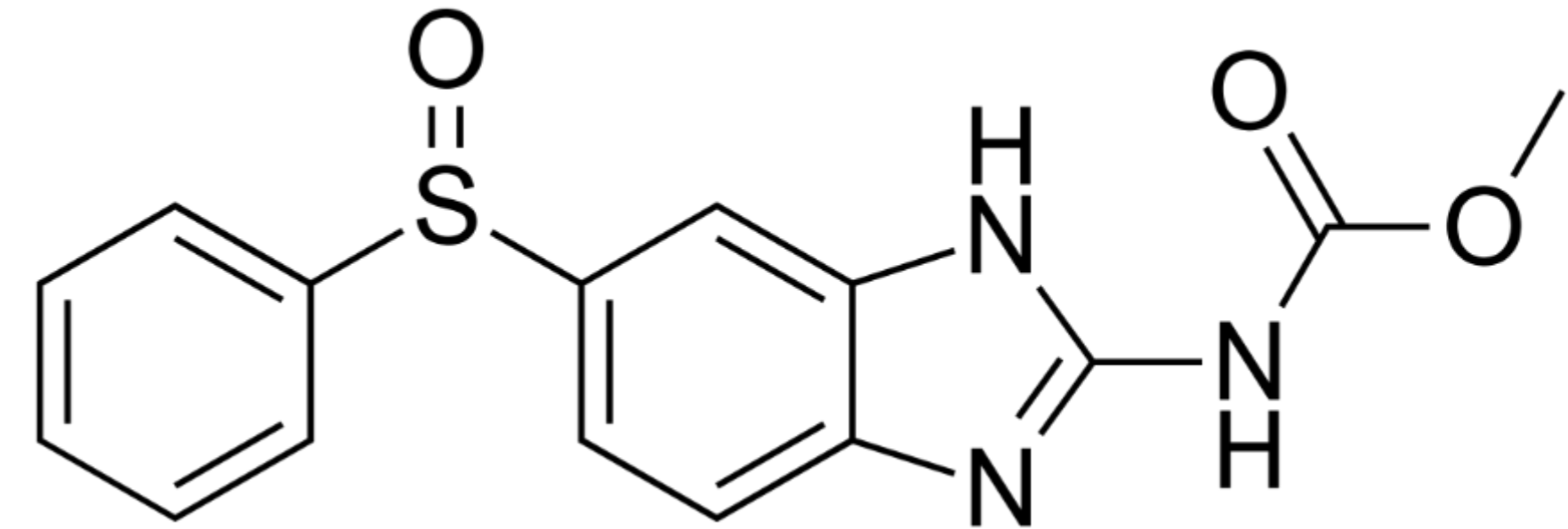
Oxfendazole

- broad spectrum benzimidazole anthelmintic
- Veterinary anthelmintic with broad activity

Active against

- roundworm, strongyloides and pinworms
- macrofilaricidal activity on filarial parasites

- ✓ preclinical studies completed
- ✓ First-In-Human clinical studies completed (ODG)
- ✓ Scientific advice meeting held with FDA



Summary

Develop a new safe and field-adapted drug with long-term sterilizing / macrofilaricide activity

- To implement in TNT/TaNT, case management
- DNDi candidates passed Phase 1
- Emodepside and ABBV-4083 will be tested for safety and efficacy
- No healthy drug discovery pipeline exists
- Similar challenges in other helminth areas

Partners



Research Foundation in
Tropical Diseases and
Environment
Buea Cameroon



SWOT Analysis for helminth control

Strength

- Elimination programs have reduced morbidity due to helminth infections
- Abrogation of transmission in some areas and countries
- Awareness for neglected patient groups increases

Weakness

- Relies on extremely limited number of (sub-) optimal tools
- Current drugs do not kill/eliminate adult worms (Oncho, Trichuriasis)
- Transmission unbroken in many areas
- No sensitive diagnostics available

Opportunities

MDA

- Transfer of successful programs
- Collaborations national level

R&D

- Common targets in various helminth species
- Large body of knowledge on the animal health market
- Advanced compounds available that have a complete tox package or have already been used in humans, but have no registration

Threats

- Potential spread of drug resistance
- Compliance issues with drug treatment
- Migration of infected individuals into post-control regions
- Vulnerable populations often not targeted



Horizon 2020
European Union Funding
for Research & Innovation

HELP

Helminth **Elimination** Platform

Swiss TPH

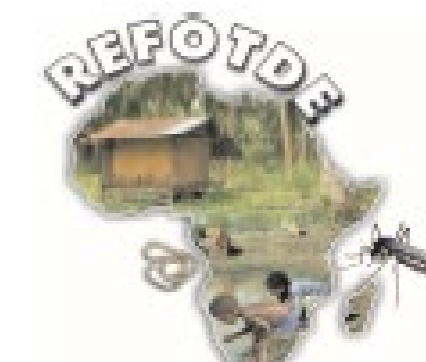


DNDi

Drugs for Neglected Diseases *initiative*



universitäts
klinikum **bonn**



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