# **New Targets for Innovative Diagnostics and Treatment**

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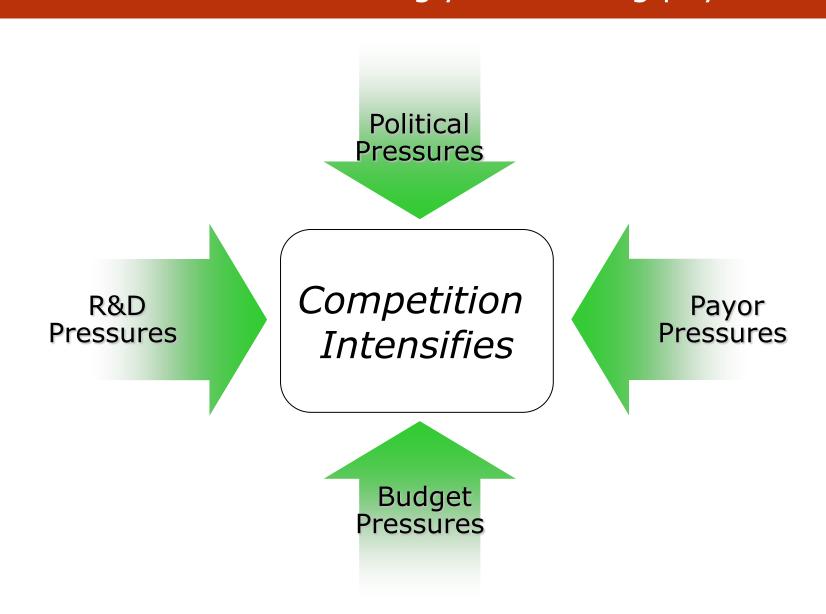
#### Introduction



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### The pharmaceutical industry faces rising cost containment and increasingly demanding payers





### The Future Business Perspective of the Pharmaceutical Industry

Focus on diseases with strong value proposition and high likelihood for successful execution of R&D

#### **Strong value proposition:**

- High unmet medical need
- Significant promise for superior efficacy compared to standard of care

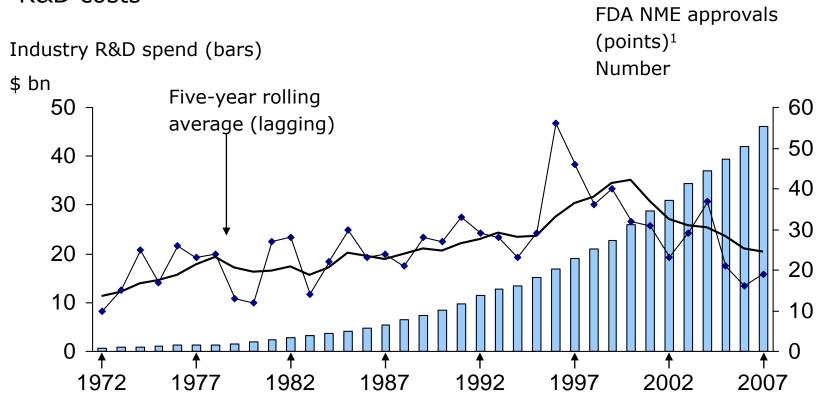
#### Successful execution:

- Novel, validated and drugable targets
- Predictive value of preclinical models
- Availability of relevant biomarkers
- Viable patient population for clinical trials
- Robust and registerable endpoints



### R&D spend of the pharmaceutical industry is increasing exponentially, but FDA approvals are not ...

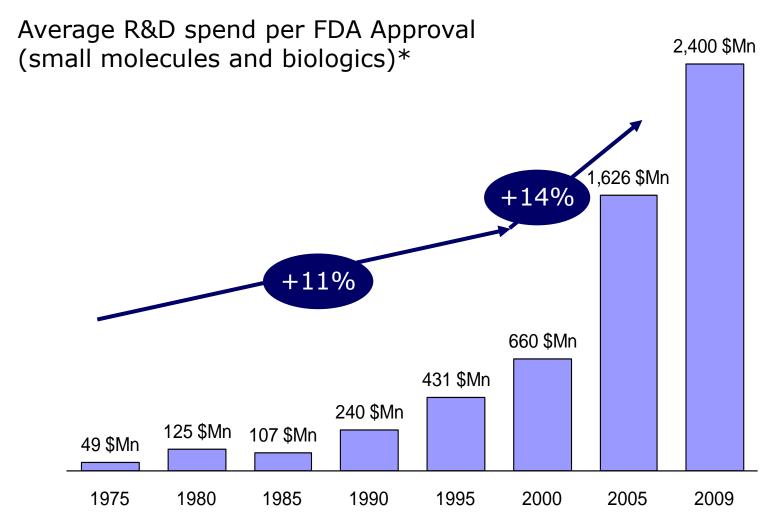
NME approvals over the last 30 years driven by exponential growth in R&D costs





Includes NCEs and BLAs. BLAs include 1986 onward; biologics approvals in prior years assumed negligible Source: Peltzman, in Journal of Political Economy v. 81, no. 5; P.B. Hutt, Health Affairs; Parexel, Pharmaceutical R&D Statistical Sourcebook 2007/2008; Food and Drug Administration; Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

#### Significantly increasing average R&D spend per new therapy of the pharmaceutical industry

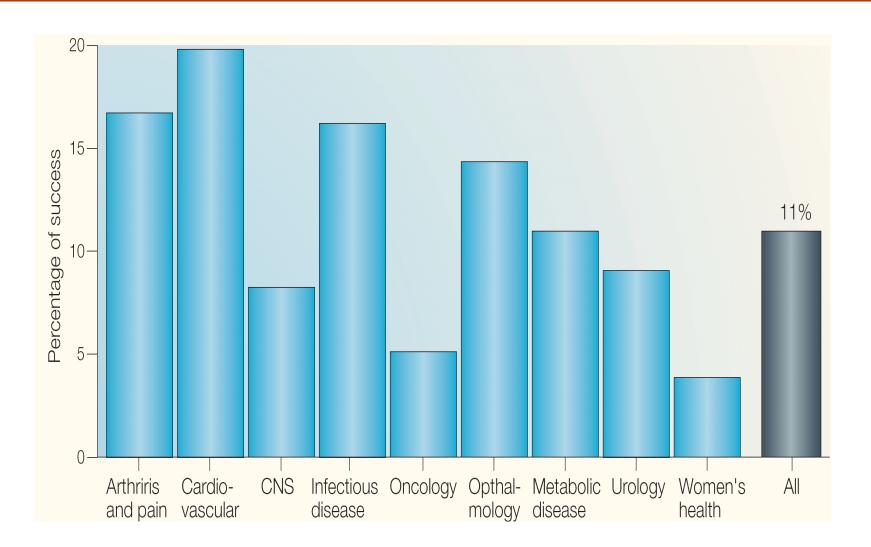




Average R&D spend per NME defined as 5 year lagging average R&D spend divided by sum of present period NME and BLA approvals Biologics included only from 1986 onward, biologics approvals assumed negligible in prior periods

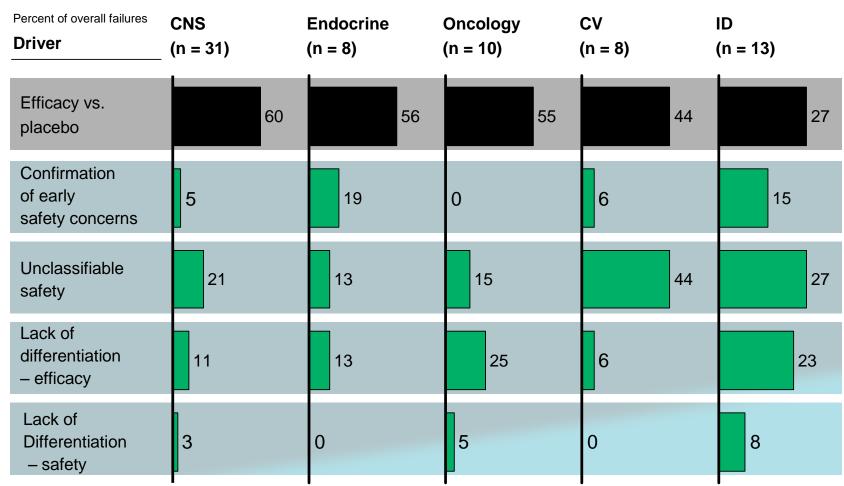
Source: McKinsey analysis, NME data from multiple publications and statistical sourcebooks Industry R&D spend data from the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, PhRMA Annual Membership Survey, 2006.

## Attrition is an issue the pharmaceutical industry needs to address, especially in some therapeutic areas





#### Root causes of phase III failures vary by TA, but still largely an efficacy issue



Note: All figures are rounded

Source: McKinsey; Evaluate; Pharmaprojects; Factiva; PubMed; literature search; team analysis



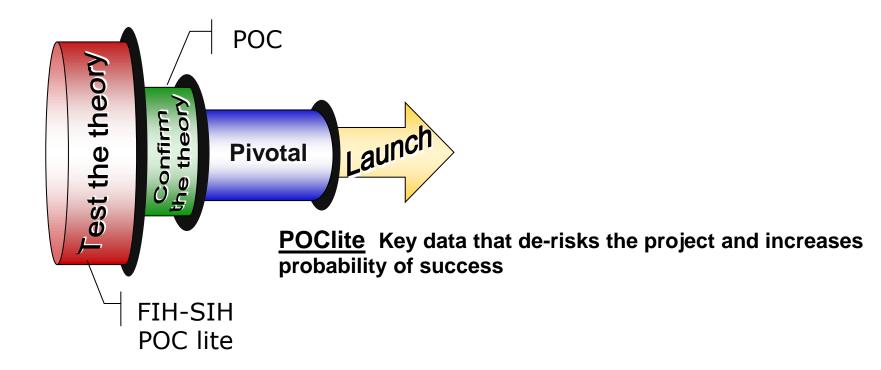
## Future AED discovery – based on novel and validated targets

- Target identification by creative scientists taking inspiration from ...
  - existing and novel hypotheses (transporter, target, network,...)
  - research on genetics, transcriptomics and epigenetics
  - mechanisms from other therapy areas
  - emerging technologies

Proof of concept studies providing <u>target validation</u> using genetic and pharmacological validation



## Future AED development – continuum of proof of concept approaches important to de-risk evelopment





**Biological Effect Biomarkers** 

clinical readouts

and/or

## Future AED development – relevant biomarkers key to increase probability of success



target engagement

biomarker

Type: 3

Type: 6 Readout/surrogate biomarker for Regulatory endpoint

Type: 5 Readout/biomarker of a clinical benefit

Type: 4 Readout/biomarker of disease activity

Physiological System or Biological Process downstream from target

Type: 2 Exposure: in the right tissue

Type: 1 Target engagement activity\*



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Key to address remaining unmet medical need in epilepsy!

