

Quali sono le *priorità* della Farmacoepidemiologia per supportare la politica del farmaco e dei vaccini?

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Availability of evidence of benefits on overall survival and quality of life of cancer drugs approved by European Medicines Agency: retrospective cohort study of drug approvals 2009-13

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Cosa Dice

Farmaci approvati 2009-2013

43 farmaci per 68 indicazioni

Qualità delle evidenze

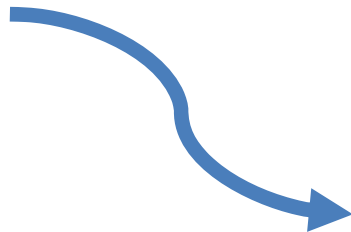
8 indicazioni (12%) approvati sulla base di *single arm studies*

Qualità degli outcomes

- ❖ 24 su 68 (35%) aumento di sopravvivenza *at time of approval*
- ❖ Benefit mediano OS 2.7 mesi (1,0 – 5,8)

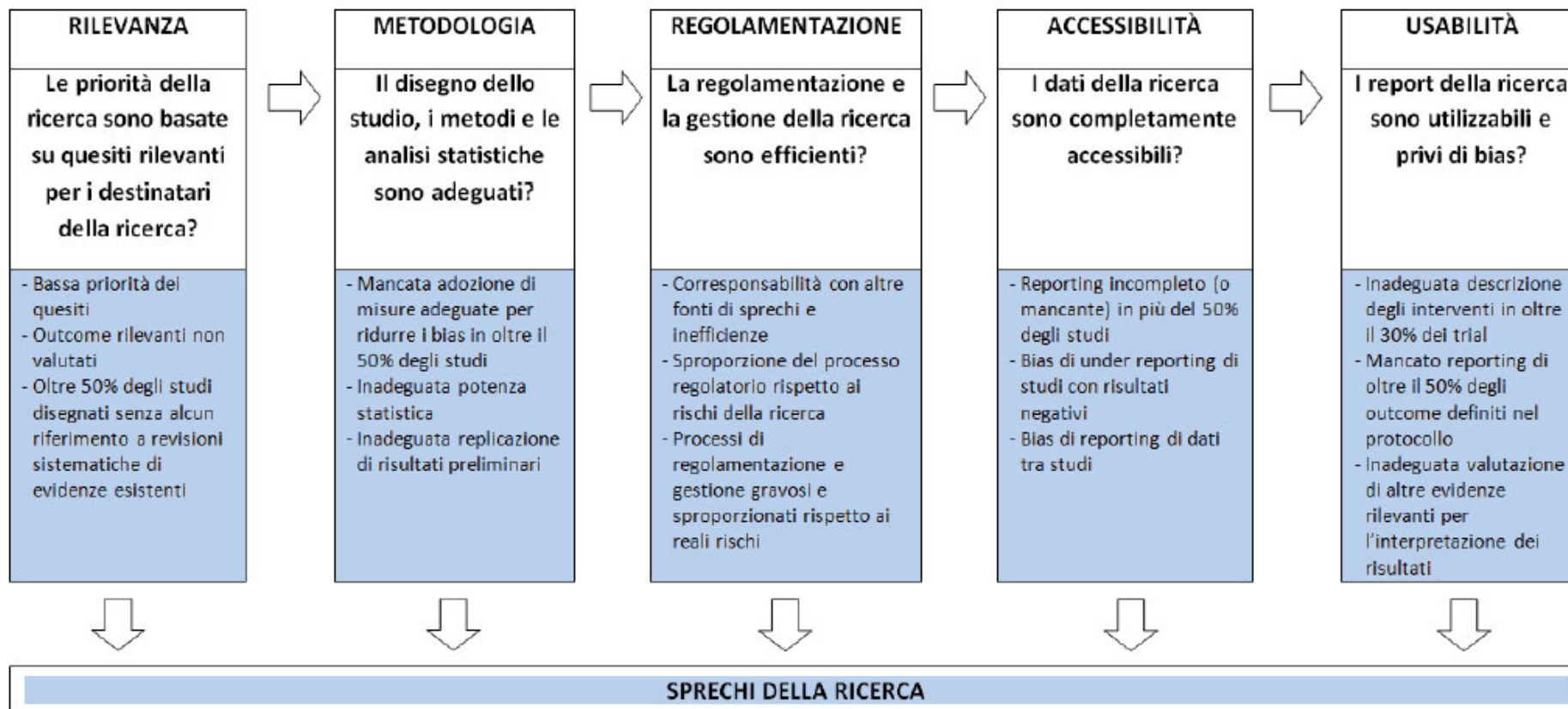
Qualità della vita

7 su 68 (10%) dimostrato un miglioramento di qualità della vita *at time approval*



“At a minimum of 3.3 years after market entry, there was still **no conclusive evidence that these drugs either **extended or improved life** for most cancer indications.”**

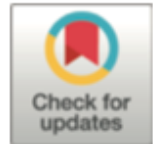
La ricerca ed il metodo scientifico nello sviluppo di un farmaco: criticità



Solidità/dati preliminari delle evidenze su cui si fondano RCTs

SPERIMENTAZIONE CLINICA E PERCORSO REGOLATORIO DEI FARMACI IN ONCOLOGIA : CRITICITA'

- Disegno sperimentale su **format US e non EU**: spesso **standard of care non perfettamente sovrapponibili** e quindi limiti nel disegno dello studio clinico
- Approvazione in **fast track da fasi 1 e 2 con studi di espansione (pochi pazienti)**: manca spesso approvazione confermatrice da studi fase 3
- Studi clinici **con 3 o più biologici/immunoterapici**: non abbiamo **piano di risk assessment e risk management**
- **Scarsa cultura di farmacovigilanza e di farmacovigilanza attiva**



EDITORIALS

Do cancer drugs improve survival or quality of life?

You don't need to know, according to our broken regulatory system

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Real-world Data for Clinical Evidence Generation in Oncology.

J Natl Cancer Inst. 2017 Nov 1;109(11)
[Khozin S¹, Blumenthal GM¹, Pazdur R¹.](#)
Oncology Center of Excellence, Food and
Drug Administration, Silver Spring, MD.

- Conventional cancer clinical trials can have limited external validity
- Difficult for patients to participate in.
- The use of real-world data (RWD) to improve current methods of clinical evidence generation.
- Sources of RWD outside of conventional clinical trials are important
- Original intent of data collected at the point of care can distinguish RWD from conventional clinical trial data

- Prospective collection of RWD can enable evidence generation based on pragmatic clinical trials (PCTs) that support randomized study designs and expand clinical research to the point of care.
- PCTs may help address the growing demands for access to experimental therapies while increasing patient participation in cancer clinical trials.
- RWD can support active pharmacovigilance, insights into the natural history of disease, and the development of external control arms
- Conducting valid real-world studies **requires data quality assurance** through auditable data abstraction methods and new incentives to drive electronic capture of clinically relevant data at the point of care.