## PANDRH STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014-2020:

# RATIONALE, REGIONAL CONTEXT AND LESSONS LEARNED





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### OUTLINE

- PANDRH: 1999 2013
- Regulatory Systems Development and Cooperation in the Region
- Implementation of PANDRH Guidelines within a complex global regulatory environment
- NRA Priorities in the Americas; an overview
- The PANDRH Strategic Development Plan 2014 2020

### PANDRH:1999 - 2013

- The Pan American Network for Drug Regulatory Harmonization (PANDRH) was established in 1999;
  - Mission: To promote regulatory harmonization, including the quality, safety, efficacy, and the rational use of pharmaceutical products, while strengthening the capacities of National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs)

 Six Conferences organized to present, discuss and adopt normative guidelines developed by Working Groups

 PANDHR has supported capacity building, implementation of normative guidelines, exchange of experience between NRAs

## VI PANDRH CONFERENCE, BRAZIL, 2011;

- Adoption of Technical Documents:
  - Recommendations for the evaluation of similar bio-therapeutic products (SBP);
  - Guidelines for the Registration of Medicines in the Americas;
  - Manual for research / Guidelines for Good Clinical Practices;
  - Guidelines for Clinical Trials in Pediatrics;
  - Considerations on the use of placebo in Clinical Trials;
  - Ethical criteria for the promotion, advertising of medicines.
- A call for the development of a Strategic Plan for PANDRH that integrates NRA systems development (CD50R9 / 2010):
  - Network flexibility, promoting cooperation and exchange between NRAs;
  - Focus on development of regulatory systems;
  - Design and implement regional training program with NRAs of reference and other entities (universities).
- Use new and existing platforms to create opportunities for collaboration.



### REGULATORY SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT

- Institutional development of NRA in process for:
  - Bahamas, Costa Rica, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago.
- Currently, there are seven WHO/PAHO reference regulatory authorities with regulatory functions assessed:
  - Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico and the United States of America
- WHO/PAHO Collaborating Centers:
  - US FDA (CBER), Health Canada (HPFB), Cuba (process initiated)



### INCREASING REGIONAL COOPERATION

- Multiple new agreements signed between NRAs: e.g.
  - Strengthening of regulatory capacity (Mexico / El Salvador)
  - Sharing of GMP inspection reports (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba)
  - Recognition of medical device product registrations ( US / Costa Rica)
- Capacity building between regulators: e.g.
  - Multicountry participation in Health Canada's HPFB International Regulatory Forum 2011 and 2012 (vaccines and medical devices)
  - ANMAT International courses on falsified products, PV etc
- Cooperation through collaborative networks; e.g.
  - 10th Annual Step for the PAHO/WHO External Quality Control Program with 23 countries and 26 OMCLs
  - Establishment of a Regional Network of Pharmacovigilance Focal Points within NRAs (2012)
  - IMDRF: with participation of Canada, US and Brazil
  - Communities of practice through PRAIS



# COMPLEX REGIONAL / GLOBAL REGULATORY LANDSCAPE

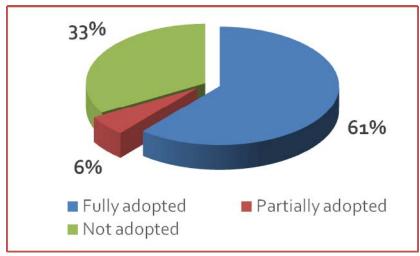
- Sub-regional developments:
  - CARICOM; towards a sub-regional regulatory framework strengthening regulatory systems in the Caribbean
  - ALBA (July 2013) towards a Regional Center and Single Registry for Medicines
  - Central America: development of roadmap for regulatory systems development (2013)
- NRAs establishing collaborative links with Global Initiatives / alternative harmonization or regulatory convergence initiatives:
  - WHO / ICDRA
  - ICH / APEC / ICH
  - IMDRF
  - PIC/S
  - Trans Pacific Partnership / Regulatory Coherence



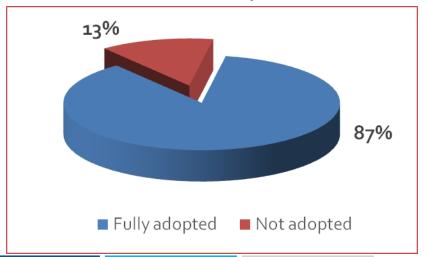
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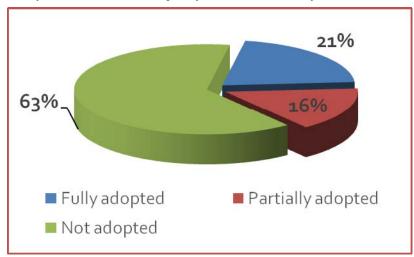
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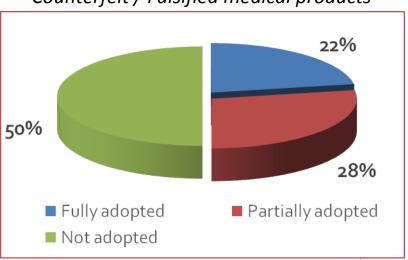
**Good Laboratory Practices** 



*Implementation of equivalence requirements* 



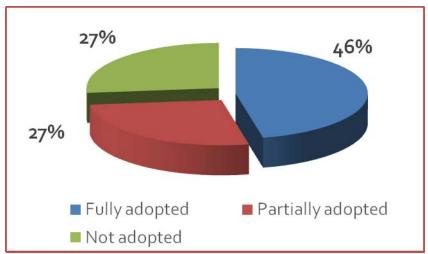
Counterfeit / Falsified medical products



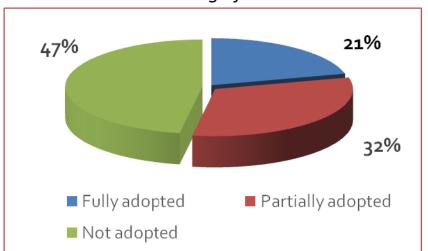
# HAVE PANDHR GUIDELINES BEEN ADOPTED / IMPLEMENTED? (II)

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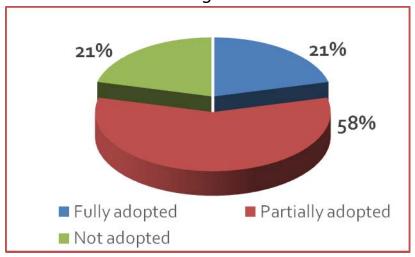
**Good Clinical Practices** 



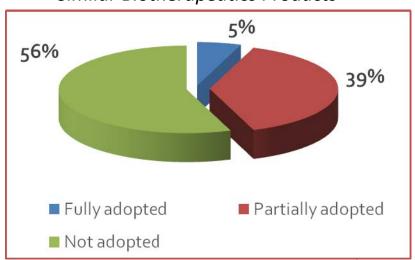
*Licensing of vaccines* 



Good Pharmacovigilance Practices



Similar Biotherapeutics Products



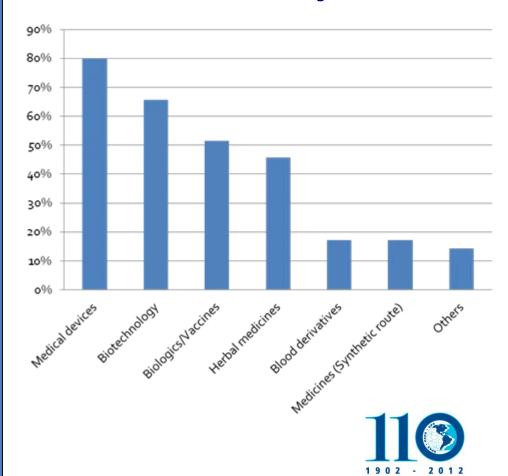
### REGIONAL NRA PRIORITIES IN 2013 (I)

Survey response rate (results based on responses from 29 countries):
Yes 76%
No 24%



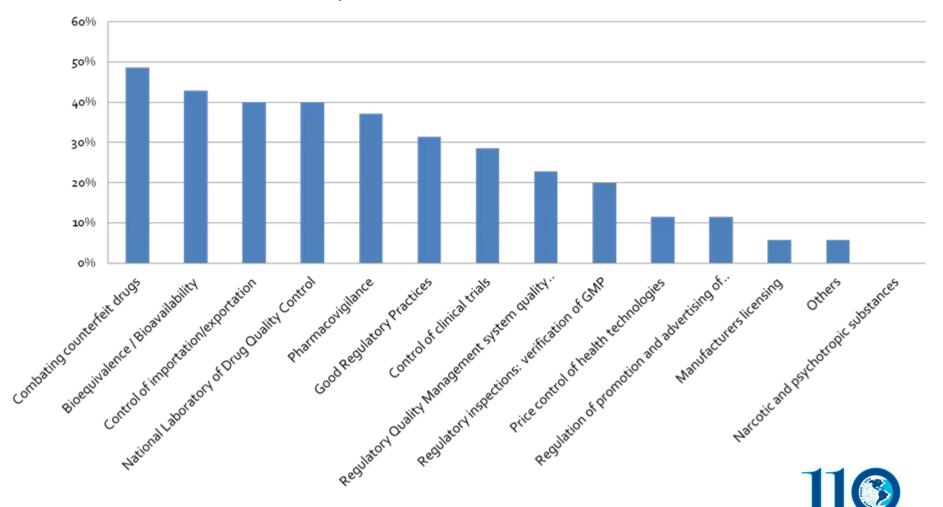
Part I: Identification of future national regulatory priorities/challenges for the work of PANDRH National regulatory challenges identified by countries:

Health Technologies



### REGIONAL NRA PRIORITIES IN 2013 (II)

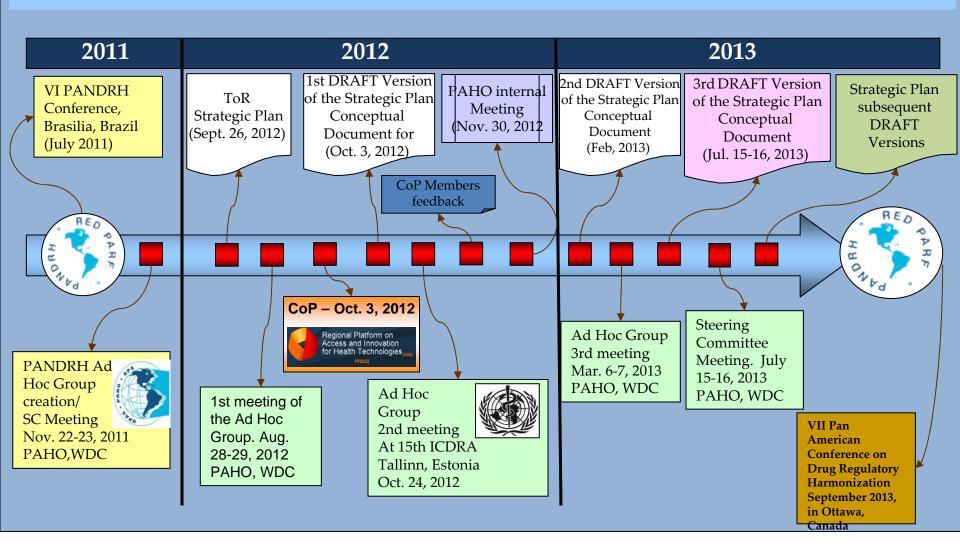
Part I (Cont.): National regulatory priorities/challenges identified by countries: Technical areas\*



### CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF PANDHR

- Approximately 60% of PANDRH technical documents have been used for the development of NRA regulations:
  - 34% have been fully adopted and 26% have been partially adopted
  - Of the remaining 40%, 55% correspond to countries that previously implemented other regulations and/or regulations were based on other harmonization initiatives
- Initial results from the studies and surveys facilitate:
  - identification of future priority areas for normative adoption / implementation (equivalency, SSFFC, biologicals, etc)
  - future focus areas for PANDHR to address current regulatory challenges
- Results to inform the PANDRH Strategic Development Plan 2014-2020

# TIMELINE FOR THE PANDRH STRATEGIC PLAN 2014-2020



# STRUCTURE OF THE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014-2020

- Introduction and Context
  - Analysis of the situation in the Americas Region
  - Lessons learned
- Strategic Orientation
  - Purpose: To strengthen the capacity of National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs) in the Americas so support fulfillment of regulatory mandates efficiently, effectively, and transparently, through increased cooperation, moving towards regulatory convergence and harmonization
  - Four Strategic Objectives
    - Lines of actions
    - Expected results

# COMPONENTS OF THE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014-2020 (CONT.)

#### Strategic objectives (SO)

- •SO I. Promote the efficient governance of PANDRH and the active participation and cooperation of NRAs moving towards regulatory convergence and harmonization
- •SO II. Periodically define strategies and mechanisms for regulatory convergence and harmonization, and support their dissemination, adoption, and implementation by NRAs
- •SO III. Promote the strengthening of competencies in Good Regulatory Practices and Regulatory Sciences
- •SO IV. Promote the exchange of experiences and regulatory knowledge between NRAs inside and outside PANDRH

## VII PANDRH CONFERENCE: EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The PANDRH Steering Committee (PAHO Washington, July 2013) proposed expected outcomes from the VII PANDRH Conference are:

- •Endorsement of the Strategic Development Plan 2014-2020;
- •Discussion on how to approach and implement each of the strategic priorities;
- •Agreement on the development of a joint implementation / work plan through the establishment of working groups that would address each of the four strategic objectives.



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