

# Committee on Processes to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of Drugs for Rare Diseases in the United States and the European Union

Meeting #3: February 6 – 7, 2024: Committee Agenda

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024**

## CLOSED SESSION (8:30 – 9:30 AM ET) – COMMITTEE MEMBERS ONLY

9:45—10:00 am BREAK

## OPEN SESSION (10:00 AM – 2:30 PM ET)

**10:00–10:05 am Welcome and Introduction**

JEFFREY KAHN, *Committee Chair*  
 Andreas C. Dracopoulos Director  
 Robert Henry Levi and Ryda Hecht Levi Professor of Bioethics and Public Policy  
 Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics

**10:05–11:00 am Trial Design for Rare Disease Drug Development**

LONGITUDINAL TRIAL DESIGN  
 Tiina Urv  
 Director, Rare Disease Clinical Trial Network  
 National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences  
 National Institutes of Health

MASTER PROTOCOLS  
 NICOLE MAYER HAMBLETT  
 Associate Professor of Pediatrics & Adjunct Associate Professor of Biostatistics, University of Washington  
 Co-Executive Director, Cystic Fibrosis Therapeutics Development Network Coordinating Center

EXTERNAL CONTROLS  
 WILLIAM MAIER  
 Vice President, Rare Diseases  
 ICON plc

**Committee Discussion (30 min)**

**11:00 am – 12:00pm Considerations for Pediatric Trials**  
INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE  
 THOMAS MILLER

Global Head of the Acute, Chronic, and Pediatric Disease Nucleus  
Bayer, Pharmaceutical Division

CAREGIVER PERSPECTIVE

KARA BERASI  
CEO, Haystack Project  
Vice Chair of Board of Directors, CDG Care (Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation)

REGULATORY SCIENCE PERSPECTIVE

FLORENCE BOURGEOIS  
Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School  
Co-Director, Harvard-MIT Center for Regulatory Science  
Director, Pediatric Therapeutics and Regulatory Science Initiative, Boston Children's Hospital

**Committee Discussion (30 min)**

**12:00–1:00 pm LUNCH BREAK**

**1:00-2:00 pm Use of “Supplemental” Data**

USE OF AGGREGATE DATA  
KLAUS ROMERO  
Chief Executive Officer & Chief Science Officer  
Critical Path Institute

EXPANDED ACCESS PROGRAMS

ALISON BATEMAN-HOUSE  
Assistant Professor, Department of Population Health  
New York University Grossman School of Medicine

PATIENT REGISTRIES AND NATURAL HISTORY DATA

EDWARD NEILAN  
Chief Medical and Scientific Officer  
National Organization for Rare Disorders

**Committee Discussion (30 min)**

**2:00 pm ADJOURN OPEN SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION (2:30 PM – 5:30 PM ET) – COMMITTEE MEMBERS ONLY**

**5:30 pm ADJOURN DAY 1**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024**

**CLOSED SESSION (8:30 – 9:30 AM ET) – COMMITTEE MEMBERS ONLY**

**9:15–9:30 am BREAK**

**OPEN SESSION (9:30 AM – 12:15 PM ET)**

**9:30–9:35 am Welcome and Introductions**

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Andreas C. Dracopoulos Director  
Robert Henry Levi and Ryda Hecht Levi Professor of Bioethics and Public Policy  
Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics

**9:35–10:30 am      Novel Methodologies**

**ANALYSIS METHODS – BAYESIAN METHODS AND SMART DESIGN**

KELLEY KIDWELL  
Professor of Biostatistics  
University of Michigan

**ANALYSIS METHODS – CAUSAL INFERENCE**

XABIER GARCIA DE ALBINEZ MARTINEZ  
Director of Epidemiology, RTI Health Solutions  
Visiting Scientist, Department of Epidemiology, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

**MODEL-INFORMED DRUG DEVELOPMENT**

Hao Zhu  
Division Director  
Division of Pharmacometrics, Office of Combination Products, Office of Translational Sciences  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
US Food and Drug Administration

**Committee Discussion (30 min)**

**10:30–10:45 am      BREAK**

**10:45–                    Flexibilities Applied at FDA**

12:00 pm                    EMILY FREILICH  
Division Director of Division of Neurology I  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
US Food and Drug Administration

RACHAEL ANATOL  
Deputy Director of Office of Therapeutic Products  
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research  
US Food and Drug Administration

MARTHA DONOGHUE  
Associate Director of Pediatric Oncology and Rare Cancers  
Oncology Center of Excellence  
US Food and Drug Administration

**12:00–12:15pm      Public Comment**

**12:15 pm                    ADJOURN OPEN SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION (1:00 – 5:00 PM ET) – COMMITTEE MEMBERS ONLY**

**5:00 pm                    ADJOURN MEETING**