

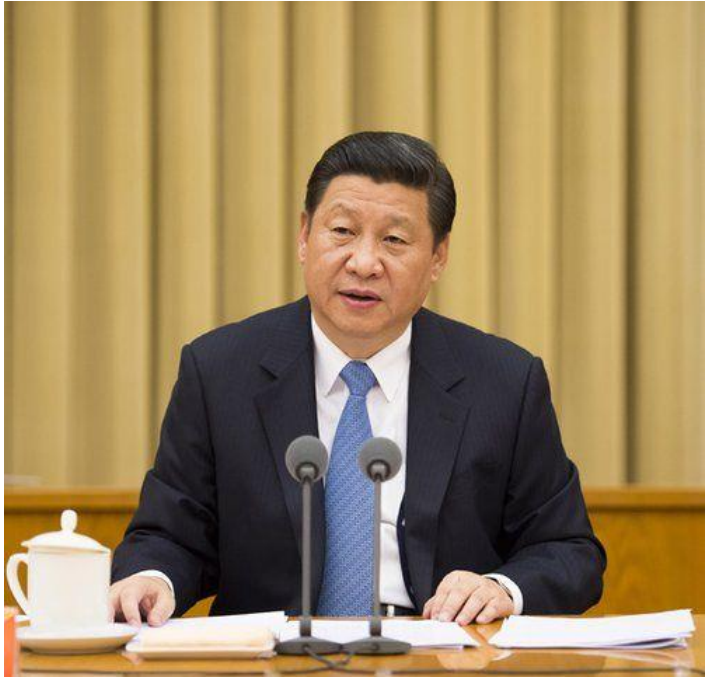
HEALTH FOR ALL

China's Initiative to Combat the Challenges of Rare Diseases

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‘Health is a prerequisite for people's all-round development and a precondition for economic and social development.’

— President Xi Jinping, National Health Conference, 2016

Policies at National Level for Rare Diseases Care in China

- 1. Policy Making and the Consulting Organization**
- 2. Clinical Care System governed by China NHC**
- 3. National Rare Diseases Registry System supported by PUMCH**
- 4. Specialty Communities, Workforce Training and Medical Education**
- 5. Prioritized Approval Process by China FDA**

Policies at National Level for Rare Diseases Care in China

- 6. Tax reduction for Orphan Drugs by Central Government**
- 7. Research Funding in Rare Diseases**
- 8. Social Care and Charities**
- 9. Broad Involvement of Multiple Stakeholders**
- 10. Collaboration with International Communities**

Policy Making and the Consulting Organization

2016.1 Establishment of rare diseases experts committee

(Diagnosis/Treatment/Medical security) (Member of National Health committee)

Primary task:

Catalogue of Rare Diseases in China

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关于公布第一批罕见病目录的通知

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2018年5月11日



China's First List of Rare Diseases (2018.5)

- National Health Committee
- Ministry of Science and Technology
- Ministry of Industry and Information Technology
- State Food and Drug Administration
- State Administration of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Five ministries jointly issued
the first version of RD catalogue
121 diseases included
The second edition will be updated soon

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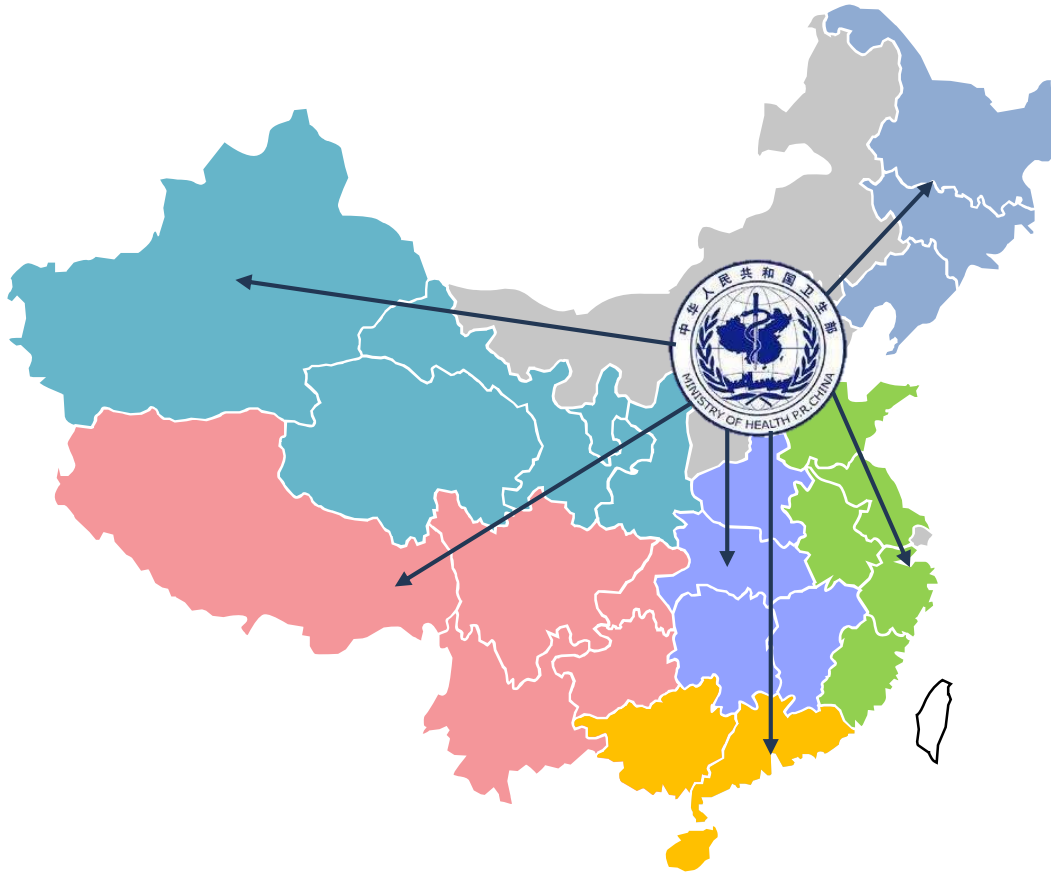
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第一批罕见病目录

序号	中文名称	英文名称	序号	中文名称	英文名称	序号	中文名称	英文名称
1	21-羟化酶缺乏症	21-Hydroxylase Deficiency	24	冠状动脉扩张病	Coronary Artery Ectasia	50	低碱性磷酸酶血症	Hypophosphatasia
2	白化病	Albinism	25	先天性纯红细胞再生障碍性贫血	Diamond-Blackfan Anemia	51	低磷性佝偻病	Hypophosphatemic Rickets
3	Alport 综合征	Alport Syndrome	26	Erdheim-Chester 病	Erdheim-Chester Disease	52	特发性心肌病	Idiopathic Cardiomyopathy
4	肌萎缩侧索硬化	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis	27	Fabry 病	Fabry Disease	53	特发性低促性腺激素性腺功能减退症	Idiopathic Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism
5	Angelman 氏综合征(天使综合征)	Angelman Syndrome	28	家族性地中海热	Familial Mediterranean Fever	54	特发性肺动脉高压	Idiopathic Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension
6	精氨酸酶缺乏症	Arginase Deficiency	29	范可尼贫血	Fanconi Anemia	55	特发性肺纤维化	Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis
7	热射病综合征(窒息性胸腔失养症)	Asphyxiating Thoracic Dystrophy (Jeune Syndrome)	30	半乳糖血症	Galactosemia	56	IgG4 相关性疾病	IgG4 related Disease
8	非典型性溶血性尿毒症	Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome	31	戈谢病	Gaucher's Disease	57	先天性胆汁酸合成障碍	Inborn Errors of Bile Acid Synthesis
9	自身免疫性脑炎	Autoimmune Encephalitis	32	全身型重症肌无力	General Myasthenia Gravis	58	异戊酸血症	Isovaleric Acidemia
10	自身免疫性垂体炎	Autoimmune Hypophysitis	33	Gitelman 综合征	Gitelman Syndrome	59	卡尔曼综合征	Kallmann Syndrome
11	自身免疫性胰岛素受体抗体病	Autoimmune Insulin Receptoropathy (Type B insulin resistance)	34	戊二酸血症 I 型	Glutaric Acidemia Type I	60	朗格汉斯组织细胞增生症	Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis
12	β -酮硫解酶缺乏症	Beta-ketothiolase Deficiency	35	糖原累积病(I型、II型)	Glycogen Storage Disease (Type I, II)	61	莱伦氏综合征	Laron Syndrome
13	生物素酶缺乏症	Biotinidase Deficiency	36	血友病	Hemophilia	62	Leber 遗传性视神经病变	Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy
14	心脏离子通道病	Cardiac Ion Channelopathies	37	肝豆状核变性	Hepatolenticular Degeneration (Wilson Disease)	63	长链 3-羟酰辅酶 A 脱氢酶缺乏症	Long Chain 3-hydroxyacyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency
15	原发性肉碱缺乏症	Carnitine Deficiency	38	遗传性血管性水肿	Hereditary Angioedema (HAE)	64	淋巴管肌瘤病	Lymphangiomyomatosis (LAM)
16	Castleman 病	Castleman Disease	39	遗传性大疱性表皮松解症	Hereditary Epidermolysis Bullosa	65	赖氨酸尿症蛋白不耐受症	Lysinase Urinary Protein Intolerance
17	路易肌萎缩症	Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease	40	遗传性果糖不耐受症	Hereditary Fructose Intolerance	66	溶酶体酸性脂肪酶缺乏症	Lysosomal Acid Lipase Deficiency
18	瓜氨酸血症	Citrullinemia	41	遗传性低镁血症	Hereditary Hypomagnesemia	67	枫糖尿症	Maple Syrup Urine Disease
19	先天性肾上腺发育不良	Congenital Adrenal Hypoplasia	42	遗传性多发性脑梗死性痴呆	Hereditary Multi-infarct Dementia (Core Autosomal Dominant Arteriopathy with Subcortical Infarcts and Leukoencephalopathy, CADASIL)	68	马凡综合征	Marfan Syndrome
20	先天性高胰岛素素性低血糖症	Congenital Hyperinsulinemic Hypoglycemia	43	遗传性痉挛性截瘫	Hereditary Spastic Paraplegia	69	McCune-Albright 综合征	McCune-Albright Syndrome
21	先天性肌无力综合征	Congenital Myasthenic Syndrome	44	全反式维生素 A 合成酶缺乏症	Holocarboxylase Synthetase Deficiency	70	中链酰辅酶 A 脱氢酶缺乏症	Medium Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency
22	先天性肌强直(非营养不良性肌强直综合征)	Congenital Myotonia Syndrome (Non-Dystrophic Myotonia, NDM)	45	同型半胱氨酸血症	Homocysteinemia	71	甲基丙二酸血症	Methylmalonic Acidemia
23	先天性脊柱侧弯	Congenital Scoliosis	46	纯合子家族性胆固醇血症	Homozygous Hypercholesterolemia	72	线粒体肌病	Mitochondrial Encephalomyopathy
			47	亨廷顿舞蹈病	Huntington Disease	73	黏多糖贮积症	Mucopolysaccharidosis
			48	HHV8 综合征	Hyporanthinemia-Hypermononemia-Hhoma-rillaria Syndrome	74	多灶性运动神经元病	Multi-Focal Motor Neuropathy
			49	高丙酮酸血症	Hyperphenylalaninemia	75	多种酰辅酶 A 脱氢酶缺乏症	Multiple Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency
						76	多发性硬化	Multiple Sclerosis
						77	多系统萎缩	Multiple System Atrophy
						78	肌强直性营养不良	Myotonic Dystrophy
						79	N-乙酰葡萄糖胺合成酶缺乏症	NAGS Deficiency
						80	新生儿糖尿病	Neonatal Diabetes Mellitus
						81	视神经脊髓炎	Neuromyelitis Optica
						82	尼曼匹克病	Niemann-Pick Disease
						83	非综合征性耳聋	Non-Syndromic Deafness
						84	Noonan 综合征	Noonan Syndrome
						85	鸟氨酸氨甲酰基转移酶缺乏症	Ornithine Transcarbamylase Deficiency
						86	成骨不全症(脆骨病)	Osteogenesis Imperfecta (Brittle Bone Disease)
						87	帕金森病(青年型、早发型)	Parkinson Disease (Young-onset, Early-onset)
						88	特发性睡眠性血红蛋白尿	Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria
						89	费洛尼综合征	Patau-Jagers Syndrome
						90	苯丙酮尿症	Phenylketonuria
						91	POEMS 综合征	POEMS Syndrome
						92	卟啉病	Porphyria
						93	Prader-Willi 综合征	Prader-Willi Syndrome
						94	原发性联合免疫缺陷病	Primary Combined Immune Deficiency
						95	原发性遗传性肌张力不全	Primary Hereditary Dystonia
						96	原发性轻链淀粉样变	Primary Light Chain Amyloidosis
						97	进行性家族性肝内胆汁淤积症	Progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis
						98	进行性肌营养不良	Progressive Muscular Dystrophies
						99	丙酸血症	Propionic Acidemia
						100	肺泡蛋白沉积症	Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis
						101	肺囊性纤维化	Pulmonary Cystic Fibrosis
						102	视网膜色素变性	Retinitis Pigmentosa
						103	视网膜炎	Retinoblastoma
						104	重症先天性肌强直症	Severe Congenital Myotonia

A Nation-wide Medical Care System



**324 hospitals designated as the
Clinical Center of Rare Diseases**

**National (1) PUMCH
Provincial (32), Municipal (291)**

**Directed by the National Committee of Health
(equivalent to China Ministry of Health)**

Duties of Medical Care System

- 1. Screening and Primary Diagnosis**
- 2. Dual-Direction Referral of Undiagnosed Patients**
- 3. Long-term Clinical Management**
- 4. Consulting for Child-birth**
- 5. Report and Registry**
- 6. Priority for Orphan Drug Distribution**
- 7. Clinical Trials of Orphan Drugs**

National Rare Diseases Registry System

NRDRS National Rare Diseases Registry System of China

www.nrdrs.org.cn

Initiated from Dec, 2016



Supported by

- ① National Health Committee, China
- ② Ministry of Science and Technology, China
- ③ Peking Union Medical College Hospital
- ④ Total budget: 40,000,000 RMB

National Rare Diseases Registry System



Statistics

1. Over 30,000 Cases (Clinical + Bio samples)
2. Over 180 Disease Entities
3. > 150 Experts
4. > 50 Research Institutes



Long-term Goal

1. Phenotypic-Genomic Integrated Data Platform
2. Research Infrastructure for China and the World
3. Accurate Statistics of RD in China

Associations and Workforce Training



**The Rare Diseases Research Center of
Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences
(CAMS)**

**The Rare Diseases Society of the
Chinese Association of Research
Hospitals**

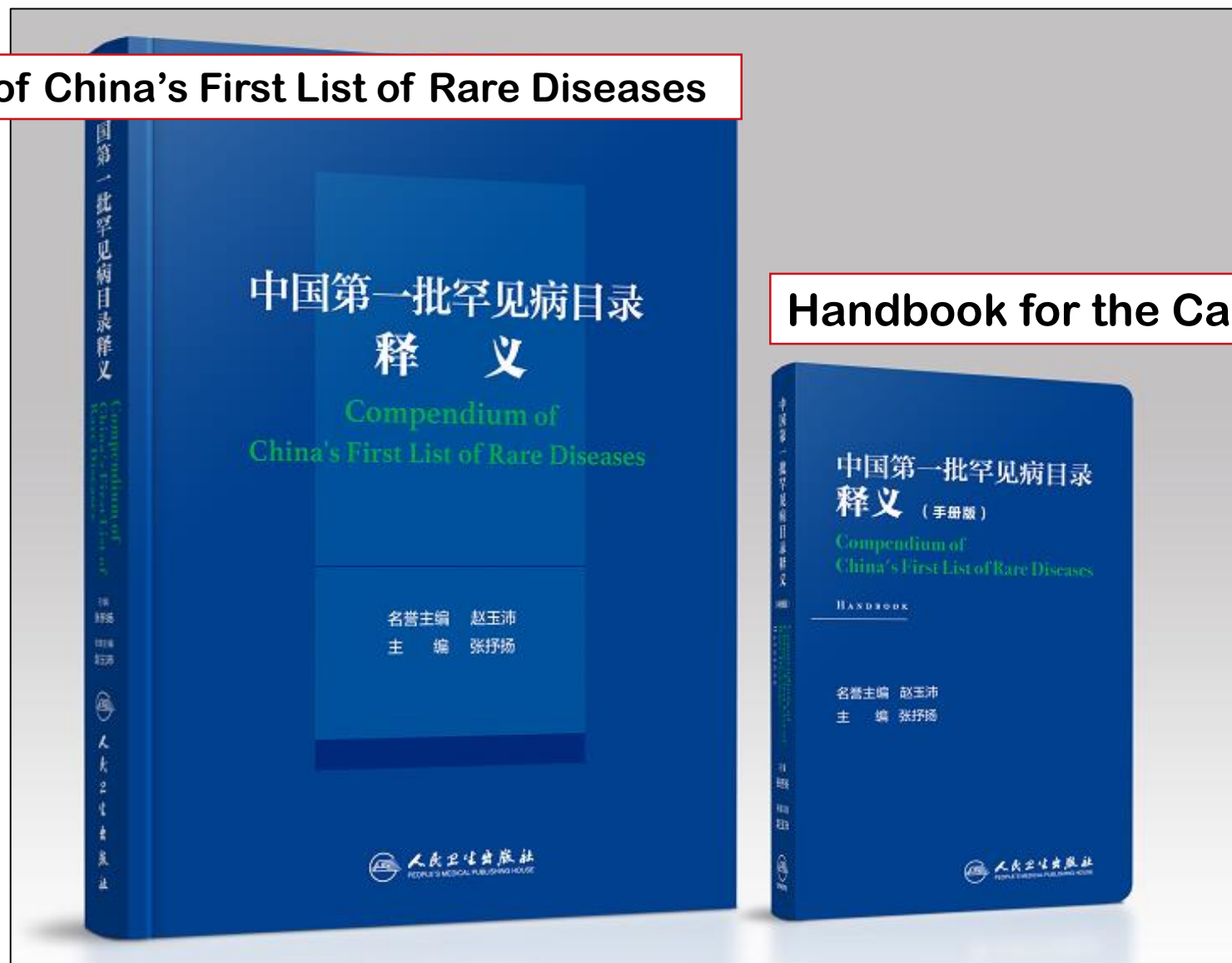
Provincial Rare Disease association

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| ① Beijing | ③ Shandong |
| ② Shanghai | ④ others |

**▼ Nation-wide Training of the Clinical
Care and Research of Rare Diseases**

Medical Education — Publication

Compendium of China's First List of Rare Diseases




Handbook for the Care of Rare Diseases

Publishing Special Issues on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs

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Human Gene Therapy




Special Issue: Chinese Gene and Cell Therapy Research

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National Rare Diseases Registry System of China and Related Cohort Studies: Vision and Roadmap

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Rare diseases are major challenges in healthcare and medical research and are the basis of national development strategies in many countries. However, inadequate definition of rare diseases and lags in orphan drug development in China hinder rare disease research. In response, the first National Rare Diseases Registry System of China (NRDRS) was established, and various cohort studies have been launched since 2016. More than 20 top academic institutions in China are currently participating in this joint effort to carry out nationwide registration of rare diseases. The primary objectives are to establish standardization for the registration platform, build biobanks of genomic data, and create partnerships for data sharing and research collaboration. Innovative informatics technologies have been implemented to develop the NRDRS, including employment of ontological and knowledge bases to render standardization and support standard of care. Development of informatics analysis tools will facilitate accurate and more efficient diagnoses for rare diseases. Long-term research collaboration is encouraged to create additional national rare disease networks for research translation and to benefit patients with rare diseases. The NRDRS of China and related cohort studies are anticipated to enlighten rare disease research significantly in China.

Keywords: rare diseases, patient registry, cohort study, medical informatics, genomics

INTRODUCTION

RARE DISEASES REPRESENT a large group of health-related entities without a universally recognized definition. The definition of rare diseases as a whole varies by country and according to specific socioeconomic circumstances. For example, the United States defines rare diseases as disorders affecting <200,000 individuals, while the European definition is diseases with a prevalence of <5/10,000 people.¹ Despite the low prevalence of a given rare disease, the overall population affected by rare diseases in general is strikingly large due to the great variety that exists. Thus, rare diseases substantially contribute to a high disease burden for patients, families, and communities around the world.^{2–4} Considering the vast population of China, disease burden can add up to an astronomical figure. It is estimated that >10,000,000 patients are affected with chromosomal disease syndromes,

while monogenic diseases affect >1,000,000 patients.⁵ Despite the heavy disease burden, rare diseases receive insufficient attention, resulting in significant lags in many aspects related to their research, understanding, and treatment.^{6,7} Hence, there is an urgent need for a national coordinated and collaborative rare disease research program.⁸

Advancements in genomic testing have helped to shed light on diagnosis and management of rare diseases. As the majority of rare diseases are genetic in origin,⁹ molecular genetic diagnostic techniques can play a critical role in this area. In addition to traditional genetic testing methods, high-throughput next-generation sequencing technology is being widely adopted and functions as a major tool in rare disease diagnosis and research.⁹ Transcriptomics and metabolomics data may be applied to address the diagnostic demands that are unmet by traditional enzymatic detection

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NATIONAL RARE DISEASES REGISTRY SYSTEM OF CHINA VISION AND ROADMAP

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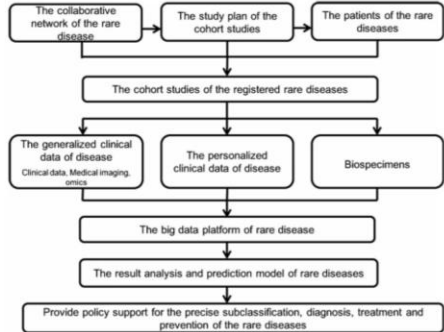


Figure 1. The general study plan of the cohort studies of the registered rare diseases. A total of 20 top academic institutions with expertise in rare diseases research set forth to establish the nationwide collaborative network, to make study plan of the cohort studies, and to initiate the registration for patients with rare diseases. Clinical data including imaging, omics, disease-specific data items, and biospecimen data are integrated to form the Big Data platform of rare diseases, allowing data analysis and development of prediction models for rare diseases. It is anticipated that the cohort studies will support policy making for the precise subclassification, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of rare diseases.

wide data retrieval from any satellite database; and (3) smooth data retrieval from various systems, including the registration platform, biobank management systems, hospital information systems, and electronic medical record management systems.

Validating the standardization by conducting multicenter retrospective cohort studies

Biomedical research facilitates precise diagnoses and early intervention, which promotes a longer life-span and better quality of life for patients. The shared rare diseases information platform of the NRDRS is expected to accelerate integration of clinical diagnosis and treatment information with the data and sample library of clinical cohort studies in order to identify an accurate approach to the diagnosis and treatment of rare diseases. Indeed, the study of a disease largely simplifies its diagnosis and makes early intervention possible, especially for rare diseases with common clinical manifestations.

The NRDRS plans to conduct cohort studies of 50,000 cases of at least 59 types of rare diseases. The list consists of cardiovascular, pulmonary, urinary, endocrinologic, metabolic, hematologic, neurologic, musculoskeletal, and dermatological diseases. For patients suspected of having one of the above-mentioned diseases, their clinical records and biological samples would also be integrated into the NRDRS database after obtaining informed consent. Detailed genomic analyses would be performed to identify disease-related genes, which provide data for the construction of a digital clinical phenotype and genotype evaluation model.

Category	Coverage
Clinical data	Identities, medical informed consent (MIC); General information (occupation, socioeconomic status, diet, exercise, and other general life-style, smoking and environmental factors, occupational exposure, etc.); Present and past medical history, marital history, and dietetic history; Physical examination, review of systems, health screening; Present and past medication; Other relevant information (social security, family and social care, employment status, medical accessibility, etc.)
Multimodal imaging data	Radiographic examination, computed tomography, magnetic resonance, nuclear medicine, molecular imaging, ultrasound, endoscopic imaging, histology and cytology, and other imaging or multimedia data
Multi-omics data	Standards of data validation and management on genetic and genomic data, as well as data generated from enzyme testing, molecular targets, transcriptomics, epigenomics, proteomics, immunology, metabolomics, etc.

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Other Medical Education programs

- **Translation of Gene Reviews into Chinese by NRDRS**
(7 million characters in total)

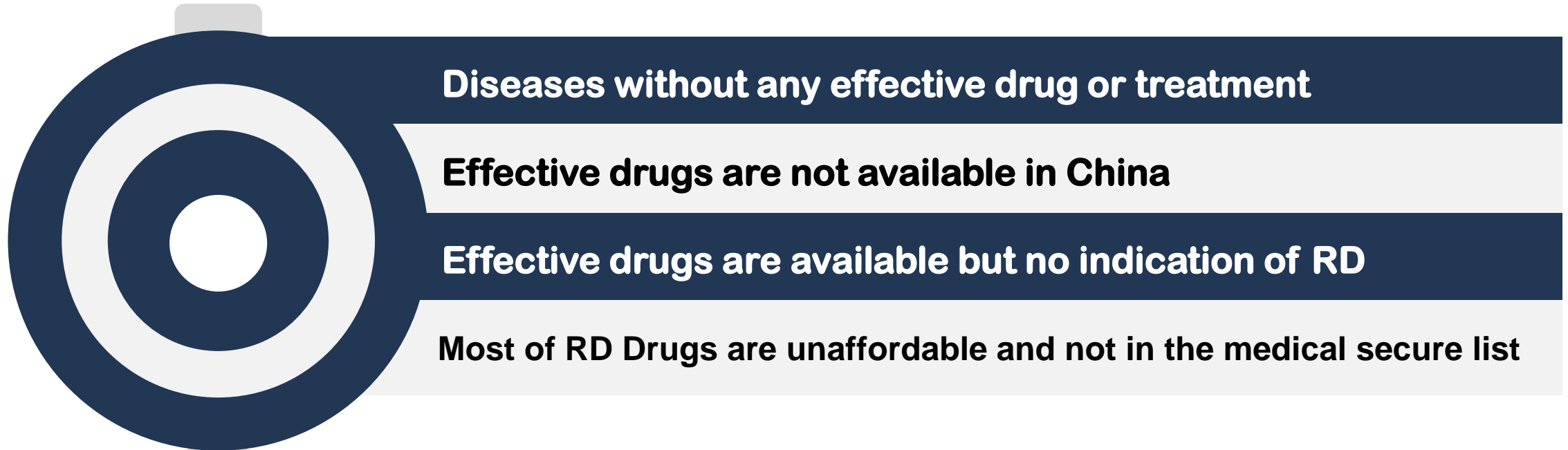


- **Initiation of the Textbook of Rare Diseases for graduate students**
- **Collaboration with different specialty societies for Continued Medical Education**



Cardiology
Nephrology
Neurology

Rare Disease Medication Dilemma



NEED TO IMPROVE:

- Orphan Drug Research and Development
- Approaches to Drug Import
- Clinical Trials
- Medical Insurance Policy



Prioritized Drug Approval Process

- 1. Fast-track for drug approval for the orphan drugs approved in the US, EU and Japan**
- 2. China has formed an approval process for orphan drugs in urgent need**
- 3. Criteria**
 - ① With indication for the entities enlisted in the First List of Rare Diseases
 - ② Drugs for severe and life-threatening conditions that has no effective therapeutic methods
 - ③ Drugs for severe and life-threatening conditions and those with significantly increased clinical benefit.
- 4. Approval Duration: 3-6 months**
- 5. Post-marketing Research requested for efficacy and safety evaluation**
- 6. The System of Health Technology Assessment (HTA/HEOR) for Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs**

Tax Reduction for Orphan Drugs

1. Announced on Feb 11th by Prime Minister Li Keqiang

2. Value-added tax 16% → 3% (80% Reduction)

3. 21 Orphan Drugs

4. March 1st 2019

5. Perspectives

- ① Reduction of the financial burden of patients
- ② Incentive for orphan drug pharmaceutical companies
- ③ Promotion of the social awareness of rare diseases and orphan drugs



Research Funding

1. National Key Science and Technology Research Program

- ① Rare Diseases Registry and Cohort Studies > 40m RMB
- ② Diagnostics Technologies Innovation > 20m RMB
- ③ Other related Diseases > 50m RMB

2. National Natural Science Foundation, Special Fund for Rare Diseases

3. Provincial Level Research Funding for Rare Diseases

- ①Beijing ②Shanghai ③Guangdong ④Zhejiang ⑤Shandong

4. Novel Drug Discovery and Development Program

Social Care and Charities

1. Regional Social Insurance Coverage

- ① Qingdao
- ② Shanghai
- ③ Beijing
- ④ others

2. Disability Care and Support

3. Rehabilitation and Enforcement of Employment

4. Prohibition and Prevention of Discrimination

5. Financial Support Program by Various Charities



Broad Involvement of Multiple Stakeholders



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China Alliance For Rare Diseases

Academic organization
Research Institute

Pharmaceutical enterprises

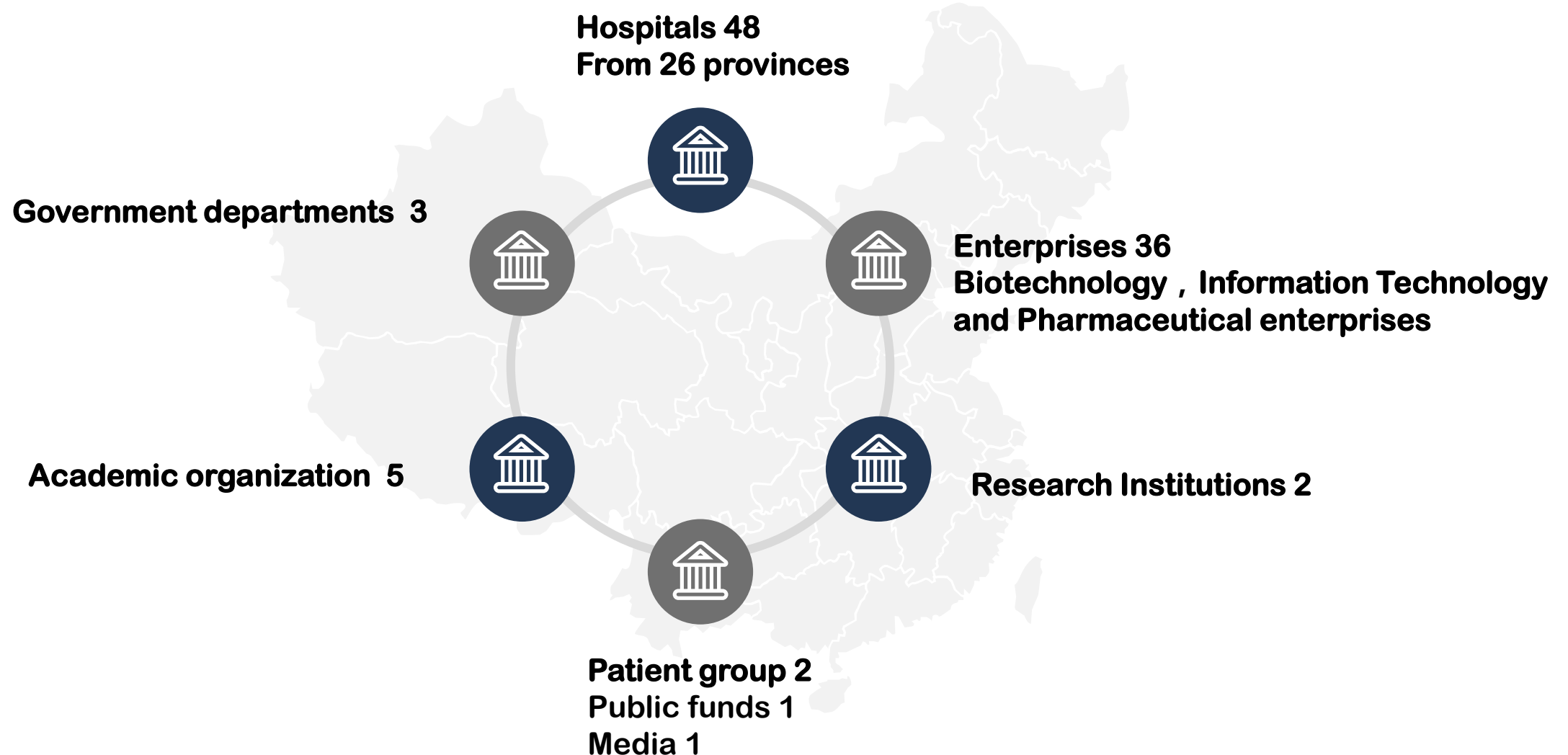
Hospital

Patient group
Public funds
Media publicity

Government



Members of China Alliance For Rare Diseases



Duties of China Alliance For Rare Diseases

Research on policy

Academic communication

Shared data platform

Standards for medical care



Rapid Product translation

Professional training

International cooperation

Social public service

Innovation of orphan drugs

Collaboration with International Communities

- ICORD
- Orphanet
- IRDiRC
- SNOMED International
- AMIA
- Broad Institute
- Yale University
- Weitzmann Institute of Science





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Rare Diseases & Orphan Drugs

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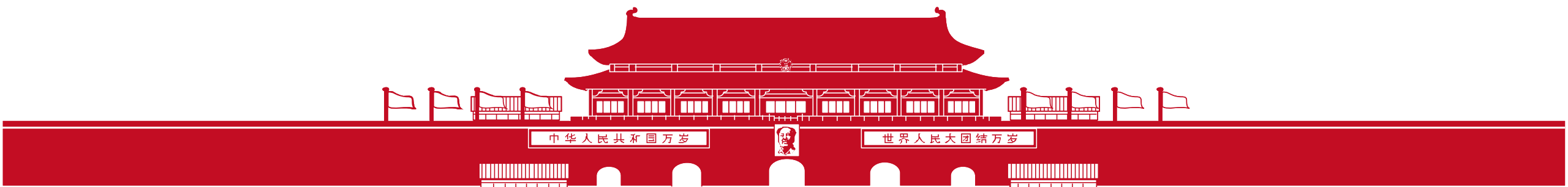
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NRDRS
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NATIONAL RARE DISEASES REGISTRY SYSTEM OF CHINA



RARE DISEASES IN CHINA: TOWARDS A BETTER AND FAIRER FUTURE





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