



Global Biopharmaceutical Industry Commitment to Address Coronavirus Public Health Crisis

As part of the global health community, biopharmaceutical companies are committed to playing the greatest possible role in the global response to COVID-19.

The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations (IFPMA) is the global association of the world's leading biopharmaceutical companies. Our members have a breadth of expertise (research, clinical development, manufacturing) that uniquely positions our industry to support the fight against the spread of COVID-19.

We have a strong sense of responsibility to act together, as well as in partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO), governments and health systems across the world in a concerted, collective response.

Already, our industry has responded on an unprecedented scale to the current pandemic

And here we commit to...

- rapidly screen the industry's vast libraries of medicines to identify potential treatments and undertake numerous clinical trials to test new and existing therapies.
- share real-time clinical trial data with governments and other companies around the world to advance the development of additional therapies.
- use our expertise and know-how to speed up the development of safe and effective vaccines to prevent COVID-19 in partnership with others.
- use our medical expertise to support global healthcare systems to manage the unprecedented increase in pressure they are experiencing.
- share tools and insights to test potential therapies and vaccines as well as to develop and scale up the capacity of diagnostics testing for COVID-19 patients as much as possible.
- increase our manufacturing capabilities and share available capacity to ramp up production once a successful vaccine or treatment is developed.
- work to secure continuity of supply for all essential medicines, vaccines, and diagnostics for patients with other life-threatening diseases, urging governments to implement policies and decisions that facilitate access for all those in need.

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About IFPMA

IFPMA represents the research-based pharmaceutical companies and associations across the globe. The research-based pharmaceutical industry's 2 million employees discover, develop, and deliver medicines and vaccines that improve the life of patients worldwide. Based in Geneva, IFPMA has official relations with the United Nations and contributes industry expertise to help the global health community find solutions that improve global health.

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