

FDA Broad Agency Announcement FY25 BsUFA III Regulatory Science Pilot Program



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The State of Biosimilars at FDA

*Approvals and Programs

59

Approved
Biosimilars to 17
Reference products

15

Interchangeable
biosimilars

38

Currently Marketed
to 10 different
reference products

98

BS development
programs for
55 reference
products

*As of September 6, 2024

Biosimilars have been used in
over 694 million days of patient
therapy

As a result....

Nearly 24 billion dollars in
savings since 2015

<https://accessiblemeds.org/resources/blog/2023-savings-report>



BsUFA III Regulatory Science Commitment

FDA is committed to enhancing regulatory decision-making and facilitating science-based recommendations in areas foundational to biosimilar development.

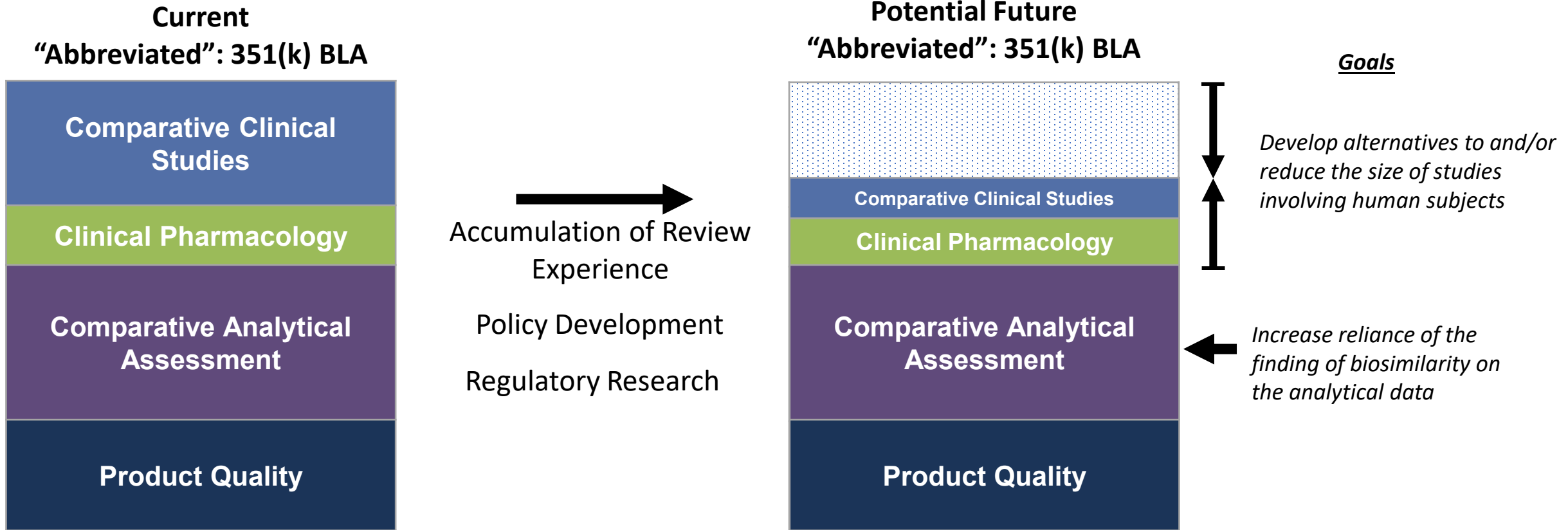
FDA will pilot a regulatory science program to facilitate ways to

- (1) improve the efficiency of biosimilar product development and
- (2) advance the development of interchangeable products

[Commitment Letter](#)



Regulatory Science Pilot Program Goals Focus on Composition of the 351 (k) Data Package



Regulatory Impact #1: Increase the reliance on analytical data in demonstration of biosimilarity

- a. Characterize relationships between product quality attributes (physiochemical or biological) with clinical performance
- b. Explore how modernization of analytical technologies could better and/or more efficiently detect relevant quality attributes
- c. Define best-practices for assessing and reporting quality attributes



Regulatory Impact #2: Develop alternatives to and/ or reduce the size of studies involving human participants

- d. Develop alternatives to the comparative clinical immunogenicity assessment(s)
- e. Define approaches that will increase feasibility of biosimilar development (e.g., PD biomarkers, modeling and simulation)
- f. Identify user interface differences that will likely lead to clinically meaningful differences in use error rates or use success rates

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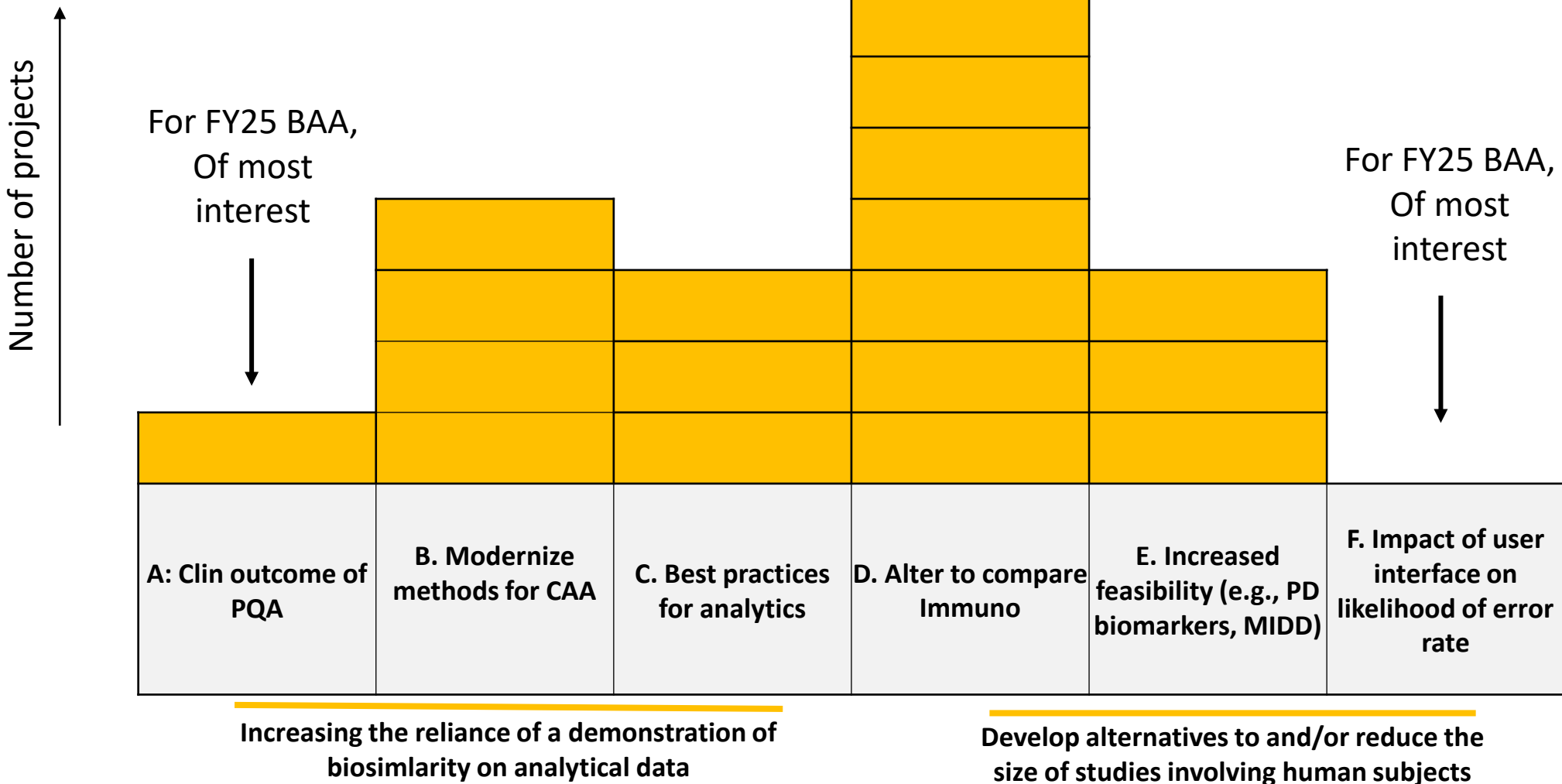
BAA Priority Area	BAA Topic	Research Priority – BsUFA Reg Sci Roadmap
<p style="text-align: center;">I. Modernize development and evaluation of FDA-regulated products</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A. Alternative Methods</p>	<p>2. Develop alternatives to and/or reduce the size of studies involving human participants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Develop alternatives to the comparative clinical immunogenicity assessment(s) ii. Define approaches that will increase feasibility of biosimilar development (e.g., PD biomarkers, modeling and simulation). (pg. 11)
	<p style="text-align: center;">C. Analytical & Computational Methods</p>	<p>1. Increase the reliance on analytical data in a demonstration of biosimilarity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Characterize relationships between product quality attributes (physiochemical or biological) with clinical performance ii. Explore how modernization of analytical technologies could better and/or more efficiently detect relevant quality attributes iii. Define best practices for assessing and reporting quality attributes <p>2. Develop alternatives to and/or reduce the size of studies involving human participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Develop alternatives to the comparative clinical immunogenicity assessment(s) ii. Define approaches that will increase feasibility of biosimilar development (e.g., PD biomarkers, modeling and simulation). (pg. 15-16)
	<p style="text-align: center;">H. Methods for Assessing Behavioral, Economic, or Human Factors</p>	<p>2. Develop alternatives to and/or reduce the size of studies involving human participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Identify user interface differences that will likely lead to clinically meaningful differences in use error rates or use success rates.(pg. 31)



Research Priorities Addressed by Awarded Project (n=19)



<https://www.fda.gov/media/162361/download?attachment>



Additional Information

For information, please reach to:

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Additional Resources:

- [Biosimilars | FDA](#)
- [Biosimilars | Science and Research | FDA](#)
- [BsUFA III Regulatory Science Pilot Program - 10/16/2023 | FDA](#)
- [Combined FY22-FY24 Regulatory Research Pilot Program Research Awards and Available Project Reports](#)

