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## Panel 3

Real-time Oncology Review: Streamlining Data Submissions and  
Ensuring Data Quality

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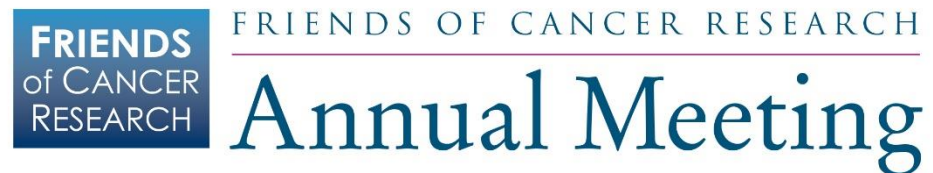
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# **FDA Oncology Center of Excellence Pilot Programs: Real-Time Oncology Review (RTOR) & Assessment Aid (AAid)**

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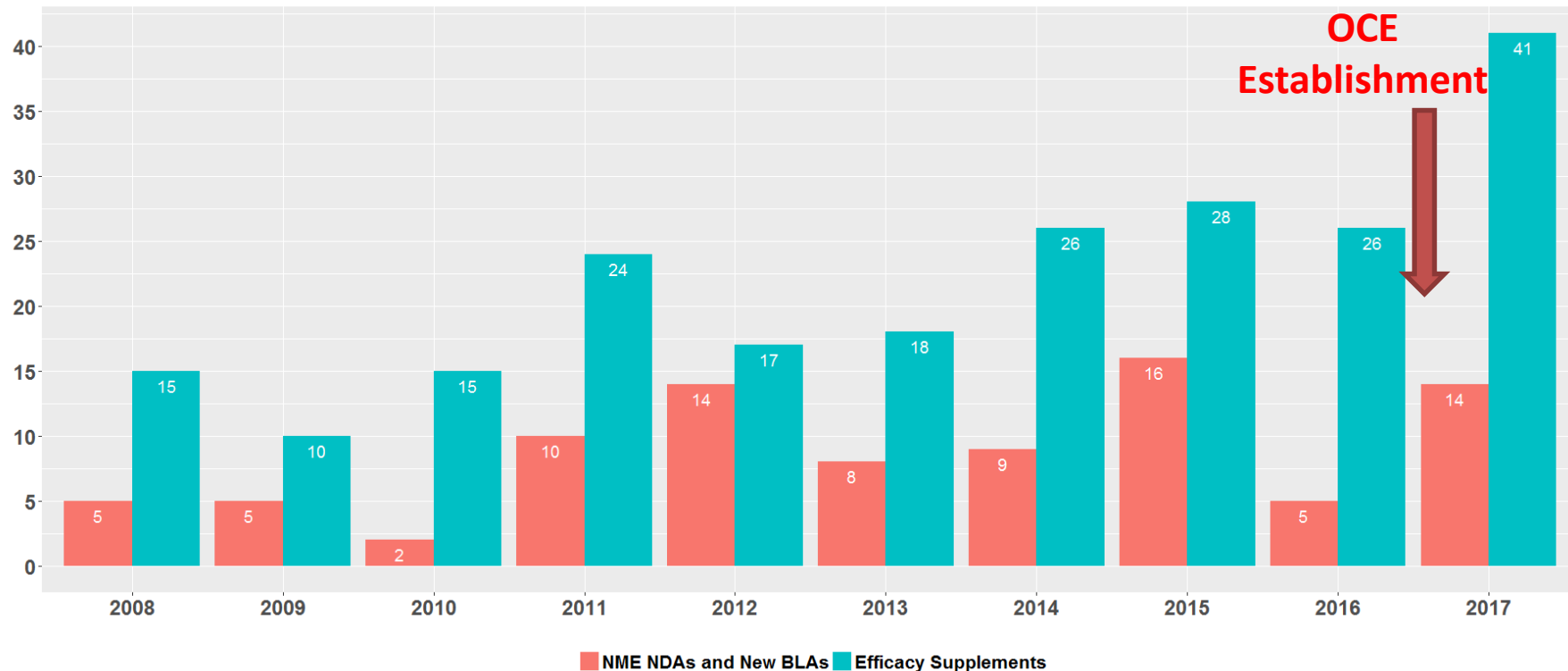
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# Advances in Anticancer Drug Development Calls for Innovation to Improve Regulatory Efficiency



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- 1. Real-Time Oncology Review (RTOR)**
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# Real-Time Oncology Review (RTOR)

## What Is It?

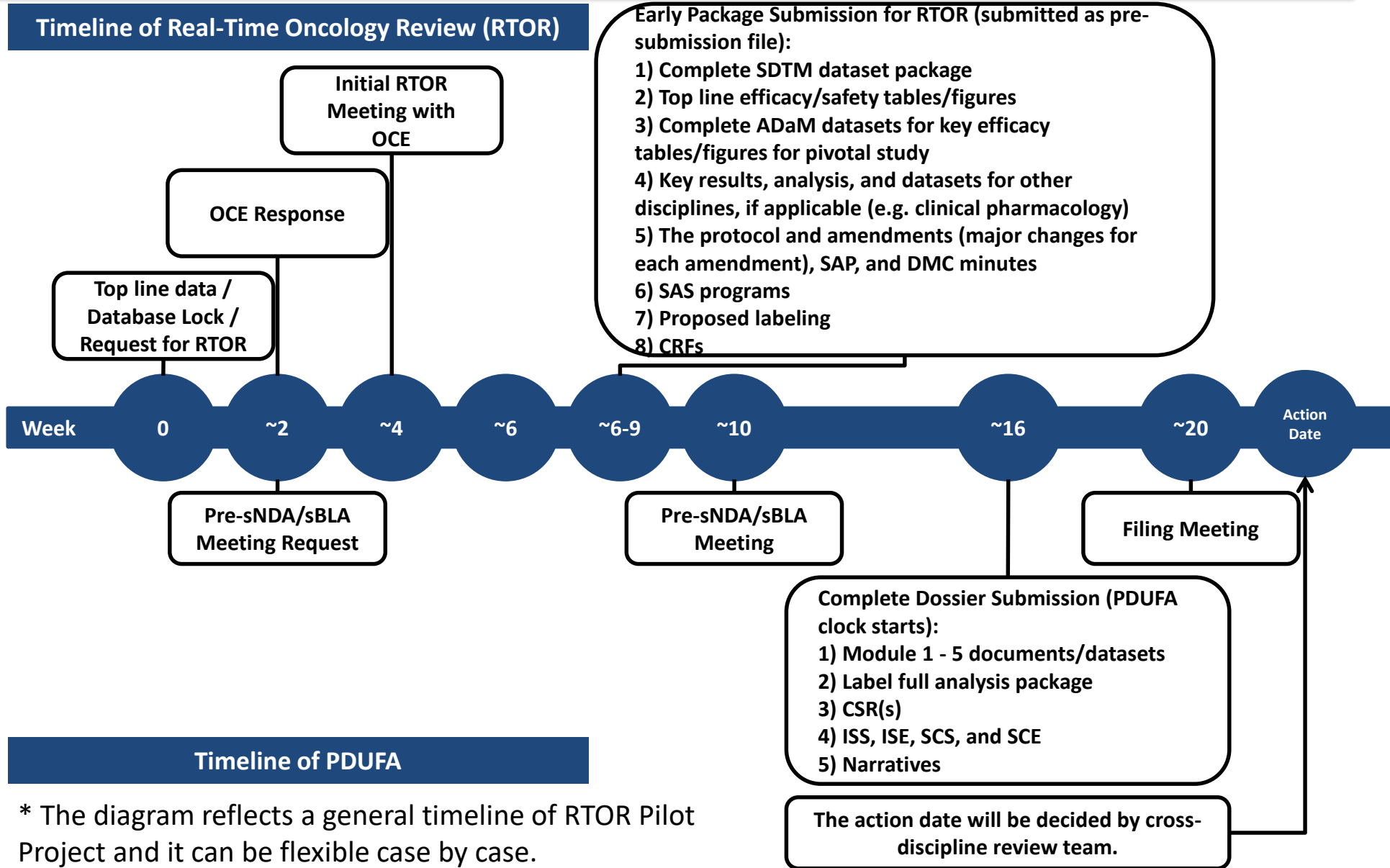
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- A pilot review process allowing for earlier review of data prior to full application submission and interactive engagement with the applicant
- RTOR is currently implemented only for supplemental NDAs and BLAs
  - Inclusion Criteria
    - Drugs participating in an expedited program
    - Straight-forward study designs
    - Endpoints that can be easily interpreted
  - Exclusion Criteria:
    - Studies conducted exclusively outside the United States
    - Supplements with CMC formulation changes
    - Submissions with companion diagnostics
  - Flexibility may be exercised at the discretion of the review division

- Problems
  - Lack of timely communication between the applicant and FDA can lead to issues in application submission
  - NDA/BLA submissions are not always “fit for purpose”
- Goals of RTOR
  1. Enable early interactive communication between applicants and FDA multi-disciplinary review teams
  2. Frontload some review activity and identify key regulatory issues prior to official application submission
  3. Explore a more effective review process while maintaining and improving review quality





\* The diagram reflects a general timeline of RTOR Pilot Project and it can be flexible case by case.

# Assessment Aid (AAid)

## What Is It?



- A voluntary submission from the applicant to facilitate FDA's assessment of the NDA/BLA application
- Developed based on the FDA Multidisciplinary Review Template
- For most issues, the sections are divided into 2 parts:
  - 1) The Applicant's Position
  - 2) The FDA's Assessment
    - ✓ Whether we agree with the applicant
    - ✓ What are our additional findings

An example:

**2.1. Analysis of Condition**

The Applicant's Position:  
[To the applicant: Insert text here.]

The FDA's Assessment:  
[FDA will complete this section.]

- The AAid serves as the FDA review document once completed

- The FDA's review should focus on assessment (critical thinking), not on repeating the applicant's analyses and statements
- The separation of the Applicant's positions and FDA's assessment clarifies:
  - the ownership of each statement
  - agreement/disagreement between the Applicant and the FDA

- The AAid can be used
  - for both NMEs and supplements
  - alone or together with RTOR
- The AAid template is sent to the applicant during IND stage
- The Applicant fills in their positions, and send back the document around the time of the NDA/BLA submission
- The FDA review team adds their assessment to the same document

# Pilot Cases

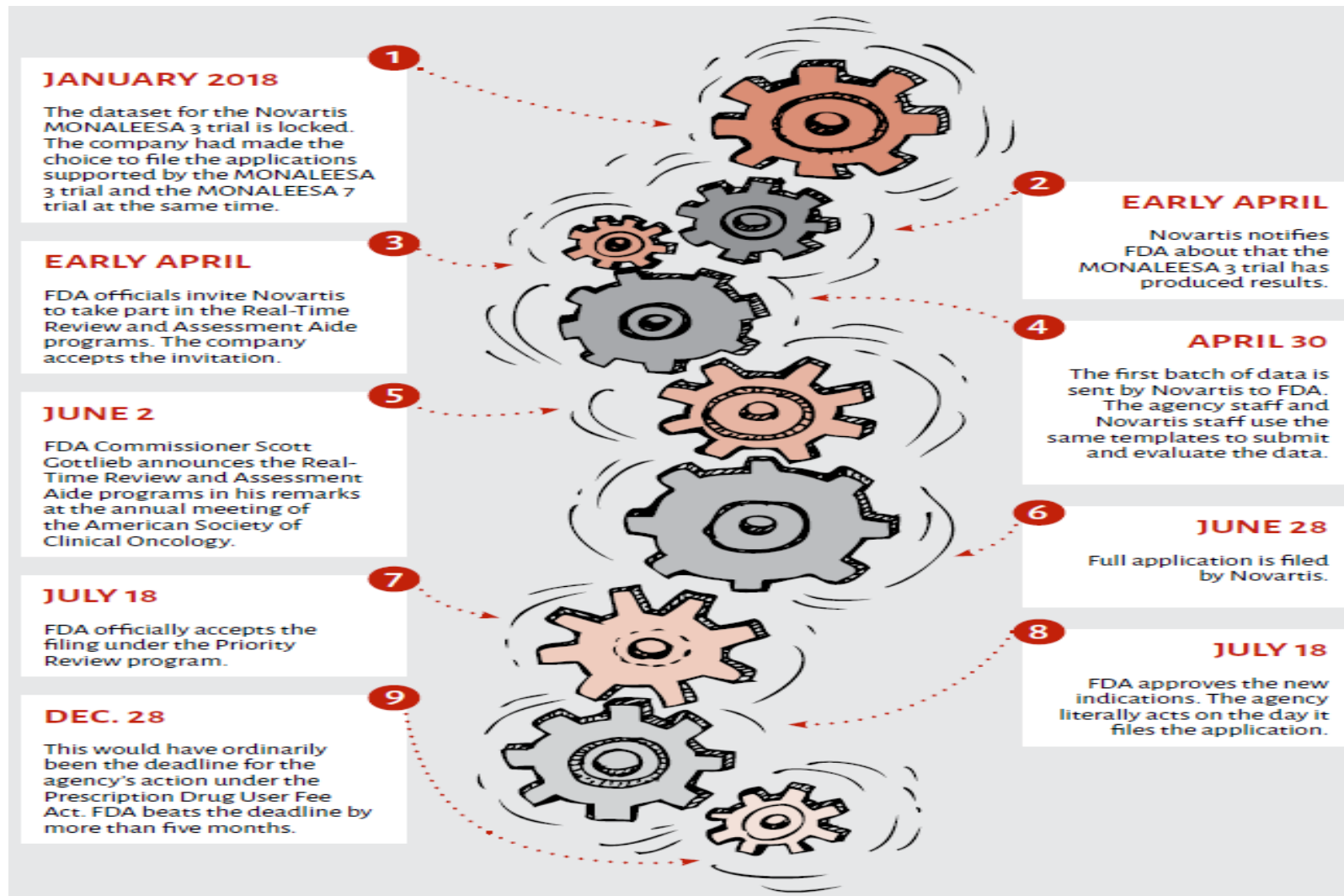
## Completed RTOR and AAid Pilot Projects



Drug Name	FDA Review Division	sNDA/sBLA Submission Date	Approval Action (PDUFA date)	RTOR	AAid
Ribociclib	DOP1	6/28/2018	7/18/2018 (12/28/2018)	√	√
Pembrolizumab	DOP2	3/23/2018	8/20/2018 (9/23/2018)	√	
Carfilzomib	DHP	8/24/2018	9/28/2018 (2/24/2019)	√	√

# Case Study

## Ribociclib Review/Approval



# Feedback Received

(from the FDA teams/the applicants who participated in the pilots)

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- Survey has been conducted with the FDA review teams
- Post action feedback meetings were held with the applicants
- Identified key to success:
  - Early engagement between the FDA and the applicants
    - The applicants need to change the preparation order of the different parts of the submission
  - Clear communication
    - FDA internal communication
      - Expectations and timelines
    - Communication between the FDA and the applicants
      - What type of information is needed, and when

# Preliminary Conclusions

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- The RTOR and AAid pilot programs can be used to improve review efficiency, while maintaining or improving review quality
- The RTOR and AAid pilots helped expedite patient access to new treatment options
- Early engagement and clear communication are critical for the success of the programs



## Further information at OCE website

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– RTOR:

<https://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/OfficeofMedicalProductsandTobacco/OCE/ucm612927.htm>

– AAid:

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