BACKGROUND AND MISSION
The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations is a global non-profit NGO representing the research-based biopharmaceutical industry. Its members are leading international companies as well as national and regional industry pharmaceutical associations covering developed and developing countries. The IFPMA supports a wide range of WHO technical activities, notably those relating to medicine efficacy, quality and safety.

AREAS OF INTEREST
- Medicines innovation: research and development, intellectual property, trade
- Quality and regulatory affairs: regulatory and scientific affairs, biologicals, counterfeit medicines, ethical promotion of medicines
- Global health: improving global health, providing access to quality health care

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES
IFPMA facilitates collaboration, dialogue and understanding among global health actors, fosters innovation, and promotes resilient regulatory systems for pharmaceutical products while maintaining high standards of ethical practice to ensure patient safety and accelerated development of medicines. Understanding the urgent needs of vaccines and treatment to new and emerging diseases, non-communicable diseases as well as neglected tropical diseases IFPMA improves access to medicines and vaccines through differential pricing, voluntary licencing, technology transfers and non-assert policies, while respecting the intellectual property rights of medicine developers.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF
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PUBLICATIONS
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