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*Clinical Evidence for Digital Medical Devices*

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# Digital transformation of Medicine

Driver towards patient-centric, data-driven, and evidence-based healthcare



**Medical information technology**



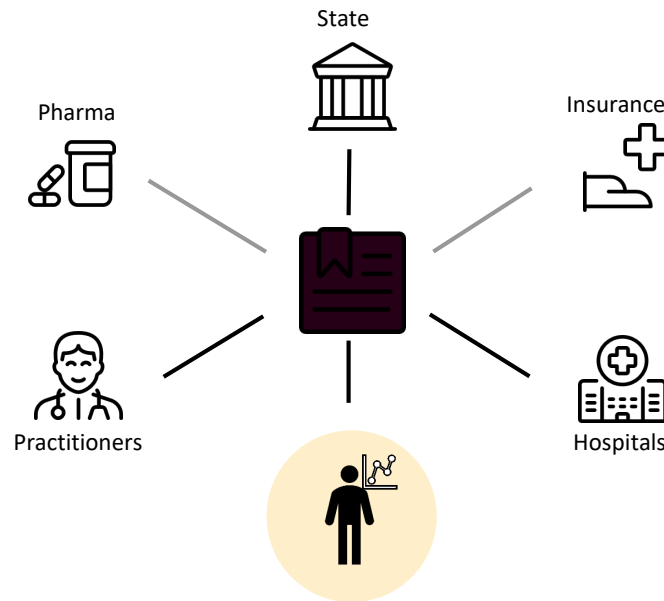
**Connected health**

- +** Availability
- +** Interoperability
- +** Security&Safety



**TRUST**

**DATA**  
**HealthTech Product**



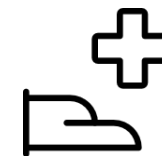
**Patient**

**Digital Medicine**



**Healthcare Application**  
(Digital Medical Devices – DMDs)

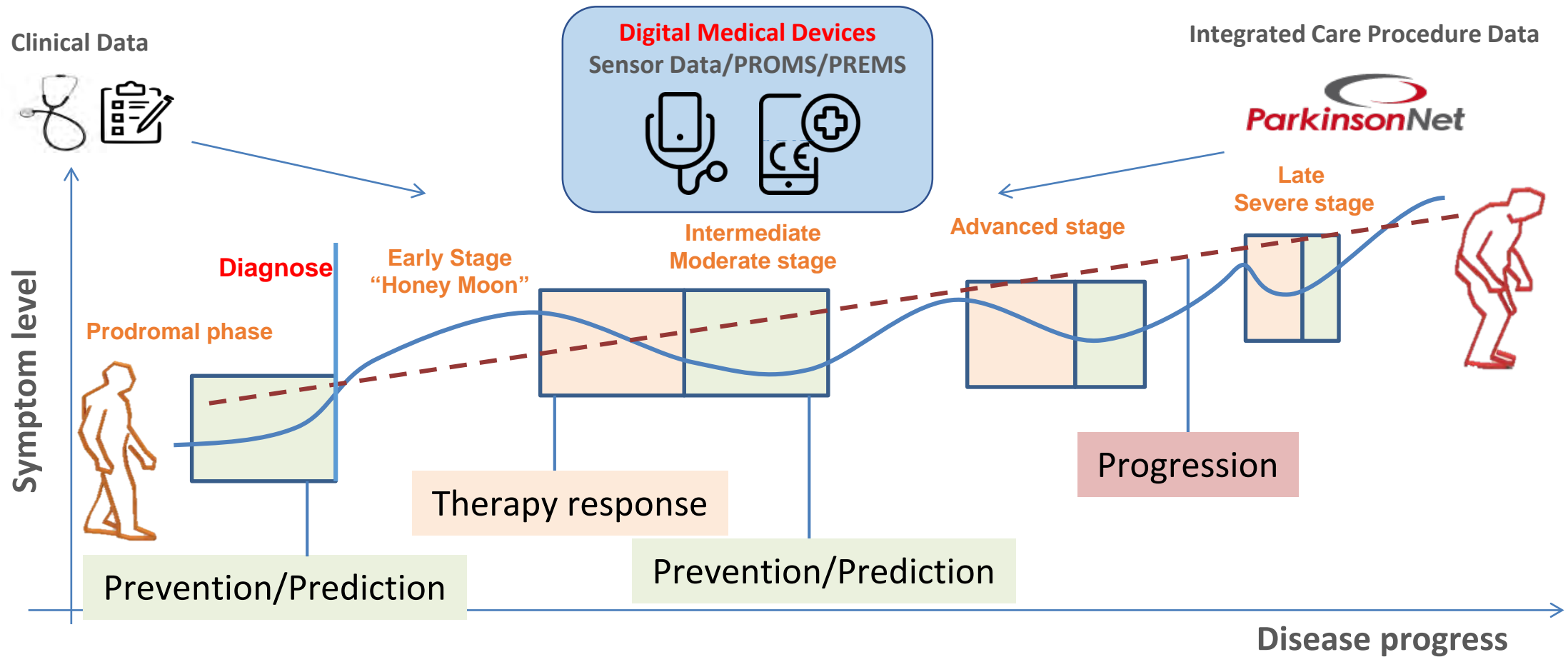
- +** Functionality
- +** Healthcare Services
- +** Evidence for Effectiveness



**VALUE**

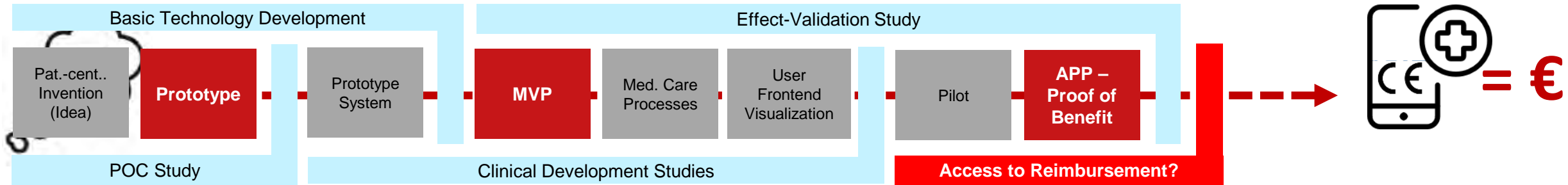
# Data-driven chronic disease management

Care Pathways for real-world evidence based digital medicine



# Translational Research in Digital Medicine

## From Innovation to Valorisation



Dr. Sensor



Algorithms



Data Management



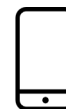
Clinical Study Center



Care Team



Tele Nurse



Engineering/Data Science

Medical Science

Population Health Science

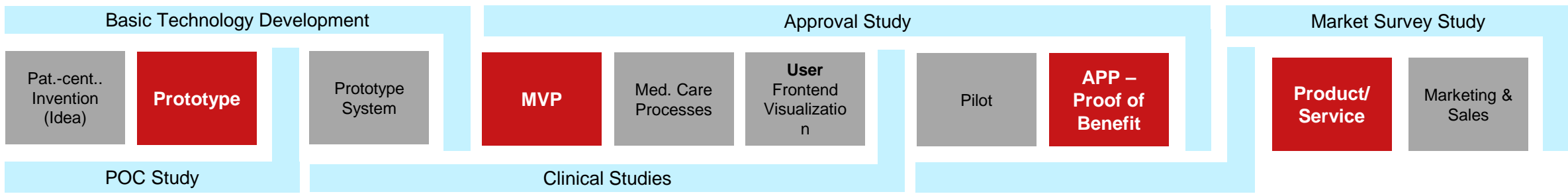
Technology Readiness

Health Functionality/Performance/Safety



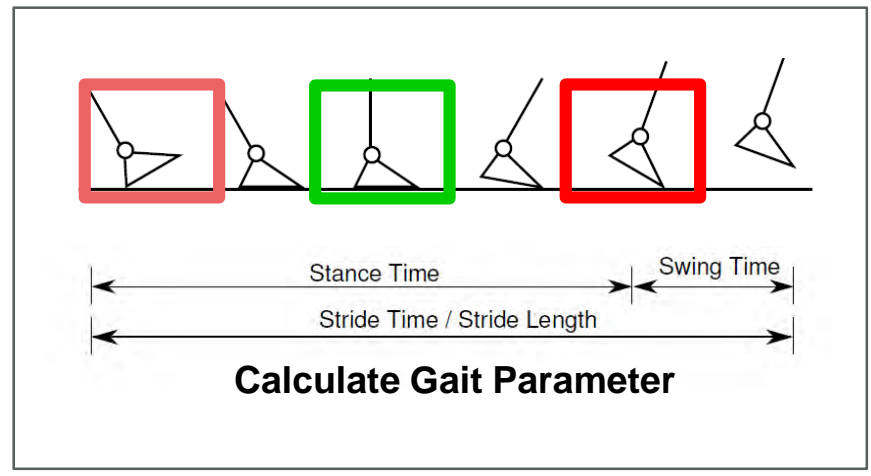
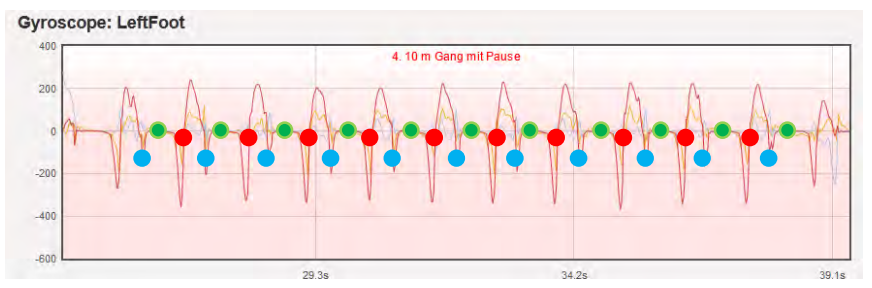
# DMD Development Model - Idea to Product

## Sensor-based gait analysis in Parkinson Disease

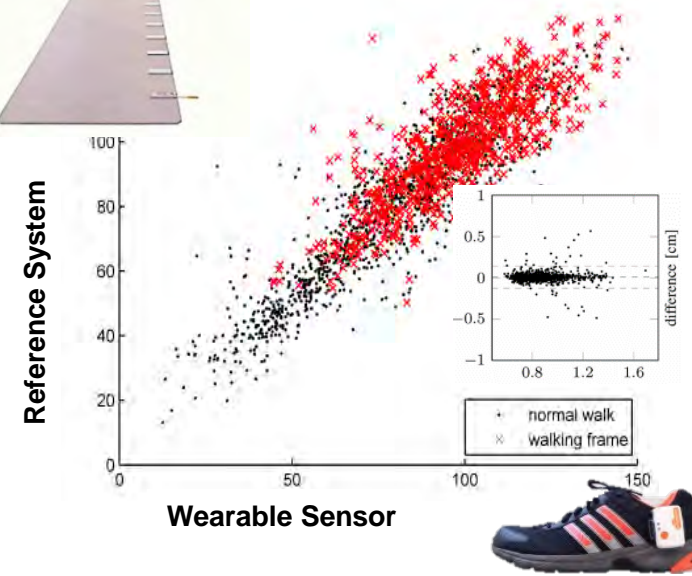


**Impact:** Performance/accuracy    Safety    Health Effects    Usability    Clinical effect    Efficiency    Adoption

**Research:**



**Stride Length validation**

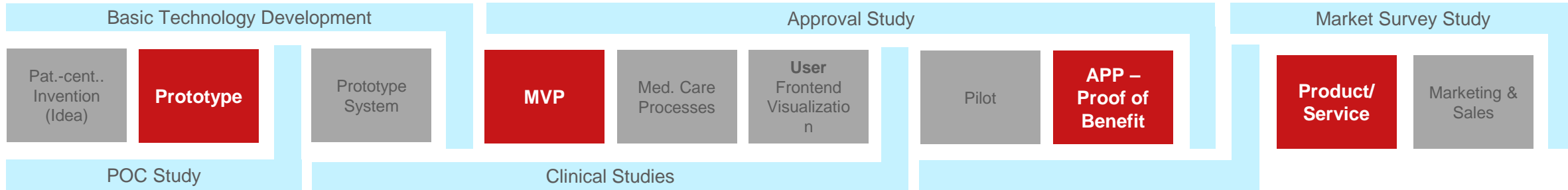


**Outcome Validity:**

**Technical / Criterion Validity**

# DMD Development Model - Idea to Product

Correlation to clinical symptom + Application in different clinical test paradigms



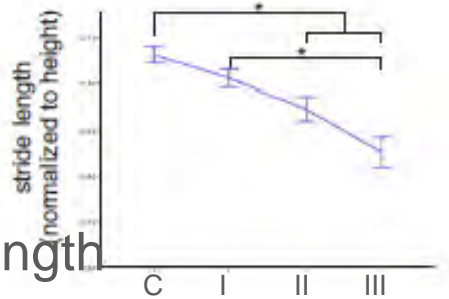
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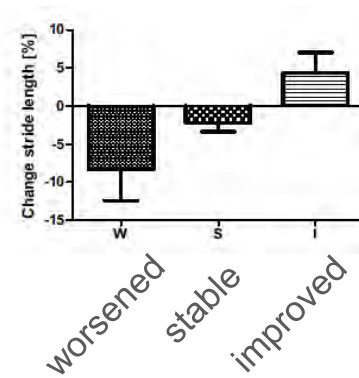


„Short Steps“

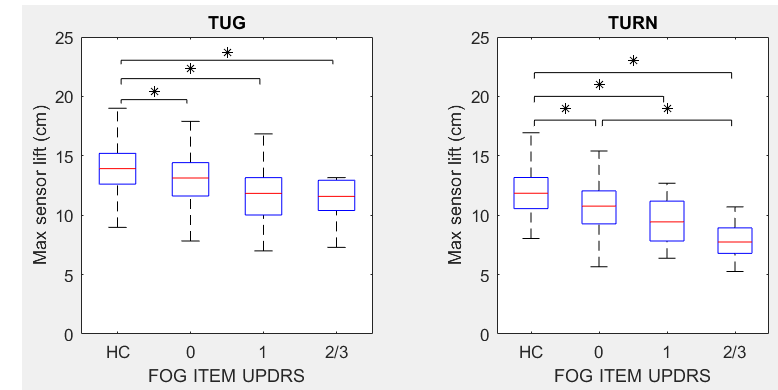
Correlation to Disease stage



Sensitivity to change



Test Paradigm - Application

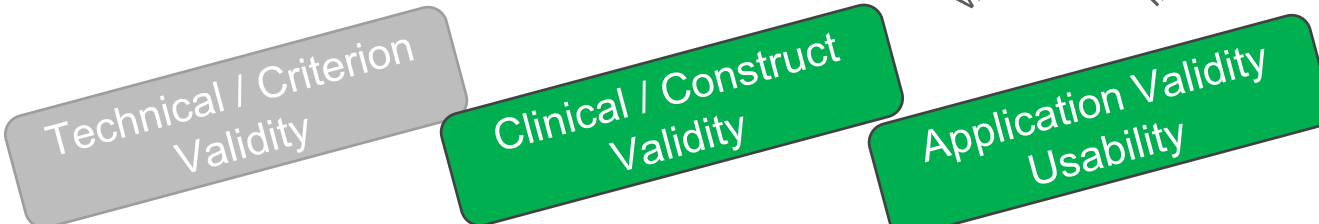


Lab Test: Timed-up&Go

3.5 m



**Outcome Validity:**



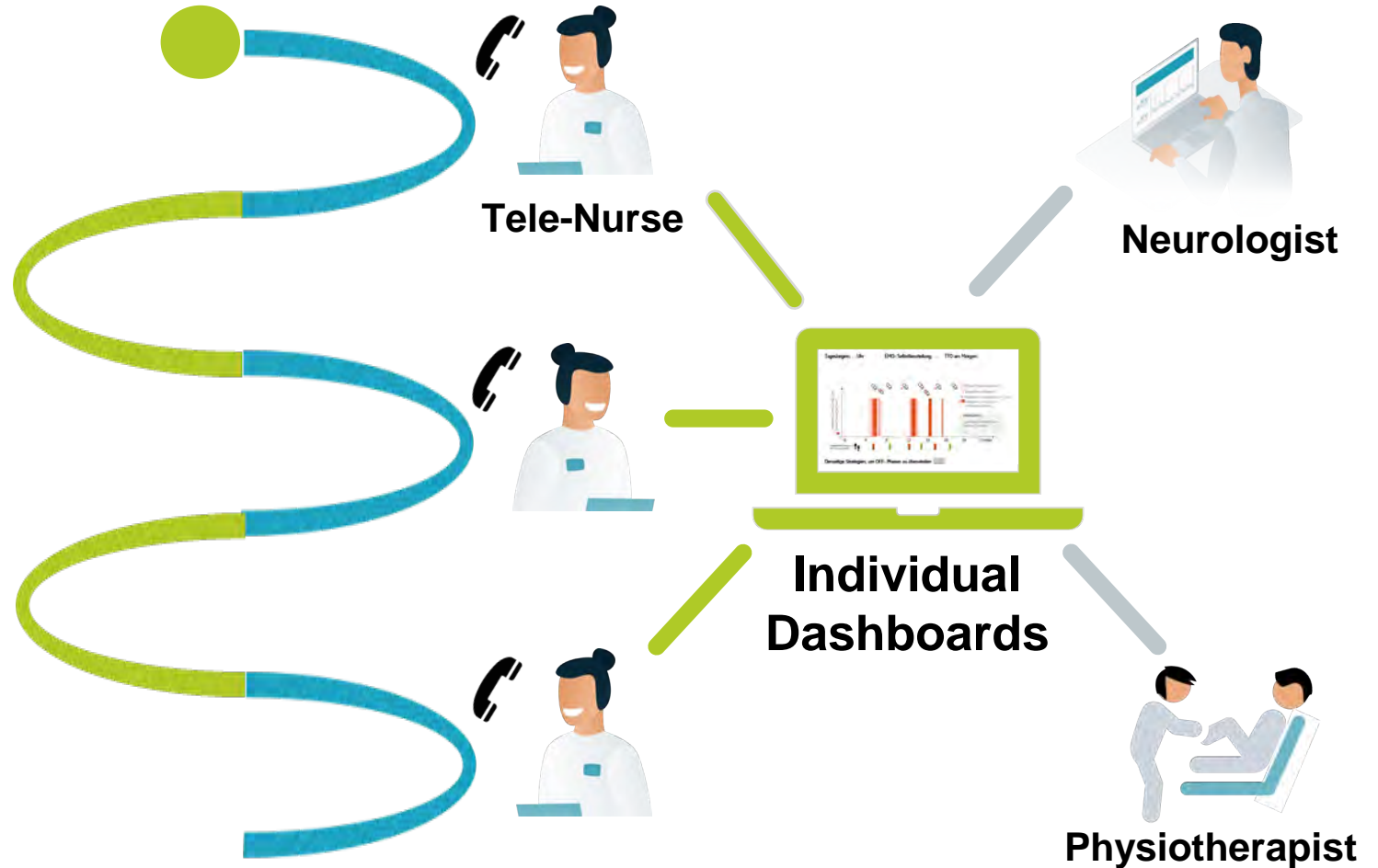
# PDnetGo – Managed Care and Self-Management

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**Patient involvement**

Care pathway



**Continuum of care**



# Digital Medical Service for Parkinson Patients and HCPs



Functional Components of the App – User Dashboards – Integrated Care Pathways

Patient

HCP

## Self management

### Medical history

Health status and biggest issues

### Diary

Mobility, Gait safety, General condition



**Continuous** gait parameters, activity, mobility

### Adaptive communication

Individualized feedback depending on symptom pattern/ gait parameters

**Short gait tests**  
Gait parameter

## Coaching & Education



### Training videos

Specific gait and movement instructions



### Individual hints

Recommended actions

### Knowledge library

Information and recommendations  
Symptom, Treatment  
Behavior

## Diagnostics, Monitoring & Clinical Decision Support

### Parameter Visualization

Gait Parameter, Activity Profiles, PROMS/PRESM

### AI-based Prediction

Diagnose, Progression, Treatment selection

### Care Management

Patient Communication  
Notification  
Tele-Nurse Service Support

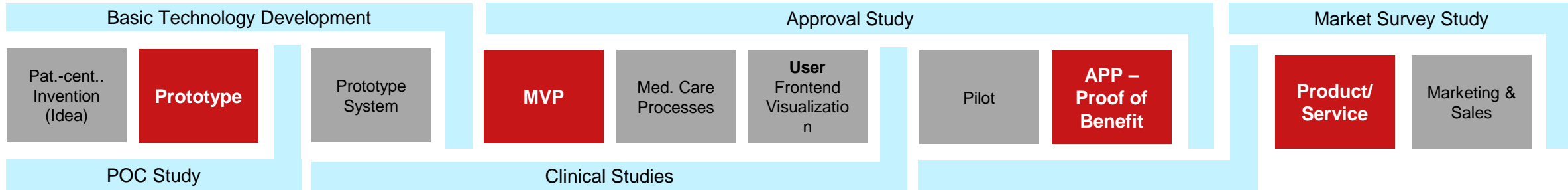


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# DMD Development model - idea to product

life-cycle related research & evidence validity



**Impact:** Performance/accuracy   Safety   Health Effects   Usability   Clinical effect   Efficiency   Adoption

**Research:**



Continuous gait monitoring

Standardized gait tests

Medication & symptoms

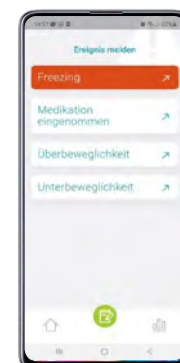
Patient diary

**Clinical studies for**  
=>DIGA

=>Telemonitoring

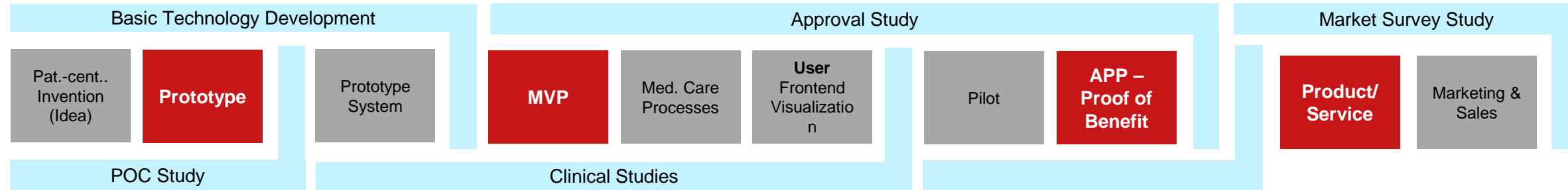
=> Care Service

**10 years development cycle**  
**Over 150 Publications**  
**Over 30 different Endpoints/outcomes**



# From Ideation to HealthTech Product

Development phases of DMDs – life-cycle related research & evidence validity



**Impact:** Performance/accuracy   Safety   Health Effects   Usability   Clinical effect   Efficiency   Adoption

**Research:**

Engineering/  
Data Science

Technology R&D

Medical correlation

Medical  
Science

Medical applicability

Socio-  
economic  
Science

Intervention

Acceptance&costs

**Outcome  
Validity:**

Technical / Criterion  
Validity

Clinical / Construct  
Validity

Application Validity  
Usability





Clinical effectiveness

Cost effectiveness

# Application types of digital medical devices (DMDs)

Digital = smart (not just a technical measurement device)



Category	Examples – Application Purpose	Beneficiary (direct)	Value/Service
<b>Digital Diagnostics</b>  	Wearable sensors / objective outcomes / PROMS Home-/Telemonitoring devices, imaging, multi-omics-parameter pattern Diagnostic/prognostic algorithms („AI“)	<b>Healthcare Provider</b>	Better information Clinical Decision Support <i>Precision/Accuracy</i>
<b>Digital Therapeutics</b>  	Interventional Functionality Digitale Gesundheitsanwendung (DiGA)	<b>Patient</b> <i>(caregiver)</i>	Medical benefit Treatment support Positive Healthcare Effects <i>Effectiveness</i>
<b>Digital Management</b>	Smart data-management platforms / component Patient-centered Personal Health Records (PHRs) interoperable to EHR from HCPs/3 <sup>rd</sup> parties Data-exchange spaces. (Telemedical platforms)	<b>HCP + Patients</b>	Communication improvement Data availability <i>Efficiency</i>
<b>Digital Analytics</b>	Registries data-driven research – big data, AI Dashboards (Corona-Dashboard)	<b>Patients + HCP</b> <b>Society</b> (public&private)	KnowHow, <i>Innovation</i> Acceptance <i>Quality, Benchmarking</i>

# DiGA: New „Positive Care Effects“ (Endpoints)

## Medical Benefits

1. the improvement of the state of health
2. the reduction of the duration of a disease
3. the prolongation of survival
4. an improvement in the quality of life

Methodology

Endpoints

Trial Design



# DiGA: New definition of „Positive Care Effects“(Endpoints)

## Patient-relevant improvement of structure and processes

1. coordination of treatment procedures
2. alignment of treatment with guidelines and recognized standards
3. adherence
4. facilitating access to care
5. patient safety
6. health literacy
7. patient autonomy – shared decision making
8. coping with illness-related difficulties in everyday life
9. reduction of therapy-related efforts and strains for patients and their relatives



**Challenge:**  
Methodology  
Endpoints  
Trial Design

# DMD National Regulatory & Assessment Frameworks



**DIGA**  
Fast track  
RMB



**Pecan**  
Fast Track  
RMB



**Mhealth**  
Pyramide  
RMB



**Mixed public/  
private approach**  
RMB



**Helsenorge.no**  
RMB



**Digi-HTA**  
No RMB

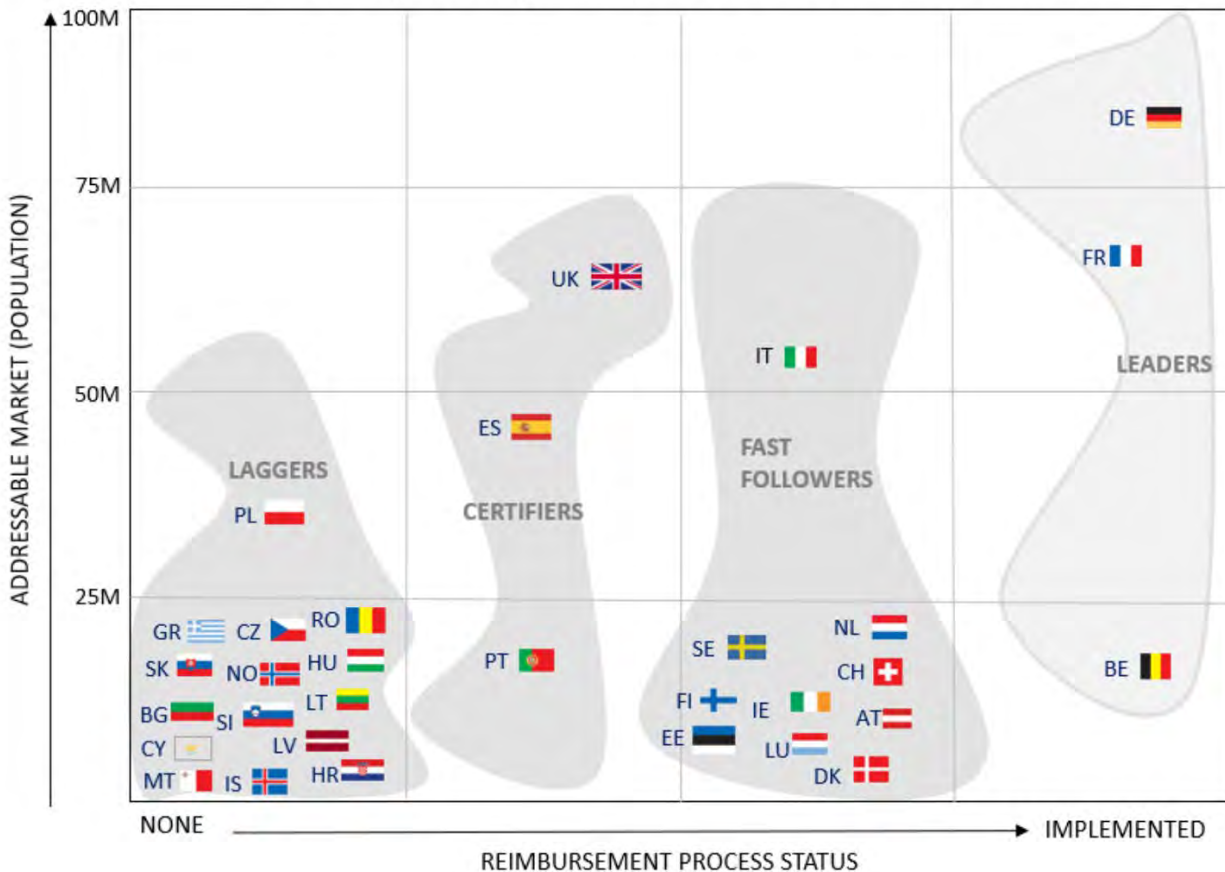


**SaMD**  
510k, pre-CERT



**NICE TIER-based**  
Approach  
No RMB

EU Country DIGA Implementation Status and Addressable Market



## Differences in

- Taxonomy, Nomenclature, Classification
- Assessment pathways & scope
- Reimbursement pathways
- Risk assessment schemes
- Evidence requirements
- Evaluation timelines
- ...



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# European Taskforce for Harmonised Evaluation of Digital Medical Devices (DMDs)

*DMD Evaluation Taskforce (EvalEUDMD)*



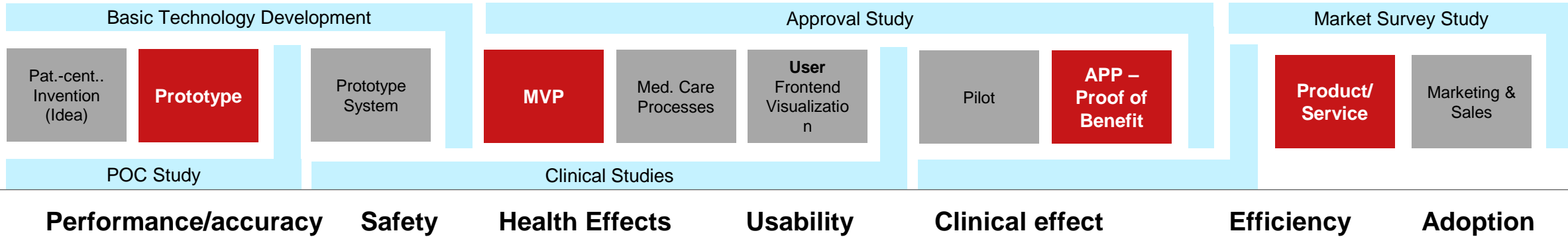


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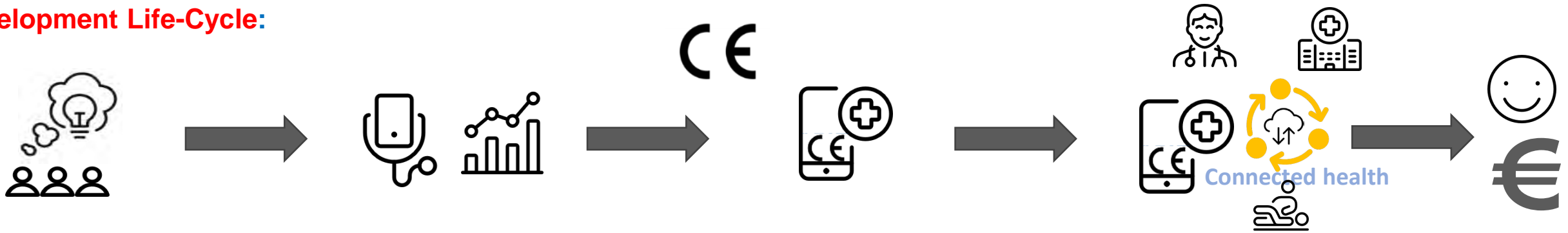
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# Evidence based Digital Medicine

Different type of evidence throughout the development life cycle of healthtech



## Development Life-Cycle:



Category	Outcome
Existing Outcomes	Accuracy
	Usability
New Outcomes	organization
	structure/proced. improve
Existing Outcomes	Safety
	Literacy
New Outcomes	patient autonomy
	shared decision
Existing Outcomes	Clinical effect
	Organization aspects
New Outcomes	Economic effect
	HCP acceptance

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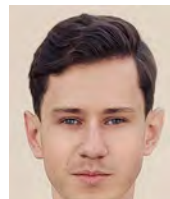
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