

# Why a CAAT Europe Policy Program?

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#### Why do you want to be in Brussels?







EU institutions are responsible for more than 80% national laws



## Who is Informing on Safety Testing at the EU level?

## WHERE IS

ACADEMIA???

### Why Informing on Safety Testing at the EU level?

- •MEPs, Staff & PO
  - Education
  - Political color
  - Personal values
  - Place of origin



#### Why do we need to communicate?











Policy makers are generalists!





## What is the message of the CAAT EU Policy Program?

#### There is space for improvement on safety testing





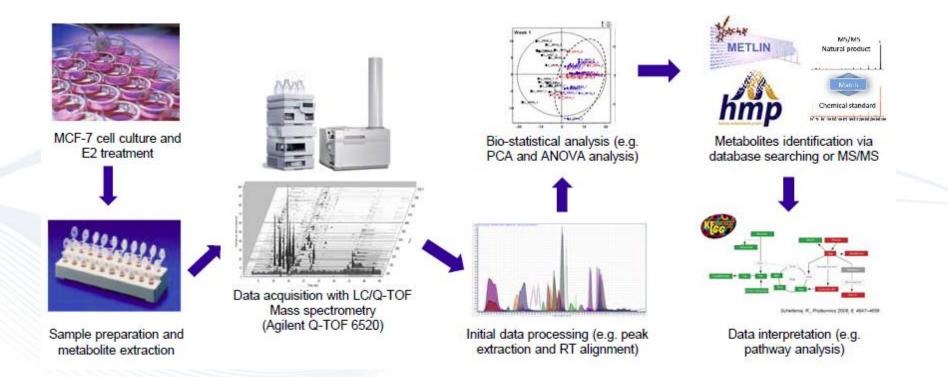
## What are the Benefits of a CAAT EU Policy Program?

- Europe has the laws but
   US has the tools
- Bridging transatlantic about Hazard/Risk assessment at the political levels = HARMONISATION





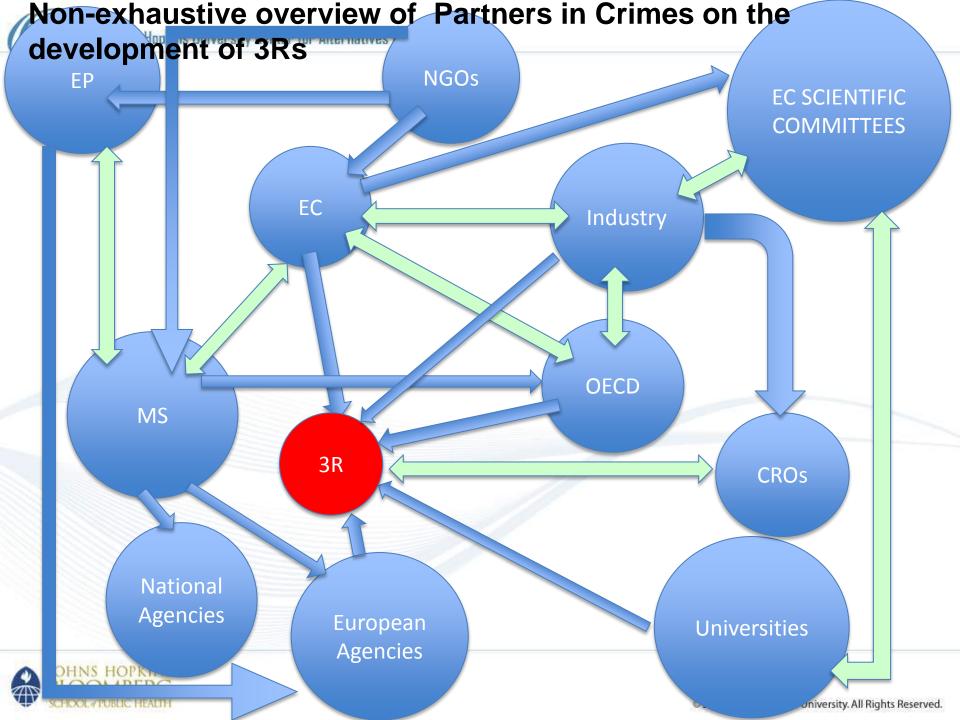
#### What is the context of the 3Rs at the EU level?



#### What is difficult in the message?

- Animal Alternative Testing is a NICHE
- Emotional topic to Rational topic
- •ONE must go beyond the scope = reshaping Reg. Tox => prospective tools for the highest level of protection for consumer protection and the environment
- •28 regulatory agencies

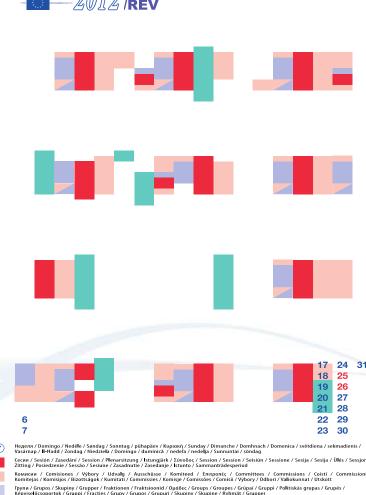




### The EU Parliament (2009-2014)

- Lisbon Treaty
- BXL and STB
- 27 MS for 23 OL
- 754 MEPs 502 Mio EU

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#### With Who Can You Have an Impact?





- •41-53 MEPs
- •"If you want something to be said, talk to an MEP, if you want something to be done, talk to an assistant..."



### How Can You Have an Impact?



























#### **CAAT EU Policy Program 12-13**

May 15<sup>th</sup>



June 22<sup>nd</sup>



Oct 10<sup>th</sup>



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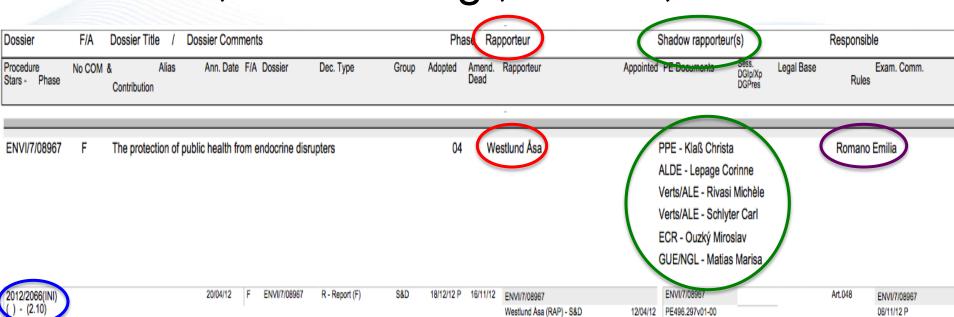




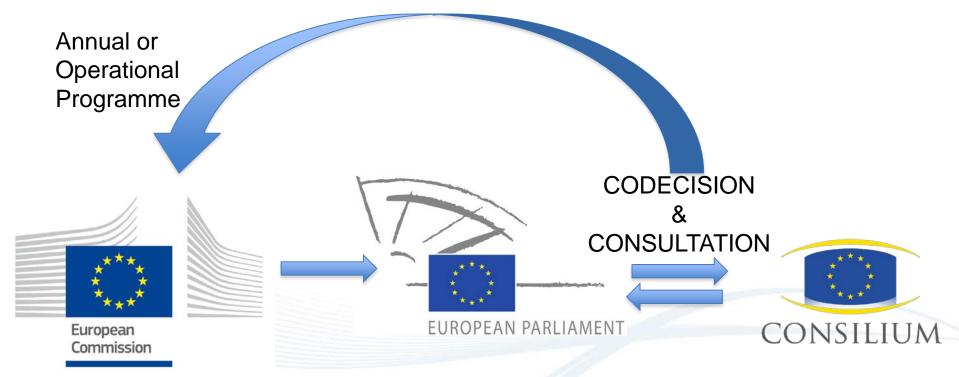


#### **How Do the MEPs Work?**

- 6 political groups
- Work is dispatched in Committees
  - •e.g. ENVI (69) or ITRE
  - •H2020, Cosm. Reg., Reach, EDC



#### **Decision Process – EU/MS**



Suggestions on the draft proposal

Rapporteurs, Shadows, assistants policy advisers EU Member States Perm. Rep. Ministries Presidency



#### Amendment 70

#### Proposal for a regulation Annex I – part I – point 2.1 – introductory paragraph

Text proposed by the Commission

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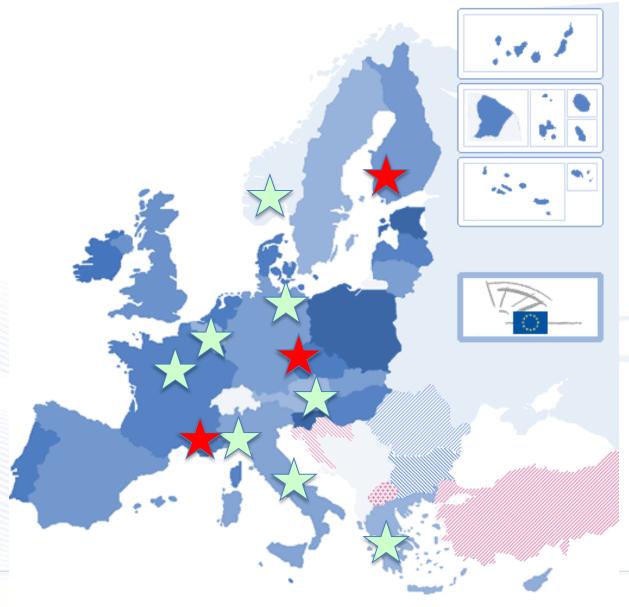
#### Amendment

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#### Promoting Collaborations



## What are the Limitations of a Policy Program?

- Turn-Over MEPs & Assistants
- •MEPs 'availability can be driven by:
  - Actualities / Agenda
  - Visibility / Opportunism / Reelection
- Political Weight
- Specialists & Content Provider



#### CAAT Policy Program in a nutshell

- Promote continuous dialogue
- Transatlantic Dimension
- Facilitator



#### **Future of Animal Testing?**



