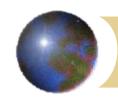


The Value and Need for Collaboration

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- Rarity
- International
- Collaboration
- Equity
- Expectations and Uncertainties

=> « Think Globally, Act Locally »



- Rare diseases and orphan medicines:
 - A global issue
 - Generate as many challenges as opportunities
 - Need to be recognised as a public health priority
 - Need strong long-term regional and national political commitment
 - Call for a global international perspective (awareness, outreach) and cooperation (inclusiveness, sharing, mutual support)