

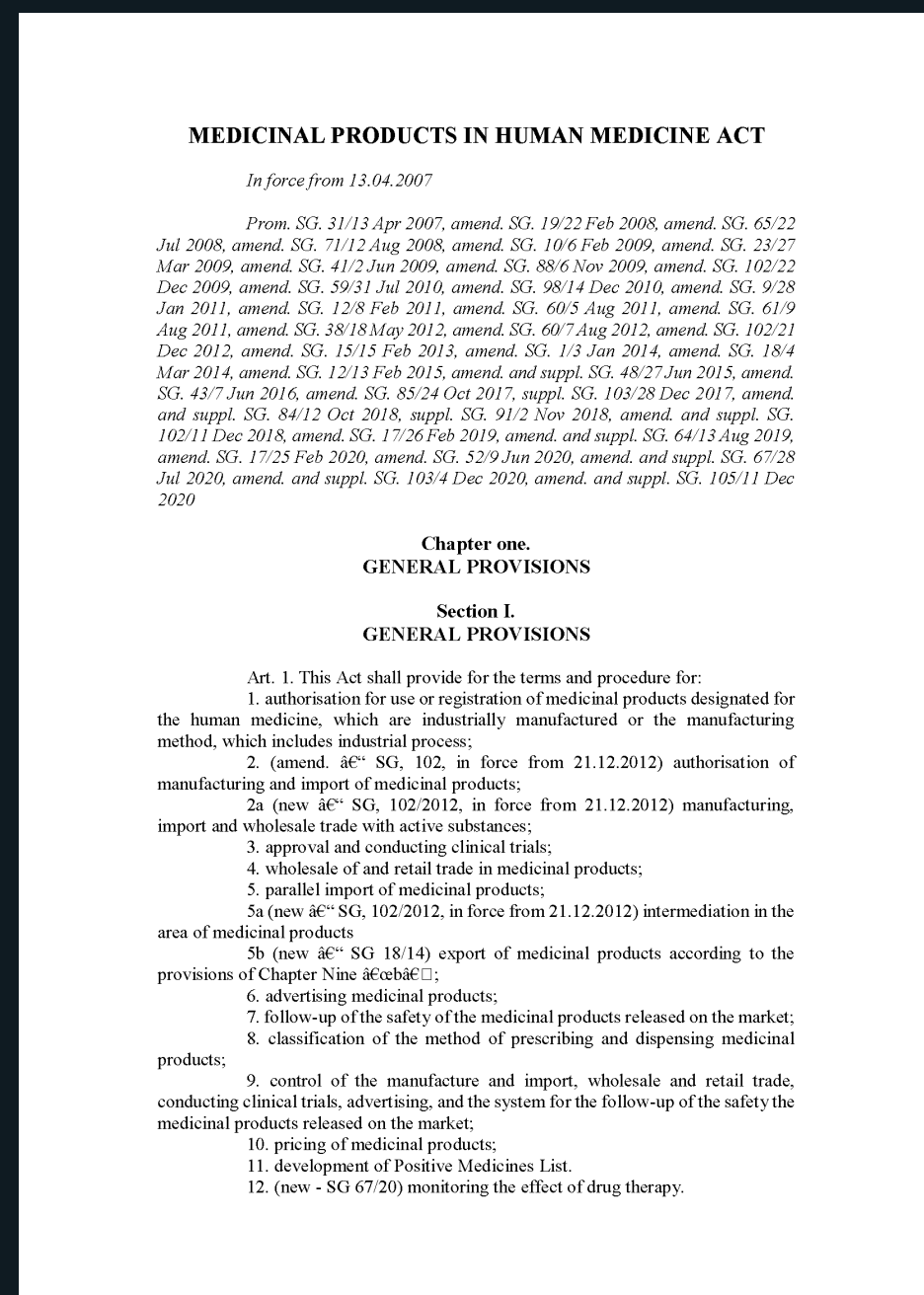
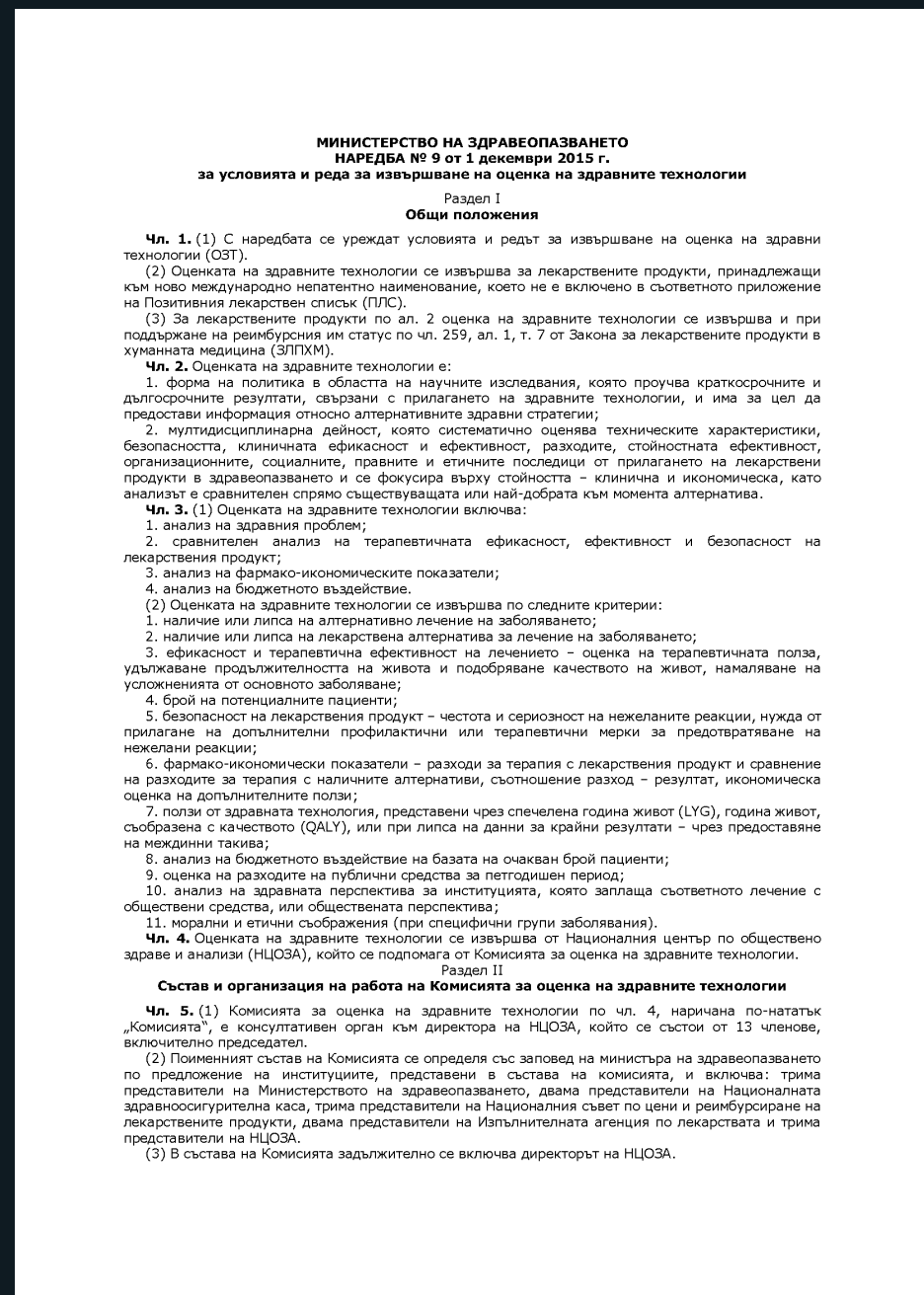
Delay of Innovative Oncology Treatments – Case From Bulgaria



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Introduction

In Bulgaria HTA was introduced in late 2015.



Aim of the study

To provide a better understanding of the timeliness of HTA processes by assessing the time to patient access to innovative oncology therapies in Bulgaria

Methods

Time period: 1 Jan 2016 to 31 Dec 2021

Outcomes of HTA appraisals and supplementary documents issued and uploaded on website of the National Council on Prices and Reimbursement of Medicinal Products (NCPRMP) were identified. The HTA appraisals for oncology drugs were selected.

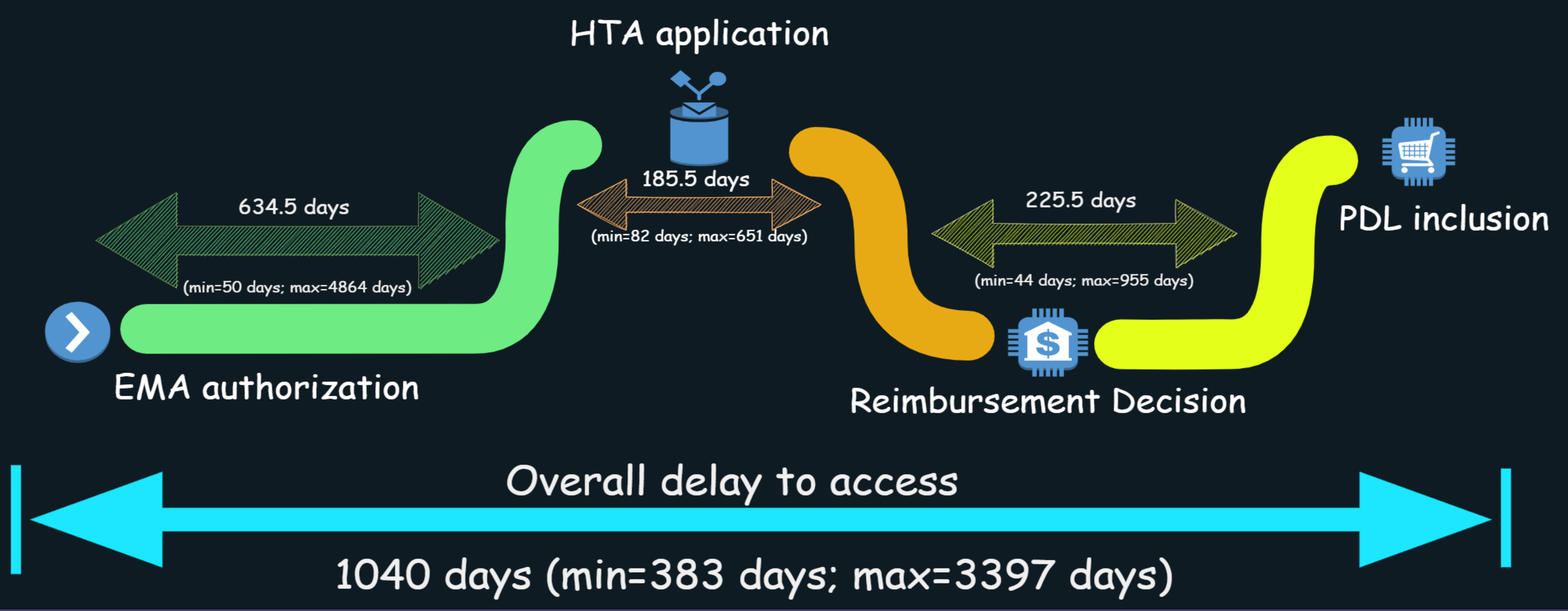
EMA marketing authorization information was reviewed and included.



Results

	152 HTA dossiers		42 drugs		48 indications		3 negative recommendations for PDL inclusion
	52 HTA dossiers in ONCOLOGY		2 diagnostic kits		2 indications with 2 appraisals		
	3 reassessed HTA dossiers (with negative initial appraisal)						

Breast / Ovarian / Prostate Cancer			Lung Cancer	Leukemia	Melanoma	Multiple myeloma	Other
7 (14%) / 3 (6%) / 2 (4%)			9 (18%)	9 (18%)	4 (8%)	4 (8%)	12 (24%)



Conclusions

Positive HTA recommendations facilitate market access of innovative drugs. In Bulgaria, part of the observed delay in patient access is induced by legislative barriers – finalized HTA process and positive recommendations in UK, France, Germany, and Sweden.