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POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR TIERED PRICING TO IMPROVE ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY OF MEDICINES IN LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES

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Introduction: Study Objective & Acknowledgments

Study Objective, Design & Sponsorship

<u>Objective</u>

- Develop a global framework for differential pricing that improves access and affordability of medicines
- Achieve greater equity in health (today), while preserving incentives for research and development of new and innovative medicines (tomorrow)

<u>Design</u>

- Conceptual framework for differential pricing and market segmentation at both global and country level
- Model based on a multi-dimensional approach; Key parameters:
 - Socio-economic status and national income level (e.g. GDP)
 - Health systems development and out-of-pocket expenditure
 - Reward of medical innovation thru product value assessment

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• Author received financial support from Johnson and Johnson (J&J) Pharmaceuticals division

Publication

- Study results presented to an academic advisory panel and J&J's Global Market Access Team
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Part I Differential Pricing in the Context of Access to Medicines





Reconciling Market Access and Pharmaceutical Innovation

In Search of **A Sustainable Solution**

Access to medicines implies striving towards better access to medicines **available today** as well as to medicines that might be **available tomorrow**.

Reconciling Market Access and Pharmaceutical Innovation



Differential & Equitable Pricing

Adapting pharmaceutical prices to the purchasing power of consumers in different geographical or socio-economic segments

WIN-WIN

DIFFERENTIAL PRICING

Differential or tiered pricing is a commercial practice to adjust prices to assure availability of products in different countries or market segments with uneven buying power

GLOBAL

BUSINESS

EQUITABLE PRICING

Equitable pricing is a welfare economics and social development driven pricing mechanism intended to lower financial barriers to essential product access

SOCIAL

WELFARE

Differential Pricing for Pharmaceuticals

- Pharmaceuticals characterized by high fixed costs (R&D); fixed costs absorbed by richer segment
- Profit maximizing strategy if markets can be segregated no 'leakage' possible between market segments
- Industry wary of experimenting with lowering prices in low-income markets due to fear of eroding profit margins in higher income countries



Part II Building A Framework for Differential Pricing

Simulation Based on National Income

Using Non-Linear Calibration



Simulation Based on National Income Adjusted for Human Development Index



Simulation Based on National Income Adjusted for Human Development Index



Simulation Based on National Income Convergence of Wealth Over Time in Emerging Economies



Source: Planet Strategy Group; Raw data on economic growth projections PwC, 2011; Data on World Population Prospects, United Nations, 2008

Part III Opportunities for Intra-Country Equitable Pricing

Two-Dimensional Mapping Focus on Low- and Middle Income Countries



High Opportunity for Tiered Pricing Focus on Low- and Middle Income Countries



Part IV Creating an Enabling Environment for Differential Pricing

Creating an Enabling Environment for Differential Pricing

Pandemics: Business as Usual?

Tropical Diseases: Extra Stimuli International Trade Regulations

National Authorities & World Trade Organizations to Stimulate 'Enablers' & Mitigate 'Disablers'

> Pooled Procurement across Countries

Parallel Trade Re-Importation

> Price Referencing Virtual Arbitrage

Conclusions

 Adapting prices of pharmaceuticals to the purchasing power of consumers in different geographical or socio-economic segments provides an effective way to improve the access to and affordability of life-saving medicines.

• A differential pricing framework facilitates better and faster access to medicines (today) while preserving incentives for research and development of new medicines addressing unmet medical needs (tomorrow).

 Governments of industrialized and developing countries - together with supra-national agencies - should create an enabling environment by endorsing public policies that facilitate implementation of differential pricing.

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Two-Dimensional Mapping Focus on Low- and Middle Income Countries

THE MULTIDEMENSIONAL POVERTY INDEX (MPI)

Enables identification of concomitant deprivation within households, and the clustering of deprivations in different countries.

$MPI = A \times H$

H= Headcount or proportion of the population who are poor (incidence)
A = Average proportion of weighted indications (health, sanitation, education) in which households are deprived (intensity)

THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS CHANNEL INDEX (HSCI)

Out-of-pocket health care expenditure as % of total health expenditure. Measure of how poorly health systems are developed.

$HSCI = P \times O$

P= Private expenditure (as % of total health care expenditure)

O = Out-of-pocket health care expenditure (as % of private expenditure)

Optimizing the "Price/Volume" Relationship



Conclusions (1/2)

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 Whereas value-based pricing remains the cornerstone for pricing and reimbursement in high income markets, additionally applying tiered pricing and price/volume trade-offs in developing countries and emerging economies facilitates inclusion of underserved populations in the public health care system.

Conclusions (2/2)

- Price tiers between countries with different income levels and the associated theoretical discount levels that may be applied from a societal and equity perspective – can be computed using a non-linear decision analytic model.
- The degree to which the model offers a solution to the access and affordability problem depends on:
 - the social and macro-economic development status of a particular country/region,
 - the disease incidence and the value of a particular medicine in its therapeutic class,
 - the extent to which inter-country and intra-country market segmentation can be applied.
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