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## EU SPC System and uSPC: What to be expected?

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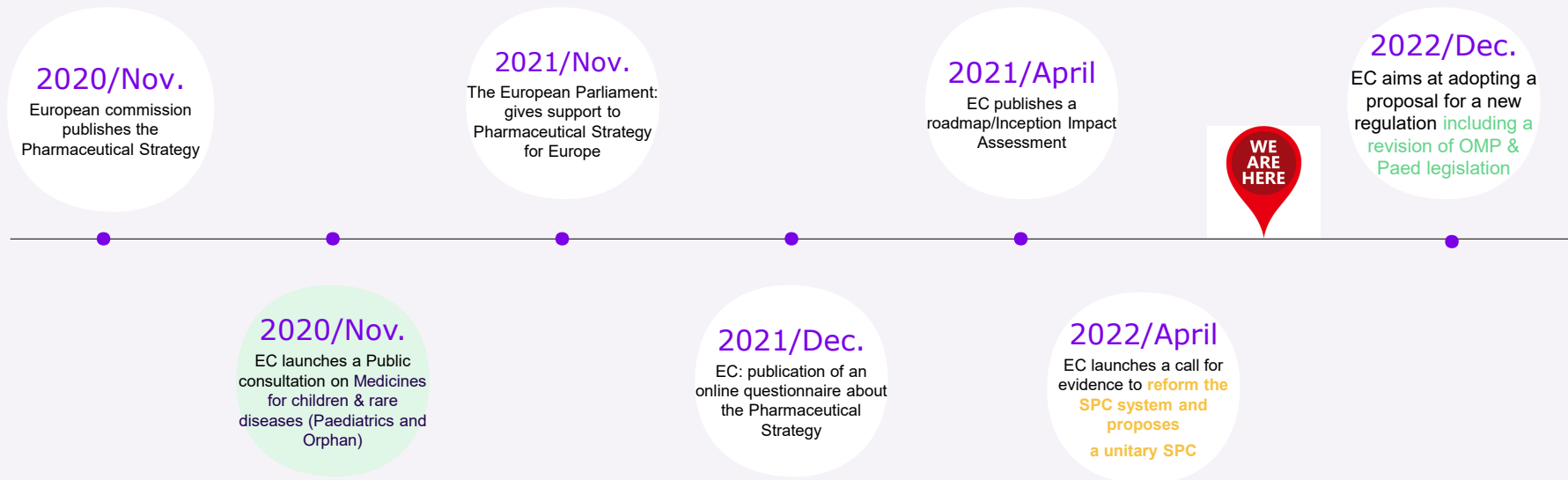
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# The EU legal context



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# SPC Current Practices

**Based on a  
National or  
European Patent**

**Based on a  
National or  
Community  
Market Approval**

**Granted by the  
national patent  
office of each EU  
Member State**

**European  
Regulations No.  
469/2009 for  
medicinal  
products**

**Litigate with the  
competence of  
the national  
authorities**

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# Areas for improvements

**More transparency of information**



**More harmonization**



**More centralization and Less administrative burden**



**Less costly and less complex**



**Greater harmonization of SPC decisions**



**More legal certainty**





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Practitioners are in majority in Favor of ...

**A unitary  
SCP**

**A single  
grant  
mechanism**

**A new  
granting  
body**

**No double  
SPC  
protection**

Practitioners are in disagreements about ...

**Opposition  
mechanism**

**Re-opening  
of the SPC  
regulation**

**Appeal  
instance**

# Next Steps

As identified by the European Commission



Status quo  
→ No  
change

Guidelines  
or « Good  
Practices »

Legislative  
changes

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Thank you  
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