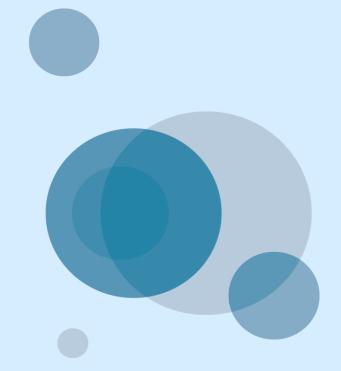
# Access to medicines – high and unsustainable price levels

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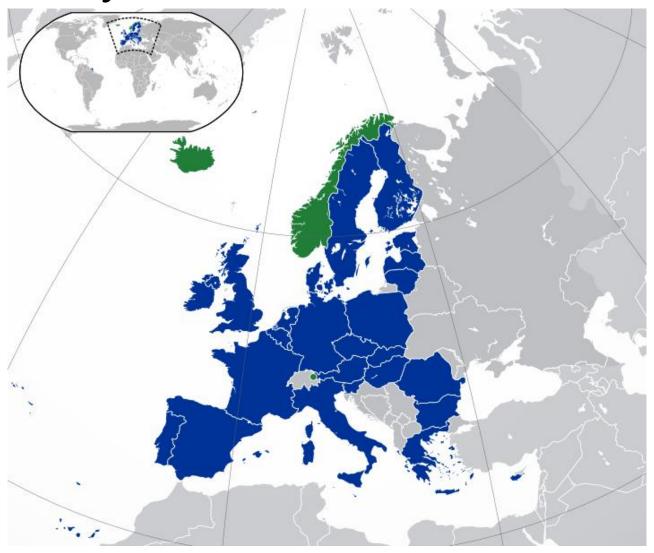


### Norwegian Minister of Health, Mr Bent Høie

"Unethically high prices on some new medicines"



### **About Norway**



### Norwegian Health System – key principles

#### Methods

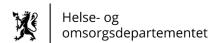
Systems for decision making - Financing

## **Principles for prioritization**

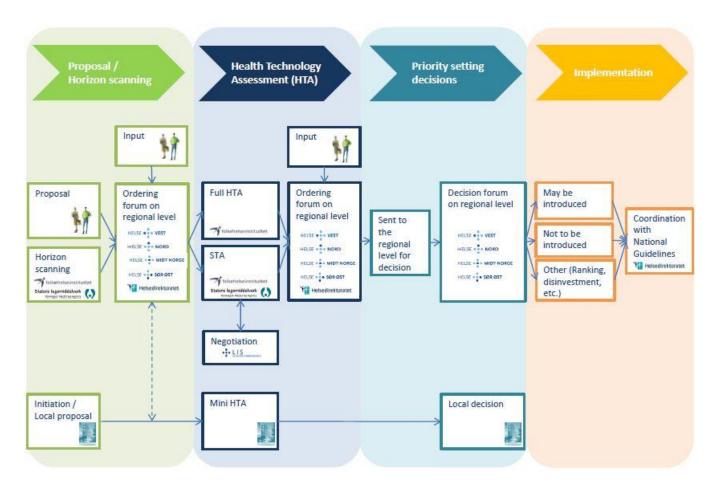
**Utility - Resource Use - Severity** 

#### Value foundation

Transparency - Trust - Universal Health Care - Equality in access - Solidarity principle



# Decisions on access - The main components of the system



# Norwegian health system – the cost of sustainability



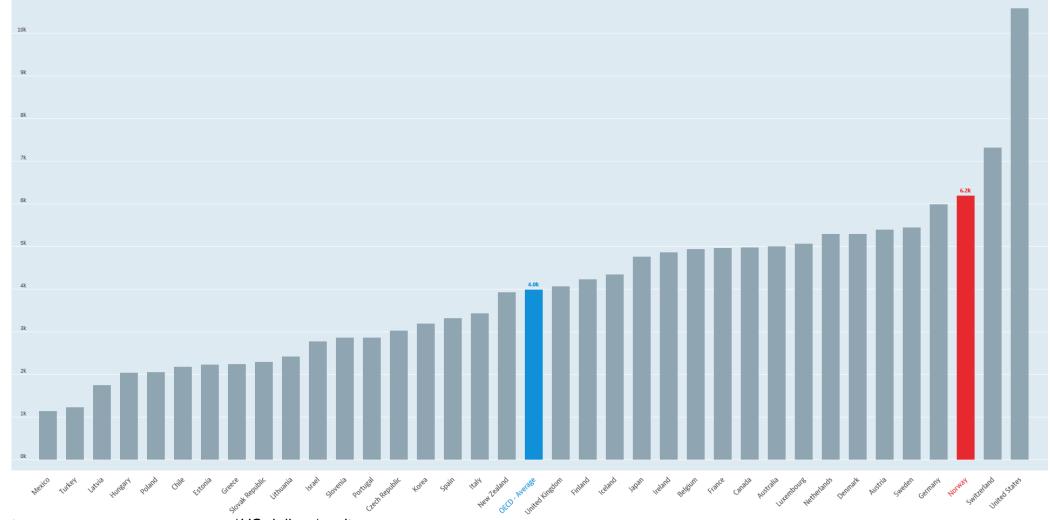


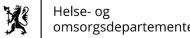
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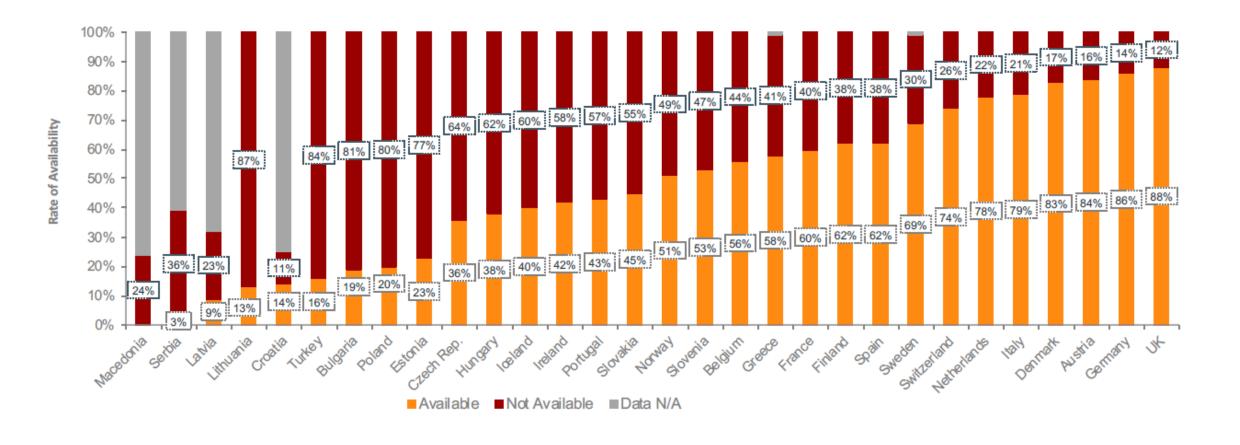
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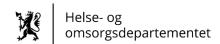
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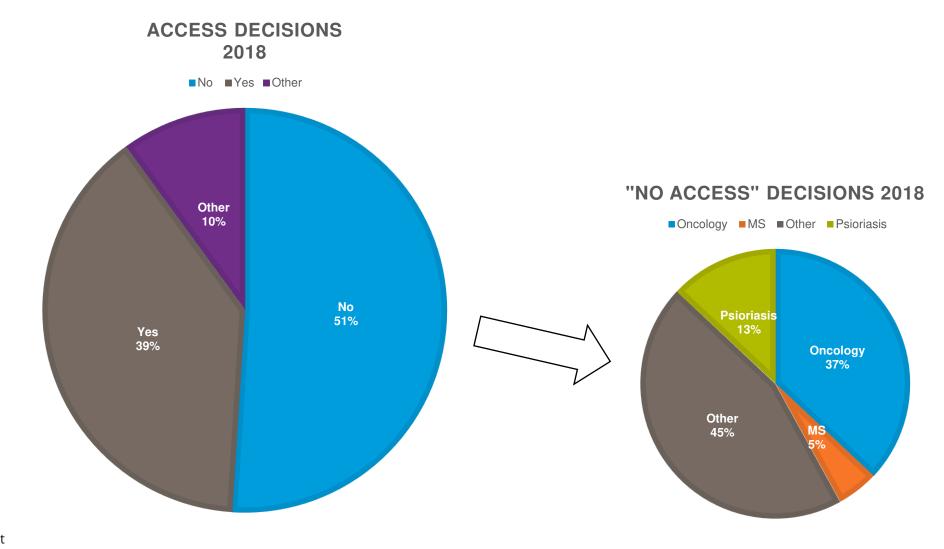


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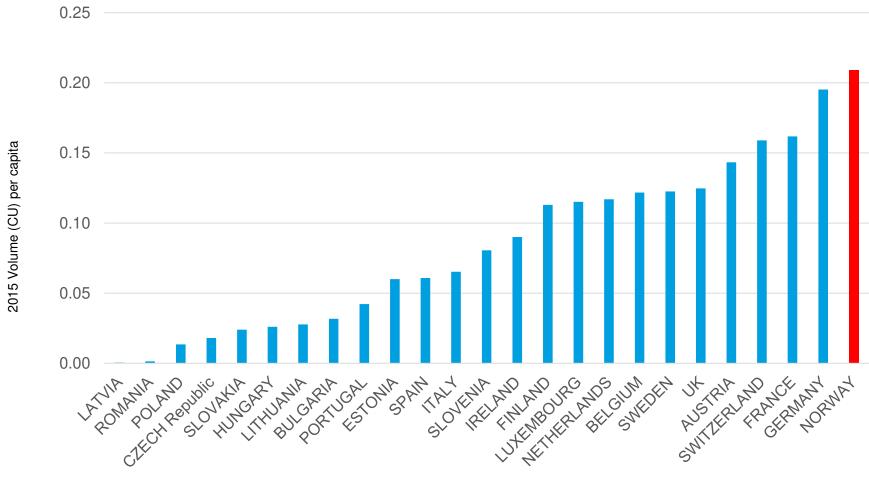




### Rate of availability



### Oncologics uptake by country





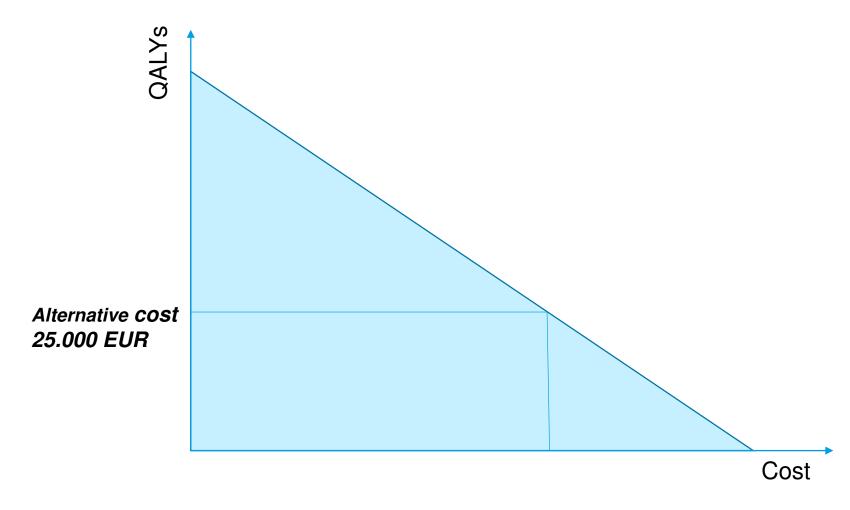
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### Secret prices of medicines



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### Cost per QALY vs. Public Health Services



### The social contract



### What is next?

- European Commission
- National agendas
- Collaboration initiatives: WHO, OECD
- Dialogue with industry
- Dialogue with patient organizations



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