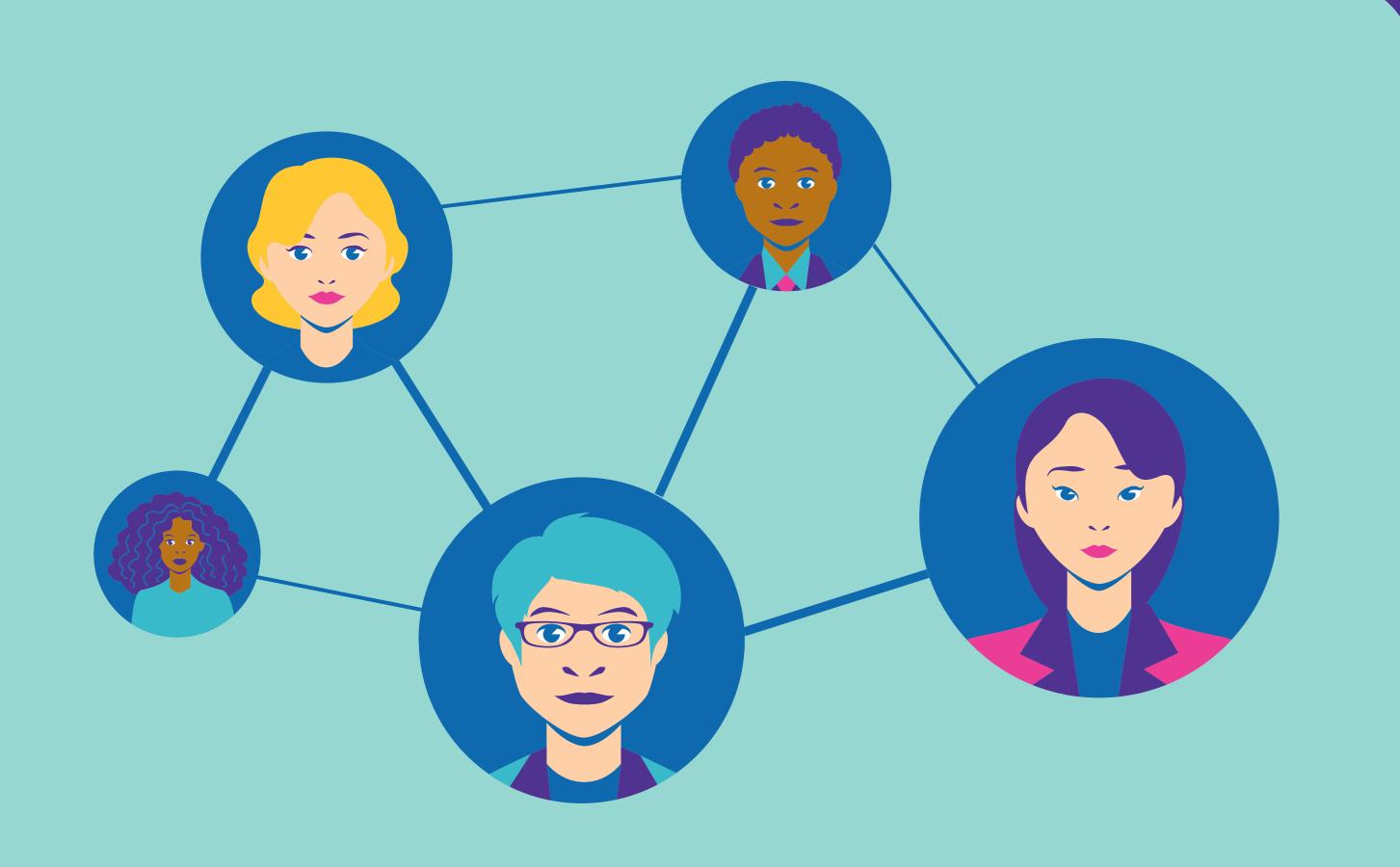
## DELIVERING HEALTH IN LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (LMICs)

Merck KGaA Darmstadt, Germany

Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) claim an estimated 31.6 million lives every year in LMICs.1,2



Today we serve more than 50 million patients in LMICs with our portfolio of healthcare products to treat NCDs.<sup>3</sup>



Our aim is to treat More than so Million patients a year by 2030.



Our ambition is to improve the lives of More than 170 Million patients in low- and middle-income countries by 2030.

We're passionate about developing and delivering transformative specialty medicines to patients with high unmet needs in underserved geographies.



Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) affect more than one billion people who live in impoverished communities.<sup>4</sup>



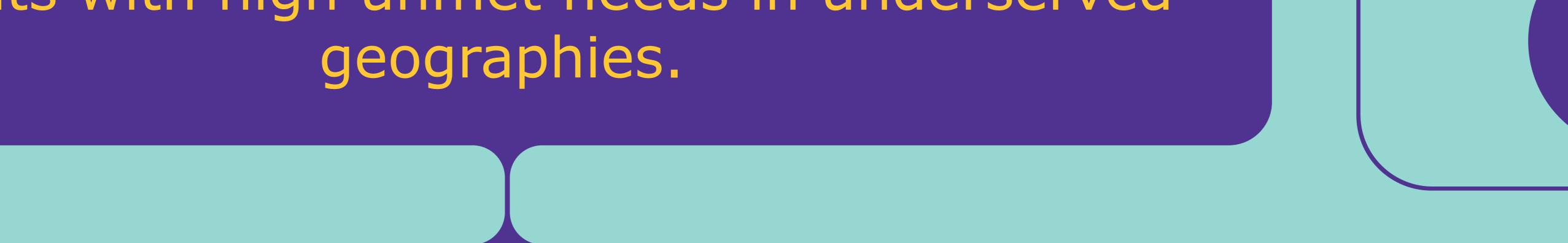
Since 2007, in partnership with the World Health Organization, we have provided over 1.7 billion tablets enabling the treatment of schistosomiasis in almost 700 million patients, mainly school-age children.<sup>3</sup>







Applying our integrated approach, we remain committed to the elimination of schistosomiasis as a public health problem and aim to treat More than 90 Million patients a year by 2030.



## AVAILABILITY (2) ACCESSIBILITY (2) AFFORDABILITY (2)

Driving the development of

solutions to address health

needs-based Research &

responsible Intellectual

Property while planning for

faster and broader access

challenges, using

Development and



services and

possible care.

Strengthening health

infrastructures in low-

patient access to the best

and middle-income

countries to enable





Implementing innovative mechanisms for equitable and sustainable access to our innovations and products.

**Acronyms:** 

LMICs = LOW-AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (LMICs) NCDs = NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

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