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**PKU Practice Guidelines Now Available in Six Foreign Languages from the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics**

BETHESDA, MD – **September 13, 2016** | The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine has recently published translations of ACMG's Phenylalanine Hydroxylase Deficiency (PKU) Practice Guidelines in Spanish, French, Turkish, German, Portuguese (Br) and Italian. All six translated guidelines are available [online](#).

In an effort to reach international providers and patients, BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc., a corporate sponsor of the ACMG Foundation, supported this translation project in order to ensure global access and readability of these important practice guidelines for the treatment of patients with PKU. BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc. focuses on therapeutics for rare diseases.

Michael S. Watson, PhD, FACMG, executive director of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics said, "Translation of ACMG's PKU guidelines will help expand international access to the practice guideline which will assist providers in delivering accurate and reliable information. No professional organization better encompasses the global view of the genome and the experience and mindset to apply genomic information more broadly to maintain health and diagnose and treat disease, than ACMG."

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