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Our main project, the Health Impact Fund, aims to increase access to medicines by creating additional incentives for innovation in the health sector.

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Preface

This book presents for public consideration a complement to the existing rules governing the development and distribution of new medicines. It shows that the proposed Health Impact Fund is feasible and that it would produce large gains in global public health and economic productivity at comparatively low cost. We ask readers for help in perfecting this proposal and for political support.

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