

CELL THERAPY TRANSLATION

Translational Challenges

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Summary

- Complex regulatory pathway
- Human Starting Materials
- Preclinical
- Clinical
- Licensing





Cell and Gene Therapy Catapult



The Catapults

The **Catapults** are a force for innovation & growth

- Part of a **world-leading network** of technology and innovation centres
- **Bridge the gap** between businesses, academia, research and government
- Long-term investment to **transform** the UK's ability to create new products and services
- **Regenerative medicine** is one of the UK government's eight great technologies that support UK science strengths and business capabilities
- Open up global opportunities for the UK and **generate sustained economic growth** for the future
- Established by **Innovate UK** (formerly the Technology Strategy Board)





Why Cell Therapy?

- Identified significant and growing unmet healthcare needs that cell therapy could address
- The UK is at the leading-edge of the cell therapy industry, with a disproportionate share of world-leading scientists and new developments in the field, creating an advantage upon which the country can capitalise
- An opportunity to build a largescale industry delivering health and wealth to the UK



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Strategic goals

Goal

• Build a £10bn industry

Pipeline

• Increased cell therapies in UK clinical trial and clinical use

Value

• Investible propositions created leading to cell therapy companies that succeed and stay in the UK

Attractiveness

• Demonstrating that the UK is the place to do this work, with increased inward investment



Catapults

Helping business to **identify, adopt and develop** innovative technologies

Core Projects

Key challenges and barriers A unique technical capability

> Industry & research advisory groups

Demonstration projects

Disseminate to industry

Industry R&D

Access to unique facilities & expertise Develop & demonstrate at scale Reduce risk of implementation Direct contracts for projects Easy access for SMEs Innovation in collaborations Bring together customers, SME's & blue-chip companies Technical & management resource

CR&D

Partners in Projects (IUK & EU)

Expertise at unlocking funding



Assets

- facilities and teams

Facilities

 \pounds 70m development laboratories

- London clinical research cluster
- 1,200m² on 12th floor Guy's Tower
- 110 people

 $\pounds 55m\ large-scale\ advanced\ therapies\ manufacturing\ centre$

- Stevenage Biocatalyst
- Opening 2017
- 7,200m²
- 150 people



Teams

Business

- Business development
- Business models
- Health economics

Manufacturing and supply

- Process development
- Analytical development
- GMP process proving
- Supply chain
- Late clinical phase manufacturing
- Initial in market supply

Clinical trial and regulatory

- Regulatory
- Clinical trial sponsor
- Clinical operations
- Pre-clinical safety



Complex regulatory pathway





Guidance used for CT & G development

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November 2005		GUIDELINE ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS FOR HUMAN USE		

Human starting material



Translation challenges – Starting material

- Sourcing human derived starting material
 - Ethical
 - Consent
 - Regulatory
 - Donor to donor variability







Translation challenges - Preclinical

- Preclinical testing
 - Suitability of animal models
 - Impact of immunosuppression
 - GLP or not



Clinical



The challenges to translation - CT

- Licensing of procurement sites
- Logistics
- Clinical Trial design aspects limited comparative data produced through nonstandard pathways:
- Small or extremely small number of patients
- Most don't follow the classical randomised, controlled PhI, PhII, PhII, PhII, PhIV pathway
- 'Surrogate' endpoints
- May be administered to end-of life patients
- Usually administer cautiously to patients in first instance (not healthy volunteers)
- Sometimes already have some non-trial patient experience (eg specials route)
- Risk:benefit assessment for patient groups; informed consent







Translation challenges - Licensing

- Europe wide licensing for ATMP
- Orphan or ultra-orphan products
- More likely to follow non-conventional licensing routes:
 - Conditional, Exceptional Use, Accelerated ie approved with small numbers of patients and with post approval commitments. Licence can be revoked if commitments not met
- Long-term supply of unlicensed products Specials or Hospital exemption schemes
- Patient registries



Supply issues



Translation challenges - Supply

- Many autologous therapies
- Europe wide supply for ATMP
- High Cost of Goods
- Logistical supply significantly more challenging, with associated costs
- Post-marketing commitments
- More use of clinical champions
- Patients may travel within and between countries to receive treatment at centres of excellence
- Short-time frame for patients to receive treatment
- Uncommon for these products will be delivered on an ongoing basis
- Reimbursement





