Preclinical development of gene therapy drugs. Regulatory documents. Strategy. Experimental models. Potential risks when using gene therapy drugs. Toxicity

# Problems in preclinical development of gene therapy drugs

 Difficulty in accessing experimental models to evaluate effectiveness;

• - Lack of domestic regulatory documentation.



# Foreign regulatory documents (FDA)

#### **Guidance for Industry**

Preclinical Assessment of Investigational Cellular and Gene Therapy Products

Additional copies of this guidance are available from the Office of Communication, Outreach and Development (OCOD), (HFM-40), 1401 Rockville Pike, Suite 200N, Rockville, MD 20852-1448, or by calling 1-800-835-4709 or 301-827-1800, or e-mail ocod@fda hhs gov. or from the Internet at

http://www.fda.gov/BiologicsBloodVaccines/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm.

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Reflection paper on quality, non-clinical and clinical issues related to the development of recombinant adenoassociated viral vectors

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	product

#### Foreign regulatory documents

Аспекты программы доклинических исследований ГТЛП Aspects of GTMP non-clinical development programmes	Документ Document
Биораспределение Biodistribution	ICH guideline S12 on nonclinical biodistribution considerations for gene therapy products (EMA/CHMP/ICH/318372/2021) General principles to address virus and vector shedding. ICH considerations (EMEA/CHMP/ICH/449035/2009)
Перед первым применением у человека Preclinical studies (before the first clinical use)	Guideline on the non-clinical studies required before first clinical use of gene therapy medicinal products (EMEA/CHMP/GTWP/125459/2006, 30 May 2008)
Репродуктивная токсичность Reproductive toxicity	Guideline on non-clinical testing for inadvertent germline transmission of gene transfer vectors (EMEA/273974/2005, 16 November 2006) General principles to address the risk of inadvertent germline integration of gene therapy vectors. ICH considerations (CHMP/ICH/469991/2006)
Риск для окружающей среды Environmental safety	Guideline on scientific requirements for the environmental risk assessment of gene therapy medicinal products (EMEA/CHMP/GTWP/125491/2006, 30 May 2008) General principles to address virus and vector shedding. ICH considerations (EMEA/CHMP/ICH/449035/2009)
Модификация продукта разработки Design modification of GTMPs	Reflection paper on design modification of gene therapy medicinal products during development (CAT/GTWP/44236/2009, 14 December 2011)
Рекомбинантные аденоассоциированные вирусные векторы Recombinant adeno-associated viral vectors	Reflection paper on quality, non-clinical and clinical issues related to the development of recombinant adeno-associated viral vectors (EMEA/CHMP/GTWP/587488/2007 Rev. 1, 24 June 2010)
Онколитические вирусные векторы Oncolytic viral vectors	Oncolytic viruses (EMEA/CHMP/ICH/607698/2008)
Лентивирусные векторы Lentiviral vectors	Guideline on development and manufacture of lentiviral vectors (CHMP/BWP/2458/03, 26 May 2005)

Примечание. ГТЛП — генотерапевтический лекарственный препарат; ICH — Международный совет по гармонизации. Note. GTMP, gene therapy medicinal product; ICH, International Council for Harmonisation.

# Foreign regulatory documents



London, 16 November 2006 Doc. Ref. EMEA/273974/2005

COMMITTEE FOR MEDICINAL PRODUCTS FOR HUMAN USE (CHMP)

GUIDELINE ON NON-CLINICAL TESTING FOR INADVERTENT GERMLINE TRANSMISSION OF GENE TRANSFER VECTORS

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COMMITTEE FOR PROPRIETARY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS (CPMP)

NOTE FOR GUIDANCE ON THE QUALITY, PRECLINICAL AND CLINICAL ASPECTS OF GENE TRANSFER MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE MEDICINAL PRODUCTS FOR HUMAN USE (CHMP)

#### GUIDELINE ON THE NON-CLINICAL STUDIES REQUIRED BEFORE FIRST CLINICAL USE OF GENE THERAPY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

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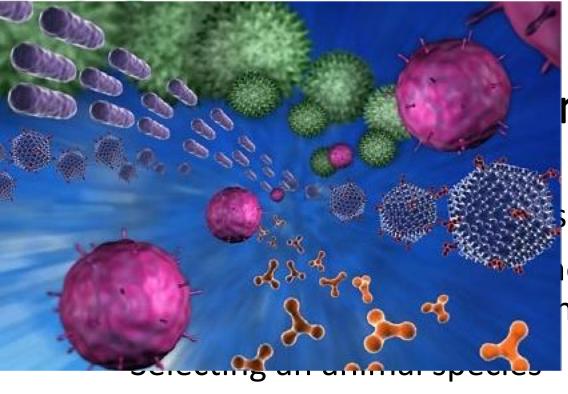
### **Preclinical Evaluation Strategy**

- Demonstrated pharmacodynamic activity in an experimental disease model
- Biodistribution
- Recommendation of initial dose escalation and dose escalation schedule for use in a proposed clinical trial
- Identification of potential target organs of toxicity
- Identification of potential target organs of biological activity
- Determination of specific patient selection criteria

## Experimental model

- In accordance with the provisions Reflection paper on quality, nonclinical and clinical issues related to the development of recombinant adeno-associated viral vectors
- Selecting an animal

species Species specificity of the vector The biodistribution of human virus serotypes may differ between animal species. Using serotypes of the virus to which the selected animal species is susceptible may be more appropriate than using the serotype that will be used in clinical trials.



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- Product specificity It is important to understand how immunogenic the transgene product will be for the selected animal species.
- It is possible to use the corresponding animal gene when conducting research.

#### Basic Research

- Pharmacodynamics
- Biodistribution
- Toxicity and safety
- General toxicity
- Reproductive
- Genotoxicity/Tumorigenicity





# Pharmacokinetics study

- Biodistribution
- Data must be provided for all organs (both targeted and non-targeted)
- Data on the persistence of the transgene product must be provided
- The dose used should be consistent with that for clinical use

## Potential risks of using gene therapy drugs

- Biodistribution of the vector/virus to non-target organs
- Level of viral replication and persistence in non-target organs and tissues o Inappropriate activation of the immune system
- Danger of insertional mutagenesis and/or oncogenicity
- Genetic modification of cells

# Toxicity study

- The route and route of administration should be consistent with that for clinical use
- The doses used must provide a margin of safety for use in humans
- Relevant animal species must be used o Study duration is determined by ICH M3
- If the drug will be administered once in the clinic, it is sufficient to conduct only a single dose toxicity study

#### Other toxicities

- Integration Research o Tissue sensitivity testing
- Immunogenicity study o Immunotoxicity studies (for drugs that affect the immune system)
- Reproductive toxicity (only carried out if biodistribution studies show the presence of the vector in the gonads)
- Environmental risk assessment

