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# Highlights on the Committee for Advanced Therapies Joint PCWP-HCPWP session, 15th November 2023

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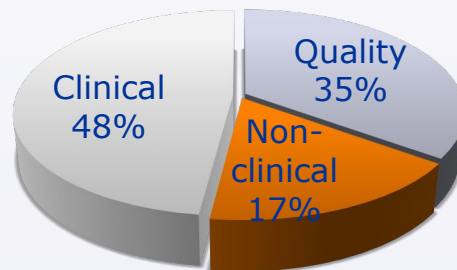




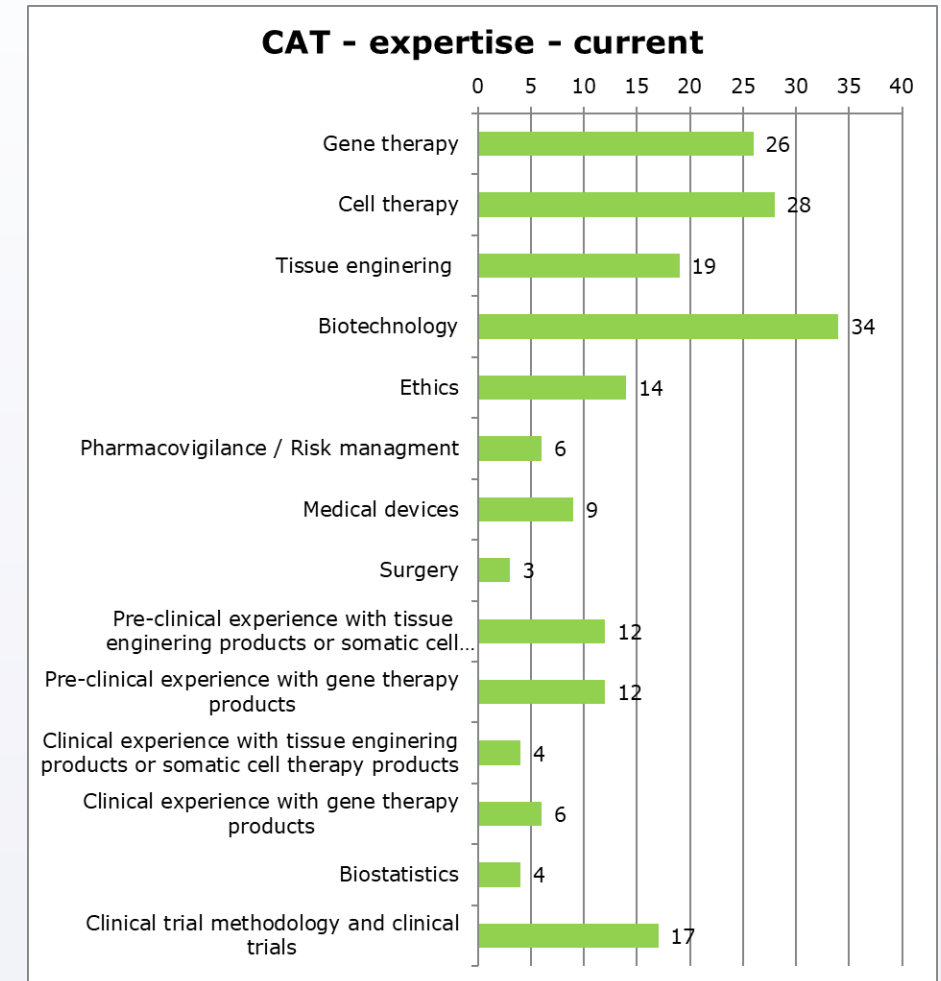
# DISCLAIMER

Consultancy role for the pharmaceutical company Roche in the development of the product Evrysdi<sup>®</sup> (Risdiplam).

- In December 2008, the **ATMP Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007** entered into force laying down an **EU framework for marketing of Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products (ATMPs)**
- In 2009 the Committee for Advanced Therapies (CAT) was created **to provide expert regulatory and scientific advice specific to ATMPs**



- CAT: Multidisciplinary **scientific and regulatory expertise**



<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/committees/committee-advanced-therapies-cat>

- Safe and efficacious first-in-class ATMPs
- Including incremental scientific-clinical knowledge in regulatory decision making
- Supporting ATMP developers
- Incorporating physician and patient perspectives in our deliverables
- Supporting patient access by analysing root causes of RWD deficiencies and by increasing interactions with HTAs
- Warning against unproven cell-based therapies
- Strengthened communication and exchange with EMA committees and working parties

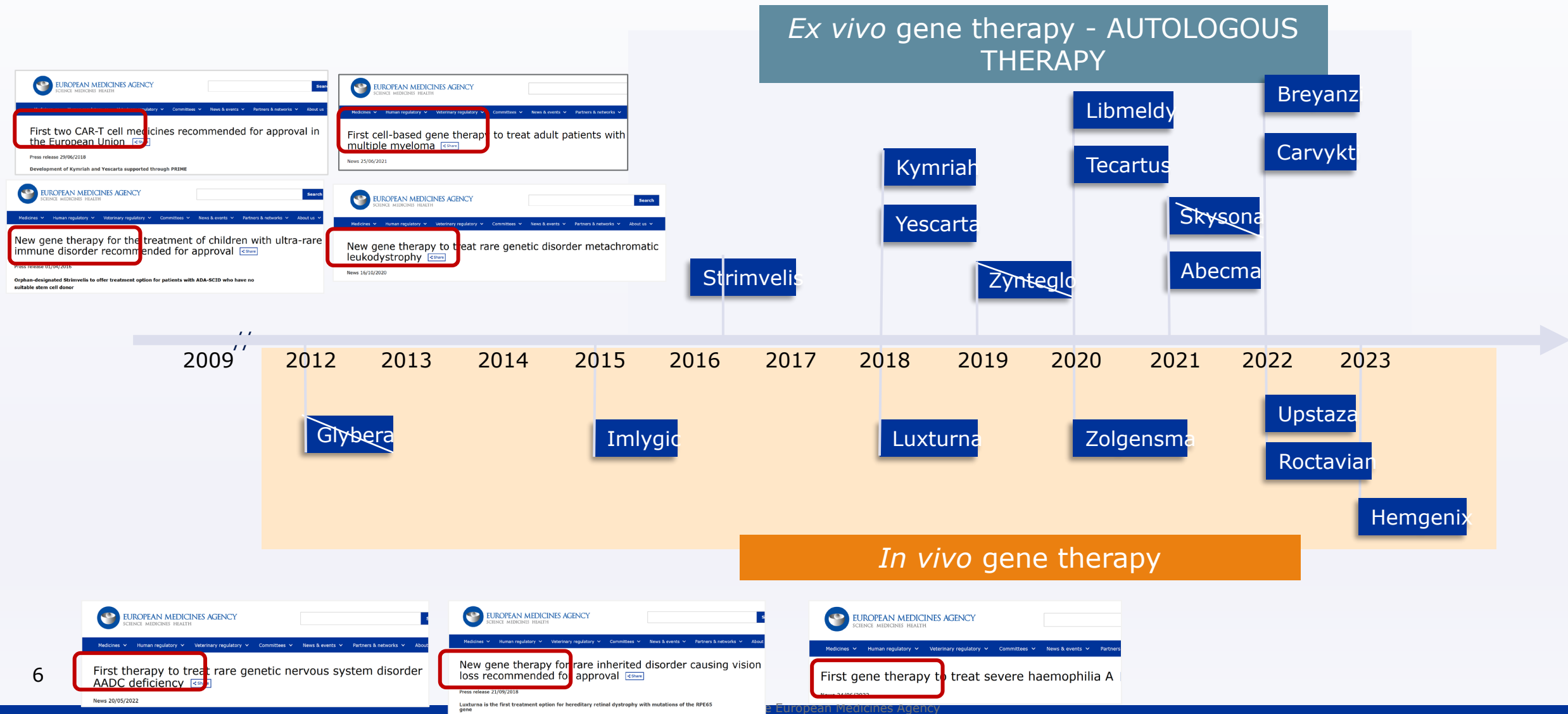


- Complex products to develop, manufacture, characterise, test
- They do not follow standard non-clinical & clinical development programmes
- They bring novel toxicities, therefore they need risk assessment of insertional mutagenesis events
- Specific post-authorization obligations to address remaining uncertainties
- No precedent cases for regulatory decision making

# Gene Therapy: two approaches to treat severe diseases



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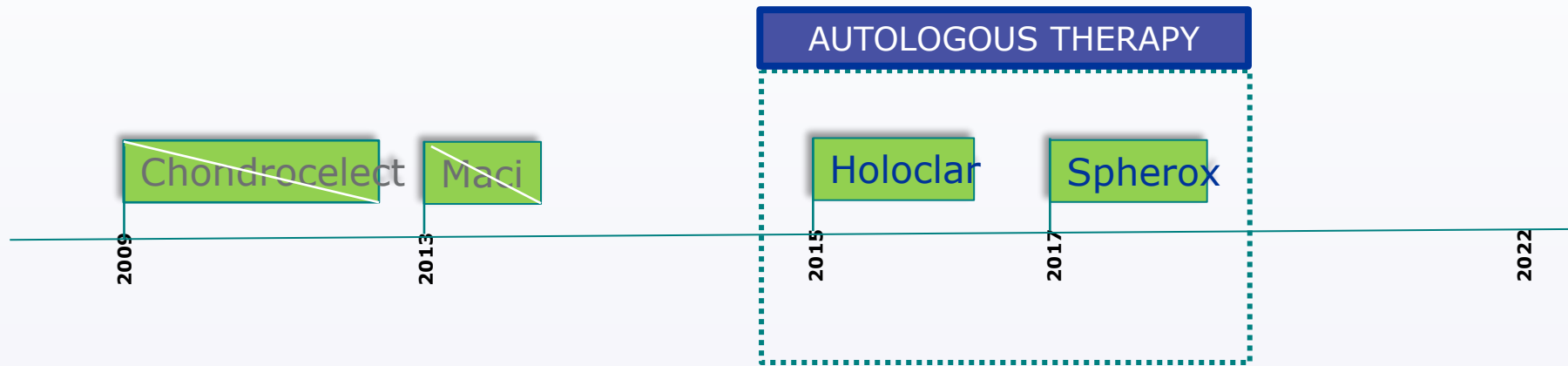




# Innovative Somatic Cell Therapies Medicinal Products



- Provenge® Metastatic prostate cancer, 2013
- Zalmoxis® Stem cell transplantation, adjunctive treatment, 2016
- Alofisel® Crohn's disease, complex anal fistula, 2017
- Ebvallo Tabelecleucel is an **allogeneic Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)-specific T-cell immunotherapy**



- Chondroelect® Cultured chondrocytes for repair of knee cartilage defects, 2009
- MACI® Cultured chondrocytes.....2013
- Spherox® Cultured chondrocytes.....2017
- Holoclar® Cultured corneal epithelial cells for treatment of corneal lesions 2014



- Treatment of Haemophilia B for adults with congenital Factor IX deficiency.
- Non-replicating, recombinant adeno-associated virus serotype 5 (AAV5) based vector.
- Single dose, intravenous (after at least 6 months with standard routine Factor IX prophylaxis)
- 2 prospective, open-label, single-dose, single-arm studies.
  - ✓ Phase 2b study performed in US (N=3)
  - ✓ Phase 3 multi-national study performed in US, UK and EU (N=54)
  - ✓ Adult male patients with moderately severe or severe Haemophilia B
  - ✓ 5 years follow-up

# HEMGENIX (INN-etranacogene dezaparvovec) (II)

- Study results: primary endpoint: assessment of the annualised bleeding rate compared to the observational lead-in period:

Number	≥6-month lead-in period FAS (N=54)	7-18 months post-dose FAS (N=54)	≥6-month lead-in period (N=53) <sup>***</sup>	7-18 months post-dose (N=53) <sup>***</sup>
Number of patients with bleeds	40 (74.1%)	20 (37.0%)	40 (75.5%)	19 (35.8%)
Number of patients with zero bleeds	14 (25.9%)	34 (63.0%)	13 (24.5%)	34 (64.2%)
Number of any bleeds	136	54	136	49
Number of person years for bleeding events	33.12	49.78		
Adjusted* ABR** (95% CI) for any bleeds	4.19 (3.22, 5.45)	1.51 (0.81, 2.82)	3.89 (2.93, 5.16)	1.07 (0.63, 1.82)
ABR reduction (lead-in to post-treatment) 2-sided 95% Wald CI 1-sided p-value <sup>****</sup>	-	64% (36%, 80%) 0.0002		72% (57%, 83%) p<0.0001

- Conditional approval February 2023.
- Post MA Long-term follow up: 15 years
- Registry based study: 31/Dec/2044

- Improve interactions with HTAs
- Gain knowledge on the possibilities of RWD/RWE for regulatory decision making
- Interactions with stakeholders:
  - ✓ Learned societies
  - ✓ Industry
  - ✓ Regulators (FDA, Japan)
- Progress on the Guideline on requirements for investigational ATMPs in clinical trials
- Post -authorisation safety and efficacy follow-up and RMP for ATMPs

- First in class first in human
- Urgent unmet medical needs & limited evidence
- Deliberation & appropriation by all the committee
- Use of RWD/RWE for regulatory decisions (pre & post MA)



# **Many thanks! Any questions?**

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