Scientific recommendation on classification of advanced therapy medicinal products

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Brief description (or name where available) of the active substance(s)
Adenovirus serotype 5 expressing the Core protein, the Polymerase protein and selected domains of the Envelope protein of Hepatitis B Virus

Brief description of the finished product
Sterile suspension of viral particles

Proposed indication
Treatment of chronic hepatitis B

EMA/CAT conclusion
The committee adopted on 3rd March 2016 the following scientific recommendation.

With reference to Section 2.1 of Part IV of Annex I to Directive 2001/83/EC, which stipulates that gene therapy medicinal products shall not include vaccines against infectious disease, the EMA/CAT considers that the product does not fall within the definition of an advanced therapy medicinal product as provided in the article 2(1)(a) of the Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007.