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## Scientific recommendation on classification of advanced therapy medicinal products

Article 17 – Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007

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The present scientific recommendation refers exclusively to the case as presented to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) without prejudice to future evaluations by the Agency

### **Brief description (or name where available) of the active substance(s)**

The product is viable, human, autologous, tumour-infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL) derived from metastatic melanoma (MM).

### **Brief description of the finished product**

Living, autologous, melanoma-derived lymphocytes (CD3+) suspended in buffered saline containing human serum albumin.

### **Proposed indication**

Therapeutic treatment of metastatic melanoma in patients pre-conditioned with chemotherapy and undergoing concomitant interleukin-2 (IL-2) treatment.

### **EMA/CAT conclusion**

On the basis that:

- The product consists of viable cells that have been subject to substantial manipulation (i.e. enzymatic digestion of tumour tissue followed by *ex vivo* expansion) so that biological



characteristics, physiological functions or structural properties relevant for the intended clinical use have been altered;

- The product is presented as having properties for treating a disease in human beings;
- The product is presented as acting via immunological means.

The EMA/CAT considers that the product falls within the definition of somatic cell therapy medicinal product as provided in Article 2(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007.