Scientific recommendation on classification of advanced therapy medicinal products


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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)

Mesenchymal stem cells isolated from umbilical cord

Brief description of the finished product

Mesenchymal stem cells isolated from umbilical cord as a sheet

Proposed indication

Burns, non-healing wounds

EMA/CAT conclusion

The committee adopted on 29th January 2016 the following scientific recommendation.

On the basis that the product:

- consists of cells have been subject to substantial manipulation so that biological characteristics, physiological functions or structural properties relevant for the intended regeneration, repair or replacement have been altered,
- the cells are administered to human beings with a view to regenerating, repairing or replacing a human tissue,

the EMA/CAT considers that the Product falls within the definition of a tissue engineered product.