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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.

It is stressed that the scientific recommendation on advanced therapy classification does not amount to any endorsement of the plausibility of the product, including the mode of action or therapeutic indication(s) claimed by the applicant.

Brief description (or name when available) of the active substance(s)

Autologous anti-BCMA CAR-T cells.

Brief description of the finished product

Suspension of autologous anti-BCMA CAR-T cells.

Proposed indication

Treatment of multiple myeloma and B cell lymphoma.

EMA/CAT conclusion

The committee adopted on 4 November 2016 the following recommendation.

On the basis that the product:

 the product contains an active substance which contains a recombinant nucleic acid administered to human beings with a view to adding a genetic sequence;



•	its therapeutic effect relates directly to the product of genetic expression of this sequence,
the EMA/CAT considers that the Product falls within the definition of a gene therapy medicinal product	
as p	provided in Article 2(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007.