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# Cell and Gene Therapy Market and Regulatory Trends

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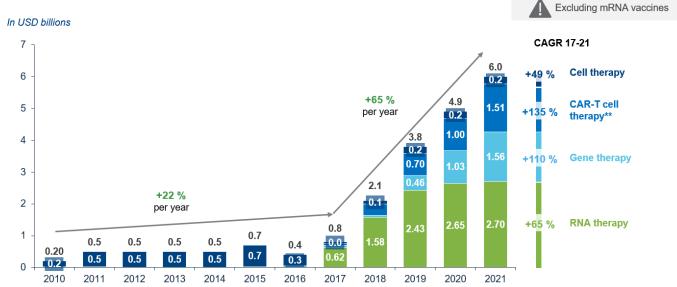


# Global market trends





## **Global revenues**



- C&GT market uptake has dramatically accelerated since 2017
- Within this landscape, CAR-T cell therapies have been the most dynamic segment

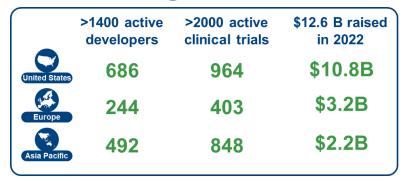


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## A booming market



#### 2022 a year with many firsts

- First gene therapy treating **Hemophilia A** approved
- First gene therapy approval **beyond Rare Disease**
- First Allogeneic T-Cell approval
- First 2nd line usage approved for several CAR-Ts
- North America and Asia Pacific together account for more than 75% of active clinical trials, while Europe is lagging
- China is a fast-growing market for C&GT development and ranks second in number of clinical trials
- CAR-T therapies continue to dominate pipeline
  - 98% of the rapies in development are for cancer indications
- CAR-T therapies showed promise as an earlier-line treatment option
  - Gilead/Kite and Bristol Myers Squibb both reported clinical data showing favorable performance compared to the 2nd-line standard of care
  - Gilead/Kite shared positive data of Yescarta as a first-line treatment for high-risk patients





## Approved car-T therapies\*



### Companies keep seeking extension of indications to treat more patients



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(\*) Matrix showing only approvals from the FDA, EMA, TGA and NMPA. Other geographies have been approved but are not shown. Sources: FDA, EMA, NMPA, TGA and corporate websites



### Expected approval for products that completed Phase III



- The late C&GT R&D pipeline is led by the US (80% of on-going registrations)
- The 2019 FDA prediction that it would approve 10-20 C&GT per year by 2025 looks possible

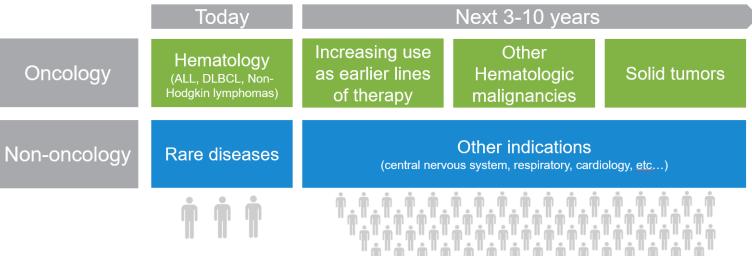


Notes: (1) EBV + PTLD= Epstein-Barr virus-associated post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder; (2) HSCT = Unrelated Donor hematopoietic progenitor cell transplantation; (3) aGVHD= (4) CALD = Early active cerebral adrenoleukodystrophy; (5) SCD = Sickle cell disease; (6) DEB = Dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa; (7) AADC = Aromatic L-amino acid decarboxylase; (8) MLD = Metachromatic leukodystrophy; (9) LHON = Leber hereditary optic neuropathy. Sources: Alliance for Regenerative Medicine, American Society of Gene + Cell Therapy, Citeline, United States Government Accountability Office

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## Market evolution



### In 2021, Kymriah, Yescarta and Zolgensama were collectively administrated to less than 5000 patients





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## **Technology evolution**

**Better viral vector production** 

• Suspension bioreactors

**Capsid engineering** 

Stable cell lines

Improved transfection

Viral vector purification

Capture fusion protein

**Automated manufacturing** 

Lipid Nanoparticles

Improved chromatography

### **XXX** Gene therapy

#### New biomolecular tools

- Improved plasmids
- New DNA formats



### Viral vector analytics

- Digital PCR (dPCR)
- Automated Elisa
- Cryo-EM
- DLS/SLS/UV-VIS
- Mass spectometry

#### Non-viral gene delivery

- Electroporation
- Microfluidic cell squeezing
- Cationic polymers
- Lipid nanoparticles
- Exosomes



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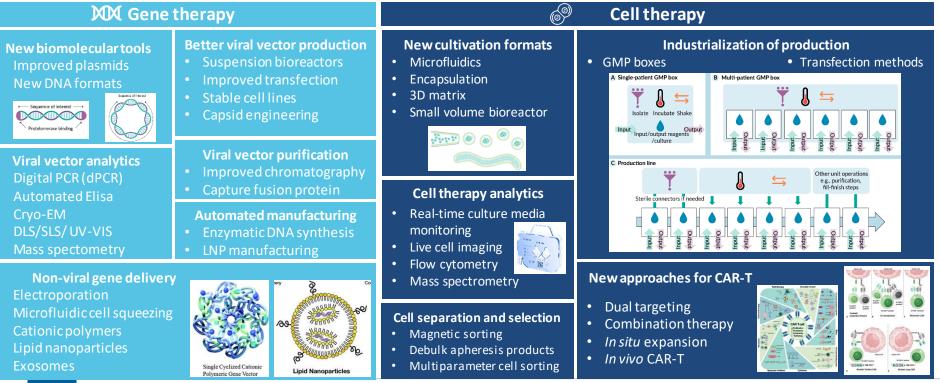
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## **Technology evolution**





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# **Global Regulatory Trends**





## A heterogeneous regulatory environment

- Minimum requirements for analytical methods are well defined, providing a foundation for early phase programs
- The US, EU, China, Japan and Korea have established specific regulatory processes for C&GT with several products already approved
- Emerging markets in the rest of the world have yet to develop specific regulatory oversight
- Different classification for C&GT means different controls and approval pathways
  - Challenging for manufacturers seeking approval in more than one country in parallel
- Harmonization is key for progress in the C&GT field
- > Need best practices and lessons learned from previously commercialized products
- > Early engagement of regulatory authorities to get early approval for the company's proposed strategy





# **Expected Growth in C&GT filings**

- Less than 30 C&GT have so far been approved by the FDA
  - 2,500 active investigational new drug (IND) applications pending
    - 1,300 active IND applications for gene therapies
    - 1,200 active IND applications for cell therapies
    - Increase in Breakthrough and Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapy designation requests
  - Expansion of INTERACT meetings and new type D meetings
    - INTERACT meetings: input on novel questions and unique challenges that need to be addressed prior to a pre-IND meeting
    - Type D meetings: focused on a narrow set of issues
- Increased regulatory burden in EU with genetically modified organism (GMO) assessment
  - GMO regulations have been developed for agricultural use to protect consumers against genetically modified crops



- CAR-Ttherapies, being genetically modified cells, fall under the GMO definition
- ARM, EFPIA and Europabio have called for this to change



ARM: Alliance for Regenerative Medicine; EFPIA: European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations; Europabio: European Association of Bioindustries





## More objections from regulatory bodies than biologics Analytical methods

- Potency assays are often considered inaccurate and/or not completely fulfilling their purpose
- Challenging due to variability of starting material, heterogenous product composition, lack of reference standards, incomplete understanding of MOA, multiple active ingredients, limited stability, etc...
- The FDA issued two new guidelines in 2022, one for CAR-T cell products and one for Gene Therapy products Incorporation Genome Editing; both address potency testing of such products

### Clinical studies

- Designs are raising doubts about trial outcomes leading to narrower indications
- Randomized clinical trials (RCT) may not always be feasible
- Patient populations are small for target indications
  - Lack of agreement on surrogate endpoints between regulators and sponsors has been an issue





## Regulatory updates: Annex 1

### **PIC/S** PICS PE009 Guide to GMP for medicinal products

- Annex 1 Manufacture of sterile medicinal products → Revised to include EU GMP Annex 1
- Annex 2 is now split into two separate annexes:
  - Annex 2A provides GMP guidance for manufacturers producing ATMPs
    - PQS/QRM requirements to reduce contamination risks, cross-contamination risks, and to minimize product variability
    - Contamination Controls Strategy (CCS)
    - Requirements for non-routine production and dedicated vs shared facilities
    - Product-specific guidance for ATMPs
- Annex 2B provides GMP guidance for manufacturers of biological medicines





## **Regulatory updates: Rapid Microbial Detection**

### si, RMM are "one of the top priority areas" for USP's new Microbiology Expert Committee

- USP <72> Respiration-Based Microbial Methods for the Detection of Contamination in Short Life Products
- USP <73> ATP Bioluminescence-Based Microbial Methods for the Detection of Contamination in Short Life Products
- USP <74> Solid-phase Cytometry-Based Microbial Method for Detection of Contamination in Short Life Products
- USP <77> Mycoplasma Nucleic Acid Amplification Tests

PDA - future update of the TR No. 33, Evaluation, Validation and Implementation of Alternative and Rapid Microbiological Methods,

## EDQM is updating several chapters to reflect the latest advancements in the field of pharmaceutical microbiology

- Ph. Eur. 2.6.7 Mycoplasmas: will include changes to guidelines for the validation of NAT
- **Ph. Eur. 5.1.6 Alternative:** will reflect the techniques currently in use and update the validation guidance
- Ph. Eur. 5.1.9 Guidelines for using the test for sterility: will reflect the use of alternative sterility methods





## Regulatory updates: standards development

- FDA guidance: Voluntary Consensus Standards Recognition Program for Regenerative Medicine Therapies
  - Designed to identify and recognize VCS
  - Opportunity for manufacturers to request the recognition of a specific VCS



SCB's interactive database: current landscape, standards published and in-development and community-identified areas of need

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 Ancillary Materials
Cell Collection Procedures
Product Potency and Functionality Measurement Methods

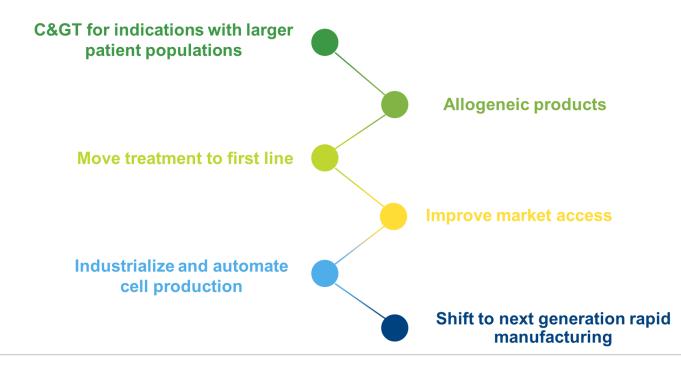


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Source: FDA Voluntary Consensus Standards Recognition Program for Regenerative Medicine Therapies 2023; Standards Coordinating Body for Gene, Cell, and Regenerative Medicines and Cell-Based Drug Discovery (SCB) https://portal.standardscoordinatingbody.org/



## A look to the future







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