# Regulation of Regenerative Medicine in Taiwan

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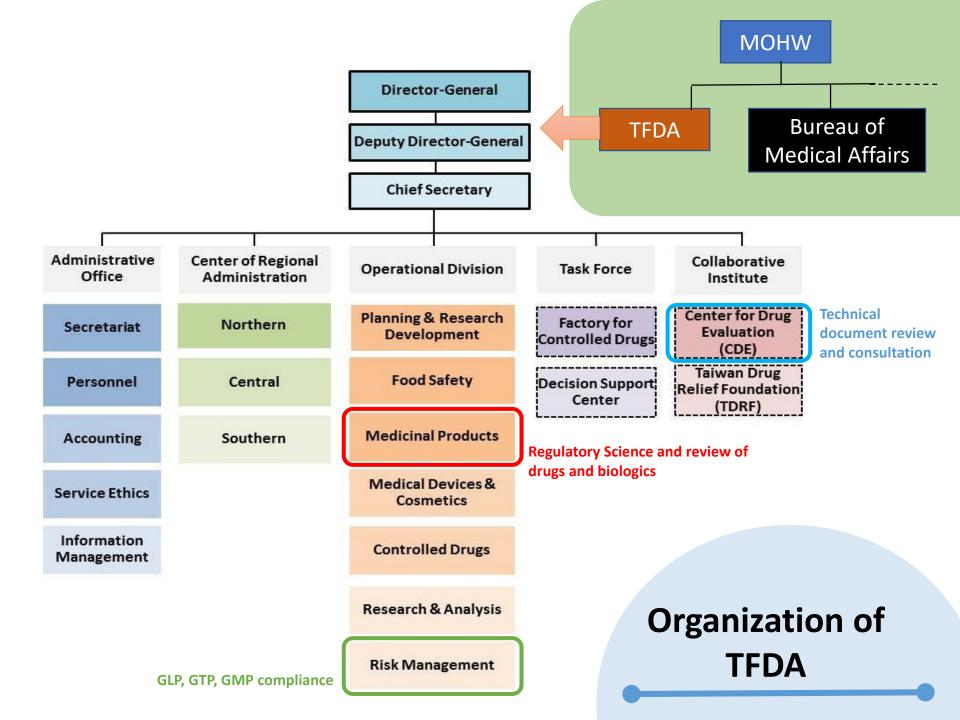
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### **Outline**

- Introduction
- Regulatory development for cell and gene therapy products
- New regulatory framework for regenerative medicine
- Future prospects



# Different regulatory approaches

#### **Before TFDA Inauguration**

#### **After TFDA Inauguration**



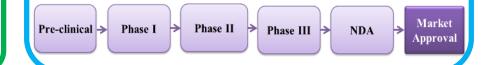
**Medical Practices** 

2010

**Medicinal Products** 



- Cell therapy was regulated as "New Medical Practices" by Bureau of Medical Affair (BMA).
- After human trials, "new medical practices" would have the opportunity to turn into "Routine Medical Practice".
- Regulation of cell therapy was transferred to TFDA in 2010.
- The regulatory approach was changed to "Medicinal Products".





Review for applications

**GTP** Inspection

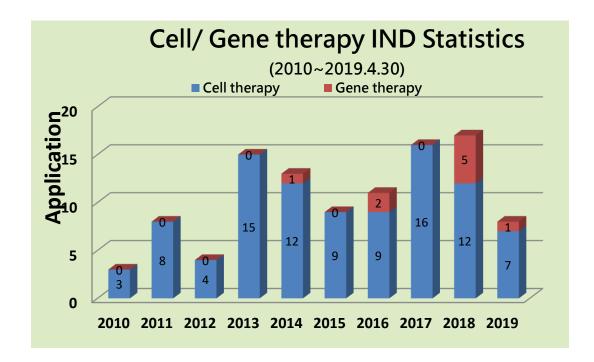
Review for applications

GCP, GTP Inspections

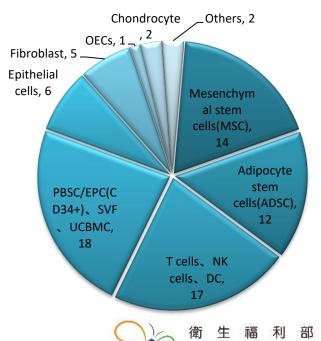


### **Current Status**

Currently, TFDA has not yet approved any human cell or gene therapy products on marketing, but numerous clinical studies are ongoing. The majority are from academia.



#### **Cell types (case number)**



# The first and successful clinical application of cell therapy product in Taiwan







Japanese Medical service team arrived within one week.



Burn injured: 484

Burn surface>40%: over 200

Burn surface>80%: 24

Deceased: 15



American Burn Association provides the consultation.

First clinical use of cell therapy product in Taiwan

JACE (autologous cultured epidermis)
ReCell (autologous cell transplantation)



# Patient voice from the Public Policy E-plateform

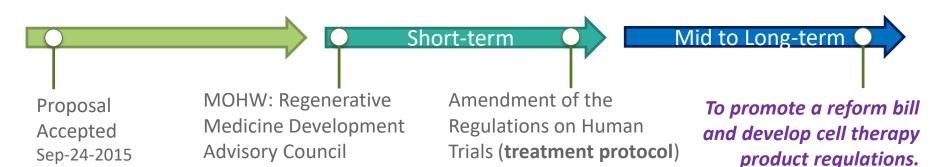


- E-Participation Platform for Public Policy was launched on Feb. 2015.
- It's a platform to allow people to join public policy and propose their concerned issues on it (http://join.gov.tw).

The first successful proposal from the E-platform (Sep.24, 2015)

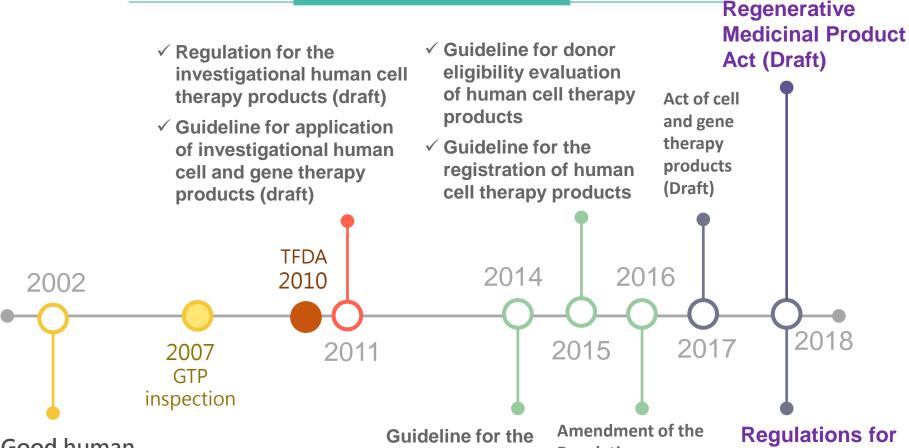
- Proposer: Caspar Wang (with a terminal stage of Nasopharyngeal carcinoma)
- Propose: To introduce **the Immune Cell Therapy Amendment Bill to the Legislation** before by the end of December 2015.
- Supported by over 5000 people.

Nov, 2015



April-14, 2016

# Regulatory development of regenerative medicine



Good human Tissue Practice (GTP) Guideline for the application of investigational human cell therapy products

Amendment of the Regulations on Human Trials (treatment protocol)

Regulations for Cell therapy techniques



## Treatment Protocol (2015)

Amendment of the Regulations on Human Trial

 Expand access to investigational cell therapy products for treatment use

Objective

Scope

- For individual patients, including emergency use
- For intermediatesize patient populations

Subjects

**Payment** 

- Serious condition and no alternative treatment
- Based on the preapproved clinical trial protocols
- Medical institutioninitiated
- With adequate safety data

 Patient may have to pay for using the investigational cell therapy products for treatment



# A New Regulatory Framework (2018)

#### Medicinal Product v.s. Medical Techniques



#### **Pharmaceutical Affairs Act**

Regenerative Medicinal Product Act (Draft-Oct 2018, under legislative process)

#### **Pharma**



Manufacturing site **GMP** 

#### **Product**

Pharmaceutical Industry

**GMP** 

Cell, Gene or Tissue engineering product w/ marketing authorization



Regulation Governing the Application of Specific Medical Examination Technique and Medical Device (RASMET) (Amended-Sep 2018)

#### Cell therapy technique Medical institute

Medical institute

**GTP** 

Performed by registered physician in recognized medical institute



Cell Processing Unit

GTP

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## Regenerative Medicinal Product Act

(Under legislative process)

General



Purpose, Scope, Definition, Authority

Registration, Changes, Extension of approval

Registration



Conditional Approval



Conditional Approval,
Criteria and Requirements

Evaluation of donor eligibility, Informed consents, Manufacture and Distribution

Manufacture, Distribution



Post-Approval Management



Pharmacovigilance, Product and source traceability Drug injury relief,
Administrative injunction,
Implementation date

**Others** 



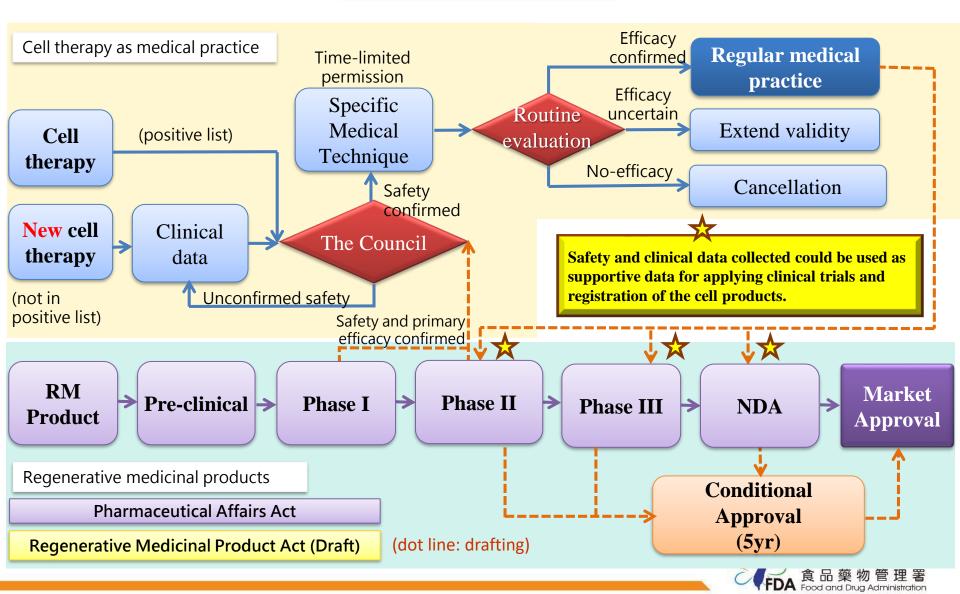


# Listed Cell Therapies in The Regulation Governing the Application of Specific Medical Examination Technique and Medical Device (RASMET)

Cell Therapies	Indication
CD34+ Selected Autologous Peripheral Blood Stem Cell Transplantation	<ul> <li>Hematological malignancies</li> <li>Leukemia (Except CML chronic phase)</li> <li>Lymphoma</li> <li>Multiple myeloma</li> <li>Chronic ischemic stroke</li> <li>Severe lower limb ischemia</li> </ul>
Autologous cellular immunotherapy ( adoptive T cell therapy including CIK ` NK ` DC ` DC-CIK ` TIL ` gamma-delta T )	<ul> <li>Hematologic malignancy failed standard treatment</li> <li>Stage 1 -stage 3 solid tumor failed standard treatment</li> <li>Stage 4 solid tumor</li> </ul>
Autologous Adipose Tissue Stem Cell Transplantation	<ul> <li>Chronic or non-healing wound last for 6 months</li> <li>More then 20% BSA burn or traumatic skin injury</li> <li>Subcutaneous and soft tissue damage</li> <li>Degenerative arthritis and knee chondral injury</li> <li>Combination or adjuvant treatment with other skin minimally invasive surgery</li> </ul>
Autologous Fibroblast Transplantation	<ul> <li>Skin defects: winkles, dents and scars repair</li> <li>Subcutaneous and soft tissue damage</li> <li>Combination or adjuvant treatment with other cutaneous minimally invasive surgery</li> </ul>
Autologous Bone Marrow Mesenchymal Stem Cell Transplantation	<ul><li>Degenerative arthritis and injured cartilage of knee</li><li>Chronic ischemic stroke</li><li>Spinal cord injury</li></ul>
Autologous Chondrocytes Transplantation	Injured cartilage of knee

First approved application: CIK cell therapy for hematologic malignancy (May 2019)

# A new regulatory framework for regenerative medicinal products and medical practice



# Summary

- Advantage of the new regulatory framework
  - Service for unmet medical needs
  - Accelerate the development of regenerative medicine in Taiwan
- Challenges
  - Evaluation of clinical outcome (risk-benefit)
  - Linkage between products and practices
  - Pricing (Value-based pricing)
  - Approve of the first regenerative medicinal product in Taiwan.



# **Future Prospects**

#### **To Enhance International Collaboration**

**To Establish Training Programs and Scientific Workshop** GTP, GMP, and **Specificity of cell** production process, animal model, clinical trial design

To enact "Act of Regenerative **Medicinal Products**"

To define and better regulate the cell therapy and gene therapy products

#### To continue establishing specific guidance

Registration requirements, Traceability, GMP for regenerative medicinal products, etc.



development of cell therapy products

Incentives for small and medium sized

**Regulatory support and accelerate** 

enterprises

**To Improve Consultation Mechanism** 

Thank you for your attention!

