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Cell Therapy GTP and GMP Facilities: Design and Operation to Optimize Space to Meet Manufacturing Needs

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Objectives

- Identify FDA regulatory guidelines for cellular therapy facility design, validation and operations.
- Describe the steps needed to incorporate FDA guidelines for cellular therapy facility design, validation and operations.
- List examples of ways to best utilize existing facilities and expansion for the greatest flexibility.
- Identify key design features to successfully accomplish the functional requirements of the facility.
- Describe the steps needed to organize and manage the project from planning to commissioning.

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Webinar Objectives

Linda L. Kelley, PhD
Assess current and future cell and gene therapy manufacturing needs, regulatory requirements, and modifications to workflows to meet the needs.

Amittha Wickrema, PhD
Describe project planning, budgeting and implementation process for new facility design.

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Cell & Gene Therapy Manufacturing

1. What are the manufacturing needs?
2. What are the regulatory requirements as they pertain to facility design?
3. How do we meet the manufacturing needs and the regulatory requirements?

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Global Clinical Landscape

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Clinical Trials Underway Worldwide at the End of 2019

Ph. I: 381
Ph. II: 591
Ph. III: 94

Number of Clinical Trials Utilizing Specific RM/AT Technology: 2019



Gene Therapy

Total: 352
Ph. I: 111
Ph. II: 209
Ph. III: 32



Gene-Modified & Cell-Based IO

Total: 452
Ph. I: 222
Ph. II: 215
Ph. III: 15



Cell Therapy

Total: 216
Ph. I: 42
Ph. II: 144
Ph. III: 30



Tissue Engineering

Total: 46
Ph. I: 6
Ph. II: 23
Ph. III: 17

<https://alliancem.org/sector-report/2019-annual-report>

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21st Century Cures Act

The 21st Century Cures Act is a United States law enacted by the 114th United States Congress in December 2016. It authorized \$6.3 billion in funding, mostly for the National Institutes of Health.

FDA drug approval process

The 21st Century Cures Act modified the FDA drug approval process by mandating new rules that direct the FDA to approve drugs and devices with greater urgency.

- RMAT (Regenerative Medicine Advanced Therapy)
- Fast Track
- Breakthrough Therapy
- Priority Review
- Accelerated Approval

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Moffitt Cell Therapy Facility

- BMT standard-of-care (≈450 txps/year)
- IND phase 1 & 2 (≈10-20 active at any given time)
 - Investigator-initiated (50%)
 - Sponsor-initiated (50%)
 - Most on FDA accelerated approval pathways
- NHLBI/PACT Contract Manufacturing Facility
- 50+ employees
- 10,000 sf facility

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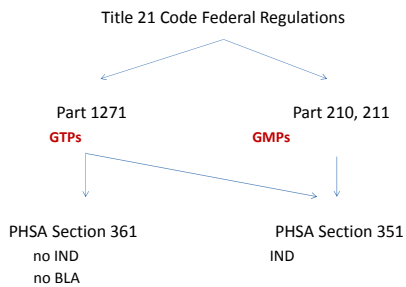
Facility Blueprint As Built 2012



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HCT/Ps Regulation (Human cells, tissues or tissue-based products)



<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/medical-device-databases/code-federal-regulations-title-21-food-and-drugs>

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361 HCT/Ps

- Amniotic membrane when used alone or without added cells
- Bone
- Cartilage
- Cornea
- Fascia
- Ligament
- Pericardium
- Peripheral or umbilical cord blood stem cells (for autologous use or use in a first or second degree blood relative)
- Sclera
- Skin
- Tendon
- Vascular graft
- Heart valves
- Dura mater
- Reproductive cells and tissues (e.g., semen, oocytes, embryos)

All of the above are minimally manipulated, intended for homologous use only, and not combined with another article, with some exceptions.

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351 HCT/Ps

- Cultured Cartilage Cells
- Cultured Nerve Cells
- Lymphocyte Immune Therapy
- Gene Therapy Products
- Human Cloning
- Human Cells Used In Therapy Involving The Transfer Of Genetic Material (Cell Nuclei, Oocyte Nuclei, Mitochondrial Genetic Material In Ooplasm, Genetic Material Contained In A Genetic Vector)
- Unrelated Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cells
- Unrelated Donor Lymphocytes For Infusion

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Incremental Approach to CMC Development




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FDA Guidance Documents
cGMPs

- CGMP for Phase 1 Investigational Drugs (2008)
<https://www.fda.gov/media/70975/download>
- INDs for Phase 2 and Phase 3 Studies Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls Information (2003)
<https://www.fda.gov/media/70822/download>

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cGMPs
21 CFR Parts 210-226, 600-680

PART 211 - CURRENT GOOD MANUFACTURING PRACTICE FOR FINISHED PHARMACEUTICALS

- A. General Provisions
- B. Organization and Personnel
- C. Buildings and Facilities
- D. Equipment
- E. Control of Components and Drug Product Containers and Closures
- F. Production and Process Controls
- G. Packaging and Labeling Control
- H. Holding and Distribution
- I. Laboratory Controls
- J. Records and Reports
- K. Returned and Salvaged Drug Products


<https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfcr/CFRSearch.cfm?CFRPart=211>

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FDA Guidance Documents
cGMPs

- CGMP for Phase 1 Investigational Drugs (2008)

“...investigational new drugs (IND) used in phase 1 clinical trials are exempt from complying with 21 CFR part 211”

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CGMP for Phase 1 Investigational Drugs (2008)

VI. SPECIAL MANUFACTURING SITUATIONS

A. Multi-Product Facilities

- manufacture only one phase 1 investigational drug at any given time in an area or room separate from unrelated activities
- However, same area or room can be used for multiple purposes, including manufacture of other investigational products or laboratory research **if appropriate cleaning and procedural controls are in place to ensure no carry-over of materials or products, or mix-ups**
- the design or layout should promote orderly handling of materials and equipment, the **prevention of mix-ups, and the prevention of contamination** of equipment or product by substances, previously manufactured products, personnel, or environmental conditions
- **SOPs for clearing the room of previous product materials**, product segregation, component segregation, and use of unique product identifiers

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CGMP for Phase 1 Investigational Drugs (2008)

VI. SPECIAL MANUFACTURING SITUATIONS

C. Sterile Products/Aseptically Processed Products

- Conduct aseptic manipulation in an aseptic workstation (e.g., laminar air flow workbench, **biosafety cabinets**, or barrier isolator system) under laminar airflow conditions that meet Class A, ISO 5
- Conduct a **process simulation using bacterial growth media** to demonstrate that the aseptic processing/controls and production environment are capable of producing a sterile drug
- Performing **environmental monitoring** of the aseptic workstation during processing to ensure appropriate microbiological control (settling plates or active air monitoring)

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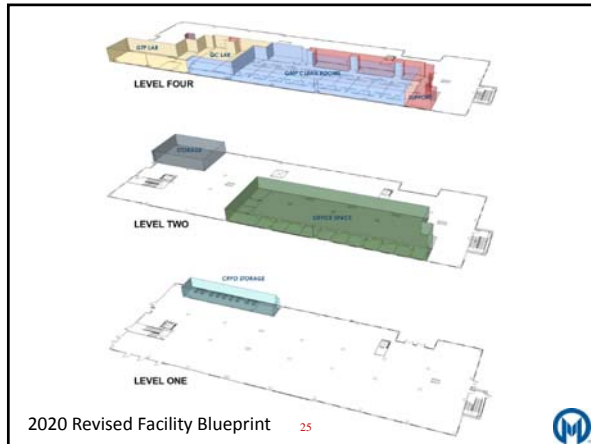


Facility Blueprint As Built
2012



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ISO 8 GTP Lab

| Number | Room Name: | ISO Classification: |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 484C | GTP PROCESSING FACILITY | ISO Class 8 |
| Description: This room is where processing of human tissue regulated under 21 CFR Part 1271 is performed. Materials processed in this room are administered to patients only within the United States. | | |
| Occupancy: 5 - 7 people | | |
| Environmental Ranges: | | 72°F +/- 2°F; NMT 65%RH |
| Minimum Total ACPH: | | NLT 20 From HVAC |
| Fresh ACPH: | | By the engineer |
| Cleanroom Finishes Required: | | Yes. Must be easily cleaned. |
| Terminal HEPA Filtration Required: | | Yes |
| Low Wall Exhaust or Return Required: | | Yes. Existing |
| Specialty equipment requiring wider door or taller ceiling? | | Yes. BSCs. |

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- ### Conclusions
- Doubled square footage (10,000 → 20,000)
 - Reagent & supply & LN2 freezer storage (3x)
 - Administrative offices & tech workstations (3x)
 - Quality Control Lab (+300 sf)
 - New ISO 8 GTP Lab
 - Transition all IND-enabling pre-clinical work
 - Adequate for SOC BMT & Phase 1 clinical trials
 - Decreased manufacturing and monitoring costs
 - Improved working environment for staff
 - Total new construction cost = \$1.4 M
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Design, Construction and Commissioning of an Academic Cellular Manufacturing Facility

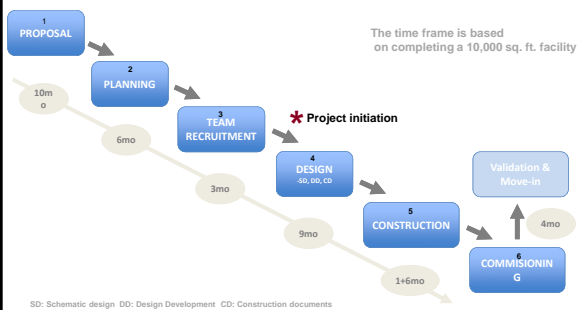
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SCOPE AND GOAL OF THE PROJECT


- Build a hybrid facility capable of manufacturing 361 and 351 categories of cellular therapy products.
- Spaces consisting ISO8 (GTP), ISO7 (cGMP) and other ancillary areas.
- Overall facility that supports a 350 standard of care stem cell transplants per year and approximately 700 cellular therapy products including novel cell therapies for the next 10 years.
- A facility with product development capabilities for IND filings.
- To build a facility consistent with FDA requirements (21CFR 1271, 211,610) for manufacture of human cellular therapy products (HCTPs) that meet basic criteria of cellular potency, viability, sterility and stability.

THE ROAD MAP FOR ACHIEVING GOAL




PROPOSAL **JUSTIFICATION OF NEED TO THE LEADERSHIP**

- ❑ **Need**
 - Information regarding current volumes and projected growth over 5-10 yrs.
 - Information regarding increasing efficiency (new technologies and automation).
 - Information regarding the need for developing novel cell therapies.
 - Information on potential new revenue.
 - Approximate/estimate cost of the new facility (ie: \$ all-in/1,000/sq feet).
- ❑ **Method of communication**
 - A program workshop with hospital leadership on hand.
 - A detailed proposal and follow up face-to-face meeting.


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PLANNING **ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE PLANNING**

- ❑ **Engage the head of institutional space planner**
 - Educate about the type of work, tour the current facility.
 - Provide a hand-drawn space diagram along with approximate square footage of each space needed.
 - Communicate the ideal space will be an existing shell space if the facility will be housed within the medical center/university (an external site is possible).
- ❑ **University of Chicago Facility**
 - Constructed in an existing empty shell space within 5 min walk from the previous facility.
 - Shell space occupies approximately 10,000 square feet.
 - In a isolated area away from patient traffic.


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PLANNING **ENGAGE AN EXTERNAL ARCHITECT FIRM**
-For cost estimation and feasibility purposes only – pre-design phase

- Select final space together with internal space planner, external architect and the owner (stake holder).
- Architect drawing using owner hand-drawn plan.
- Secure an initial cost estimate from a consultant architect firm.
- Obtain final approval of budget from the leadership.
- Begin recruitment/solicit bids of a qualified company for design and engineering.


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PLANNING **MAJOR ELEMENTS OF PROJECT BUDGET**
 - Not necessarily the highest cost items

- Design and engineering drawings.
- Costs associated with HVAC systems.
- Costs associated with cGMP consultants, permits and regulatory compliance.
- Costs associated with construction and interior finishes.
- Costs associated with commissioning, validation, IQ/OQ.
- Central monitoring systems (e Johnson control and REES).
- Medical Equipment.

(Note: Medical equipment costs will depend on complete new purchase or using existing equipment)

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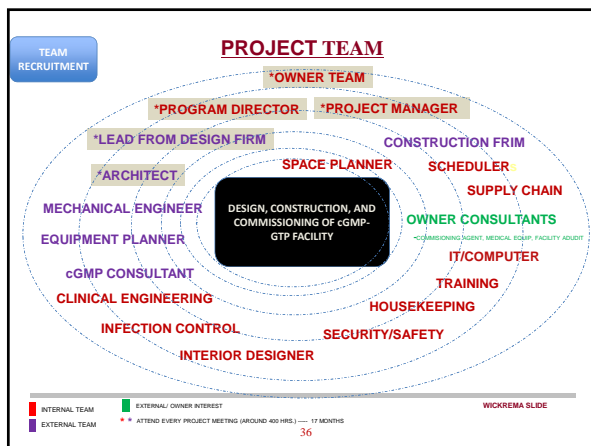
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PLANNING **BUDGET/COST CONTINUED.....**
 (based on build out of an empty shell space of 10,000 square feet)

- Typical costs of major items: (Total budget 7.6 million US)
 - Design, architectural and engineering firm (\$750K).
 - Construction/HAVC (\$ 4.4 million).
 - Commissioning agent –owner hired (\$ 80K).
 - Medical equipment (\$ 1.1 million).
 - Contingency (\$450K).

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DESIGN PRINCIPLES GUIDING DESIGN METRICS

- A hybrid facility that is multifunctional.
- Consistent with FDA guidelines (21CFR parts 1271, 211, 610).
- Manufacture covers steps of recovery, processing, storage, labeling, packaging, distribution and testing/screening (361 & 351 prod).
- Adequate space and segregated areas capable of processing multiple human cell or tissue based products (HCT/PS).
- Physical facility design aimed at minimizing introduction of microbial contamination (Uni-directional flow, medical grade finishes, workflow segregation).

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DESIGN HVAC AND ENGINEERING METRICS

- 100% redundant two air handlers servicing work spaces. A third handler servicing office area (ISO7-30/50 ACH; ISO8-20 ACH).
- A single air pass setup. 0.05 pressure gradient. No phoenix valves.
- Equipped with HEPA filters both at source and terminal spaces.
- ISO7 spaces have positive and negative pressured suites.
- Piped-in gasses, vacuum and liq N2.
- Redundant remote monitoring and UPS systems for power.
- Connected to building back-up power system.

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DESIGN FACILITY SPACES

- ISO8 GTP cell processing area (4 work stations)--height adjustable BSCs.
- ISO8 QC/product development space.
- ISO7 cGMP cell processing suites (2 +1).
- Uni directional gown-in and gown-out spaces.
- Material storage, Material pass, cGMP cleaning supply room, Locker room.
- Material receipt area, non-cGMP cleaning supply room, Biowaste room.
- Mechanical space, gases and Liquid N2 storage space (within the shell space).
- Offices and document storage, private bathroom, kitchen and conference room, private internal corridors.

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DESIGN OTHER DESIGN FEATURES

- **Comfort, esthetic and non-essential features:**
 - Custom lighting throughout, height adjustable BSCs.
 - See-through glass panels throughout the facility.
 - State of the art automatic doors that slide as well as swing.
 - Unobstructed island work spaces with ceiling plug-ins.
 - 10 feet high ceiling in non-cGMP spaces.
 - Staff amenity space, staff office space, private bathroom, conference room.

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CONSTRUCTION ASPECTS DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Construction phase required very little input of the owner team compared to all other phases (Supervision by design firm and internal project manager).
- Aspects to pay attention:
 - All changes and substitutions of materials and any changes to the layout and HVAC should be pre-approved by owner team.
 - Periodic tour/inspection of the construction space.
 - Opportunity for owner team to try out finishes/materials (flooring, lighting etc.).

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HYBRID CELL PROCESSING FACILITY LAYOUT (8000 SQFT. Manufacturing space)

GTP processing 980 sf.
 QC/development 543 sf.
 GMP workspace 516 sf.
 Clean storage 378 sf.
 Mechanical space 1090

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CONSTRUCTION

FULL-SCALE MOCK UP

- 100% Scale mock-up of GTP, QC, and cGMP spaces (extremely valuable)
- An opportunity to adjust layout and design of work spaces and personnel



COMPLETED FACILITY SPACES



COMPLETED ISO7 SPACE



TO AVOID SECOND GUESSING AT THE END OF THE PROJECT

- Visit similar facilities that has been commissioned recently.
- Retain and engage an experienced advisor in the field (outside of the design firm) outside of relying on recommendations of the design firm only.
- Entertain multiple bids from design firms. Face-to-face interview prior to hiring. The lowest bid should not be a criterion for selecting a firm.
- Be engaged in all decisions from start to finish as the "owner" (minimize delegation).
- The "owner" or his/her staff member must attend all project meetings (around 400 hrs).
- Do not compromise on HVAC and other engineering features to save money for equipment and/or esthetic aspects.

COMMISSIONING
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Validation &
Move-in

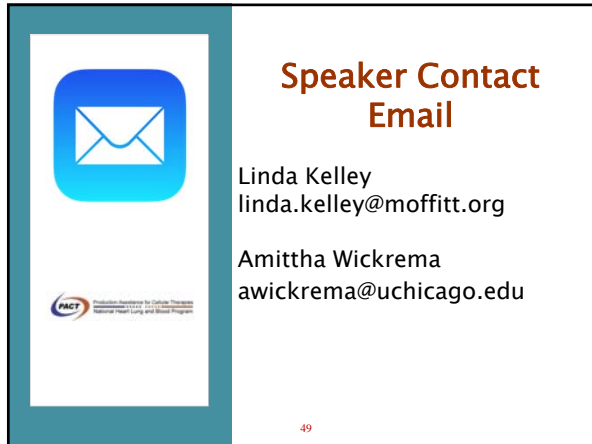
SUMMARY OF ITEMS POST CONSTRUCTION

- **Initiate commissioning activities end of substantial completion**
 - Independent commissioning agent certify all HVAC and other mechanical metrics as stated in the design plans.
 - Perform IQ/OQ functions for medical and non-medical equipment.
 - Comprehensive walk through by owner and project manager.
- **Initiate pre- move-in validation activities**
 - Follow owner designed *master validation plan*:
 - Include process validations (budgeted US \$50K)
 - Include equipment and space validations.

performed by cell processing staff



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