

Stem Sel® your best *cell*ection



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"Method and device to fractionate stem cells" (Patented, UniBO)

Adult stem cells



The research-based IP





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Users need instrumentation, not prototypes!

About

- \bigcirc Stem Sel Srl is an innovative PMI founded in 2013 as a spin-off company from the University of Bologna. It is participated by the Academic Team, **Business Angels**, the incubator **AlmaCube Srl**, the two investment funds Berrier Capital Srl (through Start Club S.r.l.) and O.G.I.I. (LendLease Group), and by crowdfunding investors. In 2024, it was financed by **CDP «Rilancio Start-Up**» through a "convertible equity instrument" (SFP).
- **Mission** is R&D, industrial engineering, and commercialization of an instrument, based on an **innovative technology**, with the goal to become the gold standard for non-invasive selection, counting and characterization of cells for ATMPs.
- Therefore, Stem Sel Srl has developed **Celector**[®], based on a **worldwide proprietary technology and** device. Chromatography is one of the most used techniques for QC of molecules and nanoparticles, used as drugs, but of course it can not be applied to living cells: Celector[®] is the cell chromatograph.



Celector[®] / World-wide patented IP

CA 2649234

US 8263359

Canada 2958118

USA 20170241959

Method and device to fractionate stem cells

Stem Sel[®] and Celector[®] are registered trademark in Europe, USA, Canada, Korea and Japan

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Japan 6487035

Corea 2017-7006398

IT 0001426514

IT 1371772

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China 201550056727

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Method and device to separate totipotent stem cells

Device for the fractionation of objects and fractionation method

Celector[®] / Patented device

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(54) Title: DEVICE FOR THE FRACTIONATION OF OBJECTS AND FRACTIONATION METHOD



16/027204(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a device and a method for dynamic fractionation of a dispersed phase in a fluid. The device comprises a fractionation channel and from a first to a third injection ports. A first and a second confining fluids are inject able through the first and second injection ports, respectively. An elution fluid for transporting the dispersed phase is injectable into 0 the channel through a third injection port which is arranged between the first and second injection ports. An end portion of the channel comprises from a first to a third terminal portion respectively arranged in correspondence to the first to the third injection ports and having a geometry such that the first and second confining fluids respectively have a first and second predefined flow rate and the elution fluid have a third predefined flow rate which is larger than the first and second predefined flow rates.

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Problem

- Cell products for therapeutic use are considered drugs (Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products ATMPs).
- Quality control and safety measures are mandatory.
- Methodologies to purify, count, select and collect living cells are not as yet present on the market when clients' requirements are the following:
 - minimal manipulation criteria
 - no modification of viability and cell properties
 - work on complex biological samples

Solving

Celector[®] is our solution to cell SORTING and PURIFICATION and their QUALITY CONTROL in ATMPs.



Celector[®] Lab is already on the market to answer the unmet needs of QC and analysis of cell products for ATMPs.



ATMP Market



Global ATMP Market 2022 (%)*



NEW ATMP FRONTIERS



Other Precision Advanced Therapies based on the study and use of organoids, extracellular vesicles, and secretome

CAGR (2022 – 2028): 13%

*Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products Market Size, Share & Trends Analysis Report by Therapy Type (CAR-T, Gene, Cell, Stem Cell Therapy), by Region (North America, Europe, APAC, ROW), and Segment Forecasts, 2021 - 2028

Stem Cell Therapy

- Stem cells repair tissue and organs and are increasingly used to treat degenerative diseases
- Stem cells mimic organ behavior to test new drugs
- Stem cells are used in the field of **Tissue**-Engineered Products, Somatic Cell Therapy Products and Combined ATMPs

The principal key players are Cell Applications Inc., Cyagen Biosciences Inc., Axol Bioscience Ltd., Cytori Therapeutics Inc., Stem Cell Technologies Inc., Celprogen Inc., BrainStorm Cell Therapeutics Inc., Stemedica Cell Technologies Inc.

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8,5% (10,7% Asia/Pacific)

Celector[®] / Applications

CELL-BASED ATMPs

Quality control and selection of target cells

 \rightarrow Optimize the production of patented «best cells»

 \rightarrow Decrease production time and costs by 50%

- Increase production's contribution margin
- Follow regulatory compliance
- Ease the achievement of GMP requirements (Good Manufacturing) Practice)
- Reduce the risk of failure to reach clinical trial phase

PHARMA

Optimize the production of stem cells and organoids used as a model for «drug discovery»

Strength the "in vitro" drug test efficacy, robustness and descriptiveness of new drugs for patients







Celector[®]/ Target clients





BIOTECH AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES HOSPITAL AND SURGERY CENTRES

ACCADEMIC LABS, RESEARCH LABS AND CRO





CELL AND TISSUE

BANKS



OTHERS (EG: VETERINARY)

Celector[®]/ Selection of MSCs from bone marrow

Quality Control and Selection of «elusive to tag» cells for *in vitro* or *in vivo* applications

- Cell isolation and separation from **«raw»** \bigcirc ex-vivo samples
- Real-time images acquisition and cell \bigcirc counting using a micro-camera (sample cellularity)
- Select & Collect different sub-populations \bigcirc of «elusive to tag» cells at a rate of 2.5 millions processed cells/hour.





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CONC

20 DAYS



Bone marrow concentrate (using IOR G1 by Novagenit srl) In collaboration with RAMSES Lab, Rizzoli Institute (Bologna)

Zia S. et al. Effective Label-Free Sorting of Multipotent Mesenchymal Stem Cells from Clinical Bone Marrow Samples. Bioengineering (Basel). 2022

SELECTION AND COLLECTION OF THE "BEST" STEM CELLS FOR A CARTILAGE RECONSTRUCTION CLINICAL TRIAL

MORPHOLOGY









F3 F2 F1 15[.] 10 CFU-F CTRL F1 F2 F3

Celector[®]/ The evolution





Celector[®] Lab / How it works



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