

**Supplementary Information****Supplementary Table. Major clinical trial of stem cells for stroke therapy.**

Cell type	Dose (cell number)	Route	Transplant timing after stroke	Treated patient number (Control)	Experimental design (NCT number)	Follow-up time	Functional outcome measure	Major outcome
<b>Acute ischemic stroke</b>								
Allogeneic multipotent adult progenitor cell	0.4×10 <sup>9</sup> ; 1.2×10 <sup>9</sup>	IV	1-2 days	65 (61)	Randomized double-blind phase II trial (NCT01436487)	12 month	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe; but no significant improvement of neurological function[1]
Autologous BM-MNC	7-10×10 <sup>6</sup> /kg	IV	1-3 days	10	Open-label prospective trial	6 month	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe[2]
Autologous BM-MNC	1.6×10 <sup>8</sup>	IA	5-9 days	10 (10)	Assessor-blind phase I/II trial	6 month	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe[3]
Autologous BM-MNC	2×10 <sup>6</sup> /kg; 5×10 <sup>6</sup> /kg	IA	1-7 days	38(38)	Randomized assessor-blind phase II trial (NCT02178657)	2 years	mRS, NIHSS	Safe; but no significant improvement in neurological function[4]

Autologous BMSC and EPC	$3 \times 10^8$	IV	1 month	12 (6)	Randomized assessor-blind phase I/IIa trial (NCT01468064)	4 years	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe, but no significant improvement of neurological function[5]
<b>Sub-acute ischemic stroke</b>								
Autologous BM-MNC	$2.8 \times 10^8$	IV	18 days	60(60)	Randomized assessor-blind phase II trial (NCT0150177)	12 months	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe, but no significant improvement of neurological function[6]
Autologous BM-MNC	$1 \times 10^6$	IA	2-4 weeks	21(18)	Open-label randomized assessor-blind trial	12 months	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe, but no significant improvement of neurological function[7]
Autologous BM-MNC	$5 \times 10^8$	IA	1-2 weeks	10 (10)	Open-label prospective randomized assessor-blind trial	6 months	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe, improvement of neurological function[8]
Autologous BM-MNC (ALD-401)	$3 \times 10^6$	IA	2-3 weeks	29 (17)	Randomized assessor-blinded phase II trial (NCT01273337)	12 months	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe, but no significant improvement of neurological function[9]
Autologous BM-MSC	$2 \times 10^6 / \text{kg}$	IV	1-2 months	9 (8)	Randomized assessor-blinded phase II trial (NCT01461720)	12 months	mRS, NIHSS, BI	Safe; but no significant improvement of neurological function[10]
Autologo	$1 \times 10^8$ ;	IV	1-2	16(15)	Open-label	2 years	mRS,	Improvement of motor

us BM-MSC	$3 \times 10^8$		months		randomized phase II trial (NCT 00875654)		NIHSS, BI	function[11]
Autologous MSC	$1 \times 10^8$	IV	2 months	16(36)	Open-label randomized, assessor-blind trial	5 years	mRS, Survival rate	Safe, improvement of neurological function, less mortality for 5 years[12]
<b>Chronic ischemic stroke</b>								
NSC (CTX0E0 3)	$2 \times 10^6$ ; $5 \times 10^6$ ; $10 \times 10^6$ ; $20 \times 10^6$	IC	6-60 months	12	Open-label phase I trial (NCT01151124)	2 years	NIHSS, BI, Ashworth	Safe, improvement of neurological function[13]
NSC (CTX0E0 3)	$20 \times 10^6$	IC	2-12 months	21	Open-label prospective phase II trial NCT02117635	12 months	ARAT	Safe, improvement of upper limb function[14]
Allogeneic BM-MSC (SB623 cell)	$2.5 \times 10^6$ ; $5.0 \times 10^6$ ; $10 \times 10^6$	IC	6-60 months	18	Open-label phase I/IIa trial (NCT01287936)	2 years	ESS, NIHSS, FM	Safe, improvement of neurological function[15]
Allogeneic BM-MSC (SB623 cell)	$2.5 \times 10^6$ ; $5.0 \times 10^6$	IC	6-90 months	104(52)	Randomized double-blind phase II trial (NCT02448641)	12 months	FMMS, mRS, ARAT	No significant improvement in neurological function
Allogeneic	$0.5 \times 10^6/kg$	IV	7	36	Randomized phase	12 months	NIHSS,	Safe, improvement of

c BM-MSC (hypoxia treated)	$1 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$ ; $1.5 \times 10^6/\text{kg}$		months-2 5 years		I/II trial (NCT01297413)		BI	neurological function[16]
<b>Hemorrhagic stroke</b>								
Autologous BM-MNC	$0.25\text{-}2.3 \times 10^7$	IC	5-7day	60(40)	Assessor-blind phase I trial	6 months	NIHSS, BI	Safe, improvement of neurological function[17]
Autologous BM-MNC / BM-MSC	MNC: $0.17\text{-}1.5 \times 10^6$ ; MSC: $1.7\text{-}3.2 \times 10^4$	IC (MNC); IT (MSC)	3-28 day	100(96)	Assessor-blind phase I trial	12 months	NIHSS, RS, BI	Safe, short-term improvement of neurological function[18]

BM-MNC: Bone marrow mononuclear cell; MSC: Mesenchymal stem cell; BM-MSC: Bone marrow mesenchymal stem cell; BMSC: Bone marrow stem cell; EPC: Endothelial progenitor cell; NSC: Neural stem cell; IV: intravenous; IA: intraarterial; IC: intracerebral; IT: intracerebroventricular; mRS: modified Rankin Scale, NIHSS: National Institute of Health Stroke Scale; BI: Barthel Index; ESS: European Stroke Scale; ARAT: Action Research Arm Test; FM: Fugl-Meyer Assessment; FMMS: Fugl-Meyer Motor Total Score; RS: Rankin scale. Note: The staging of strokes in Supplementary Table is based on the actual staging descriptions of recruited stroke patients in various clinical trials.

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