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ADEBIOTECH : Cell Factories for Industrial Bioproduction

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HTL's key figures



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30 YEARS OF EXPERTISE	R&D AND MANUFACTURING PLATFORM	KEY MARKETS
#1	#1	100+
Global provider of pharma-grade Hyaluronic Acid	Global manufacturer of biopolymers with 2 plants – GMP compliant	Customers located in 30+ countries
1992	2.3x	100%
Company founded by Michèle Ranson, Pharmacist	Capacity increase in 2021	Health Care applications
193	15	200+ millions
Number of employees working daily with excellence to serve clients	Projects in external R&D pipeline	Syringes containing HTL's hyaluronic acid have been safely used since 2006

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Proprietary Manufacturing Process



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Origin of the molecule : heparan sulfate precusor





STRUCTURE, PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL BEHAVIOURS CLOSE TO HYALURONIC ACID

Repetitive unit similar to Hyaluronic Acid, but difference in glycosidic bonds

- The heparosan polysaccharide is comprised of a [\rightarrow 4) β-D-glucuronic acid (GlcA) (1 \rightarrow 4) N-acetyl- α-D-glucosamine (GlcNAc) (1 \rightarrow]_n repeating disaccharide unit
- Hyaluronic acid is a polymer of disaccharides, themselves composed of D-glucuronic acid and N-acetyl-D-glucosamine, linked via alternating β -(1 \rightarrow 4) and β -(1 \rightarrow 3) glycosidic bonds



A new Glycosaminoglycan for medical applications



Evolution of the M_w after hyaluronidase digestion



Hyaluronidase digests HA but not HPN



For close HA and HPN MW some properties could vary

Similar rheological properties for Hyaluronic Acid and Heparosan (HPN) at the same MW

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Conclusions







Project specifications

1°) High molecular Heparosan targeted

2°) Molecule purity compliant with injectable use

3°) Quality by Design approach

4°) Natural or edited strain ?

5°) cGMP process

6°) Low carbon footprint

Heparosan

Constraints associated to

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the development of a novel

polysaccharide by fermentation

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HTL Heparosan production technology





E. Coli GMM Nutrients Carbon source





Downstream Processing: Proprietary Know-How of HTL

HTL Fermentation Technology Medium composition, stirring, mass transfer...

- Endotoxins reduction from 10⁹ to less than 500 UE/mg
- Maturity technology :
 - TRL6 =>7 end of 2021
- 🗻 Heparosan samples available under MTA



Wide Range of MW upon request

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Heparosan development process

>>> Designed a strain and additional modifications to integrate industrial constraints

- Robustness
- No antibiotics resistance markers remaining in the strain
- No more induction

Designed a state-of-the-art full cGMP compliant pilot facility

- Fermentor up to 1 000 liters
- Versatile DSP able to purify most of polysaccharides
- Development of a very efficient DSP
 - To reduce endotoxins level to an acceptable level for parenteral use
 - Remove most of impurities to maintain the good safety profile of Heparosan

Implemented a QbD methodology to secure quality compliance and industrial performances





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