

Hemodynamic laboratory

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History

- 1951: Research Institute for Pharmacy and Biochemistry in Prague 250 drugs (29 original substances) Pelentan, Kebuzon, Dosulepin, Metipranolol Full chain of drug development
- 1999: Privatization and splitting off RIPB into several private companies BioTest s.r.o. (branch of pre-clinical toxicology)

April 1, 2013: Change the company name to MediTox s.r.o.





Main Actvities

Preclinical R&D

Cardiovascular disorders, diabetes, preclinical vaccine development neurodegenerative diseases, ophthalmic diseases

Comprehensive Toxicological Program

Human & veterinary pharmaceuticals/biological, food additives, medical devices (PHARM) chemicals & agrochemicals (REACH)

Animal Models of Selected Human Diseases

Laboratory Animals Breeding

Non-human primates, dogs, rodents





Certification

Good Laboratory Practice Certificate OECD GLP [C(97)186 Final] Pharmaceuticals, medical devices and food additives (PHARMA)

Good Laboratory Practice Certificate OECD GLP [C(97)186 Final] Chemicals, agrochemicals (REACH)

Authorization for Using of Experimental Animals The Central Committee for Animal Protection of the Ministry of Agriculture

Authorization for Breeding of Experimental Animals The Central Committee for Animal Protection of the Ministry of Agriculture

Approval for handling with GMO in compliance with Act No. 153/2000 Coll.





Summary Information

Structure of exprimental work

R&D activities	31 %
Contract-based activities	69 %
GLP	58 %
Non-GLP	42 %

Staff structure

Total number	50		
University educated	30 %		
High school educated	63 %		

Structure of clients

Czech Republic	15 %		
Europe	65 %		
Asia	9 %		
North America	9 %		
Australia	2 %		
Pharma/Biotech	68 %		
Chem/Agrochem	11 %		
Research org.	21 %		







Selected R&D Projects - international

Framework Program 7:

ANTIFLU: Innovative anti-influenza drugs exluding viral escape (Denmark, France, <u>Germany</u>, Hungary, Israel, United Kingdom, Czech Republic)

OSTEOGROW: Novel bone morphogenetic protein-6 biocompatible carrier device for bone

(Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Sweden)

MOTIF: Micorbicide optimization through innovative formulation for vaginal and rectal delivery (Czech Republic, France, Italy, United Kingdom)

HELICOVAXOR: Development of an oral Helicobacter Pylori vaccine (Belgium, Czech Republic, France, Switzerland, United Kingdom)

UNIVERSAL VACCINE: Synthetic self-replicationg RNA vaccines targeted to dendritic cells as "universal" influenza and future generic vaccines (Czech Republic, France, Germany, Norway, Russia, Switzerland)





National R&D Projects

Technology Agency of The Czech Republic:

BIOMEDTEST: Biomedical models of traumatic spinal cord injury and neurodegenerative diseases in miniature pigs for testing of new therapeutic approaches Participants: Institut of Animal Physology & Genetics CAS, BioTest s.r.o.)

ODDC: Original Drug Development Center

Participants: Institut of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry CAS, Institut of Chemical Technology, Institut of Experimental Medicine Cas, Institut of Physiology CAS, BioTest s.r.o., Quinta-Analytica s.r.o., Apigenex s.r.o.)





Collaboration within associations and clusters

CzechBio – Association of Czech biotechnology companies

MedChemBio Cluster – Cluster of Medicinal Chemistry and Cemical Biology







Experimental models of myocardial infarction (beagle dog)

The occurrence of left ventricular dysfunction shortly following the onset of a myocardial infarction is mimicked by ligation of the left coronary artery which producing myocardial ischemia followed by heart reperfusion.

At the end of reperfusion, morphometric analysis of area at risk and area of infarction was performed using computerized program and the infarct size was determined by the weight of infarct over the weight of area at risk.

Arteria coronaria occlusion 90-minute ischemia following 5-hour reperfusion



Myocardial section (Coomassie blue injected into *arteria coronaria*): Dark blue – intact myocardium Red – ischemia zone White - infarctation zone







Experimental model of diabetes – macaque rhesus

Serum Glucose Concentration [mmol/l]										
	09/10	01/11	06/1	1	12/11	01/12	06/12	12/12		
Females (pre-diabetic)	8.9 – 15,8	8,13 – 9,52	8,3 -	8,9	8,3 – 10,2	8,9 – 9,5	9,5 – 11,1	10,8 - 13,8		
Males (pre-diabetic)	6,7 – 10,9	5,3 - 7,0	5,6 -	8,7	7,6 – 9,5	6,3– 8,1	6,9 – 11,3	6.8 - 11,5		
BioTest Ref. Values (Males)*	3,9 – 5,5									
BioTest Ref. Values (Females)*	3,0-4,7									
Clinical Laboratory Animal Medicine **	2,9 – 4,8									
The Laboratory Primate***	2,6 - 3,9									

* Reference Values, Clinical Chemistry Values, 2009: Unpublished data, BioTest s.r.o.

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Chronic traumatic spinal cord injury model, pig

Computer-managed device has been developed providing strictly repeatable spinal cord injury, either in the thoracal or lumbal region, allowing the long lasting survival of paraplegic animals.

All essential reflexes (feeding, urination and defecation) are in function, so no infectious complications exist under laboratory conditions

The model is ready to use for:

- stem cell therapy
- pharmacological approaches to a longlasting treatment of paraplegia.



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Contract-Based Experimental Services

General Toxicology, Pharmacology and Non-Clinical Safety

Acute (Single dose) toxicity, MTD/DRF, sub-acute, sub-chronic, chronic toxicity (rodents and non-rodents)

PK/BA/BEQ/Biodistribution studies (rodents & non-rodents)

Immunogenicity/Immunotoxicity studies (rodents & non-rodents)

Safety pharmacology studies (non-rodents)

Non-clinical evaluation of anti-cancer pharmaceuticals (rodents & non-rodents)

Pre-clincal safety evaluation of biotech-derived products (rodents & non-rodents)

Non-clinical implantation studies (rodents & non-rodents)

Biocompatibility and non-clinical local tolerance of medicinal products





Contract-Based Experimental Services

Genetic Toxicology, Cytotoxicity

Gene mutation in bacteria (*in vitro*) Mammalian cell chromosome aberration (*in vitro*) Mammalian cell micronucleus test (*in vitro* & *in vitro*)

Local Effects

Skin/Eye irritation (in vivo)
Skin sensitization/Allergization (GMPT, Buehler test, LLNA)
Local tolerance studies (rodents & non-rodents)
Implantation studies (rodents & non-rodents)





Contract-Based Experimental Services

Toxicity to Reproduction

Screening reproduction toxicity (rodents) Prenatal developmental toxicity (rodents) DRF for embryo-fetal developmental study (rodents) One- and Two-generation reproduction toxicity (rodents) Combined toxicuty/reproduction studies (rodents)

Carcinogenicity

Dose selection for carcinogenicity (rodents)Carcinogenicity studies (rodents)Combined toxicty and carcinogenicity studies (rodents)

Biodistribution studies

Single, repeated dose, non-labeled compounds (rodents & non-rodents)





Experimental Services

Animal models of selected human diseases

Diabetes type II model, non-human primates Diabetes type I model, rats Chronic glaucoma model, dogs Experimental infarction model, beagle dogs Liver ischemia/reperfusion injury model, beagle dogs Chronic traumatic spinal cord injury model, miniature pigs Acute contact dermatitis, pigs

Models under preparation: Diabetes in dogs

Obesity model, mice

Alzheimer disease, mice

Arthritis model, rats





Laboratory Animal Breeding

Rodents

- **Rats** (Wistar:Han), SPF quality
- Mice (NMRI), SPF quality
- Guinea Pigs (Cavia aperea f. porcellus)

Non-rodents

- Rhesus macaques (Macaca mulatta), monitored quality
- Beagle dogs, monitored quality





References

Affiris, Austria Baxter Biosciences, Austria **Bio-Assistance**, Canada **CINIC Chemicals Europe**, France **Chanelle Group** (Irland) **Dechra Veterinary Products**, UK Gelesis Inc., USA Ikaria Inc., USA Immune System Key, Israel Imperial College London, UK **JSC Pharmstandard**, Russia King's College London, UK KRKA, Croatia Lesaffre, France

Lupin Pharma, India Mabion, Poland Max-Planck Inst. of Inf. Biol. Germany **Midatech**, Switzerland NanoBioMatters Industries, Spain/Japan NovoNordisk, Denmark **OCT Clinical Trials**, USA **Oncos Therapeutics**, Finland Panacea Biotech, India Pharmathen, Griece Sanofi Group (Zentiva) Sun Pharmaceutcals, India Vetcare Oy, Finland and more...





















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