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Preliminary Report

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Analysis of GenesisCS: Human Bone Marrow Concentration

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Research Study Plan

Title: Evaluation of GenesisCS with bone marrow aspirate	
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Objective of Study: Preliminary evaluation of GenesisCS for concentration of human bone marrow aspirate.

Introduction:

Preclinical and clinical studies have suggested the benefit of using concentrated autologous bone marrow aspirate in bone repair, myocardial infarct and peripheral vascular disease. Bone marrow aspirate is often not sufficient for clinical efficacy in the absence of concentration^{1,2}. This report represents results from an evaluation of GenesisCS device for the concentration of human bone marrow-derived stem cells. Sixty mL of human bone marrow aspirate were concentrated to approximately 5 ml with the GenesisCS. Samples of the bone marrow aspirate (BMA) and resulting bone marrow concentrate (BMC) were analyzed for Total Nucleated Cells (TNC), Platelets (Plt), and CD34 positive Hematopoietic Stem Cells (HSC). Yield calculation were done for TNC, Plt and HCS.

Method:

Donor bone marrow samples, approximately 120mL, collected from two sites of the iliac crest, were obtained from Poetics (Cambrex). Bone marrow samples were collected in 30-50 units/mL of heparin. Processing and all testing were initiated within 24 hr of collection.

After obtaining a 1mL start sample from a well mixed transfer pack of BMA, two 60 mL syringes were filled with approximately 60 ml of marrow aspirate and the volumes recorded. GenesisCS disposables were filled from these syringes through the luer-lock fitting at a fill rate of approximately 1 mL/sec. Disposables were centrifuged at 2400 rpm (1020 x g) for 12 min. Two independent centrifuge runs were performed for each donor BMA from two separate donors collected on separate days for a total of four runs. Following centrifugation, the plasma layer was removed, by lowering the collection head to within 2-5mm above the buffy coat layer which contained the concentrated nucleated

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cells and platelets. Next, the remaining plasma and an additional 4 mL of the buffy coat was removed (4 ml following the first flash of RBC observed in the suction tubing above the collection device).

Analysis of BMA and BMC consisted of:

- Complete blood counts utilizing a Medtronic 620 -16 parameter hematology analyzer with extended platelet range.
- Cytometric analysis of CD34 positive hematopoietic stem/progenitor cells
- Manual differential counts on BMA and BMC samples.
- Yield of nucleated cells, platelets and CD34 positive HSCs were calculated for bone marrow concentrates

Results:

Characterization of GenesisCS BMC:

The TNC values from the hematology analyzer for pre-sample (BMA) and for product (BMC) and the calculated concentration over baseline values are shown in Table I.

Table I: Total nucleated cells (2 donors with duplicate runs)

	Volume	Total Nuclear Cells x 10 ³ /μL	Concentration Above Baseline
Bone Marrow Aspirate	60	16-23	1.0x
Bone Marrow Concentrate	4	170-271	11.5x

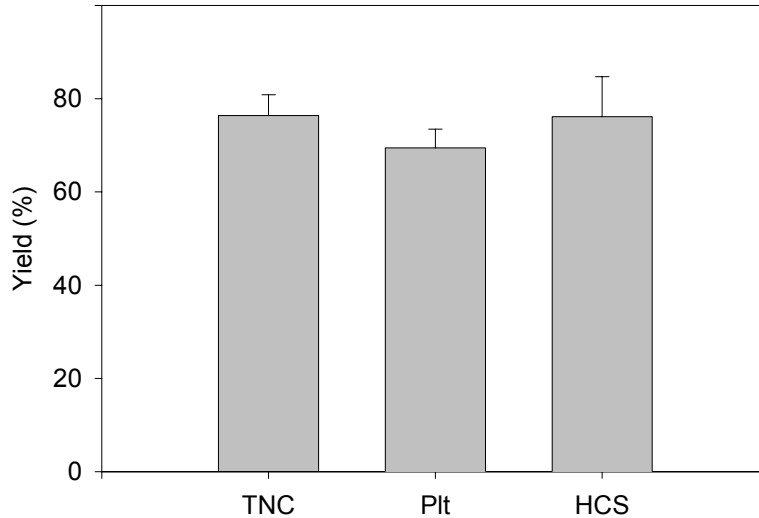
Table II lists the calculated total number of cells (volume x concentration) in BMA and BMC. TNC and Plt counts represent the values from the hematology analyzer times the volumes of BMA or BMC. HSC numbers are calculated from the percent of CD34⁺ cells gated with CD45⁺ events times the number of WBC (TNC minus nucleated red blood cells).

Table II: Total cell numbers ± SD (volume x cell concentration) 2 donors with replicates

Bone Marrow Aspirate			Bone Marrow Concentrate		
TNC x 10 ⁶	HSC x 10 ⁶	Plt x 10 ⁶	TNC x 10 ⁶	HSC x 10 ⁶	Plt x 10 ⁶
1161	9.0	10,830	894	6.9	7,623
± 239	± 1.3	± 1836	± 232	± 1.4	± 1432
Concentration factor (times baseline) In 4ml buffy coat BMC			11.6	11.5	10.6

The recovery of TNC, Plt and CD34⁺ HCS were calculated and are shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1. Recovery of TNC, Plt and CD34⁺ HCS



The percent of TNC, Plt, and CD34⁺ HSC were calculated by dividing the total number of cells recovered in the BMC by the total number present in 60ml of BMA and are represented as mean plus standard deviation for 2 donors with duplicate runs.

Summary and conclusions:

The product (BMC) yields were 76% for TNCs and CD34⁺ HSC. These yields are consistent with other point of care bone marrow concentrating devices. Platelet yields in the BMC averaged 70% and the product Hematocrit averaged 31.6% with a range of 31-40% (data not shown). Hematocrit can be adjusted by including more or less of the plasma layer during the collection of BMC. Variation within donor samples appears to less than between donors. Between donor variation will need to be determined in a larger study. However, the data from this preliminary evaluation with two donors run in duplicate, is very encouraging.

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