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# Forward Looking Statements

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# Company Overview

- BioTime is a leading cell therapy company
- 700+ cell therapy-related patents and patent applications
- Expertise differentiating pluripotent cells into specific cell types
- Delivering differentiated cells to the body to restore diminished functions, such as impaired vision, movement, or immune response to a tumor

## RECENT NEWS

Announced definitive agreement to acquire Asterias Biotherapeutics, Inc. (NYSE: AST) (the “Merger”)

If the conditions to the Merger are satisfied and the transaction closes, BioTime will focus on three clinical-stage product candidates addressing significant unmet medical needs

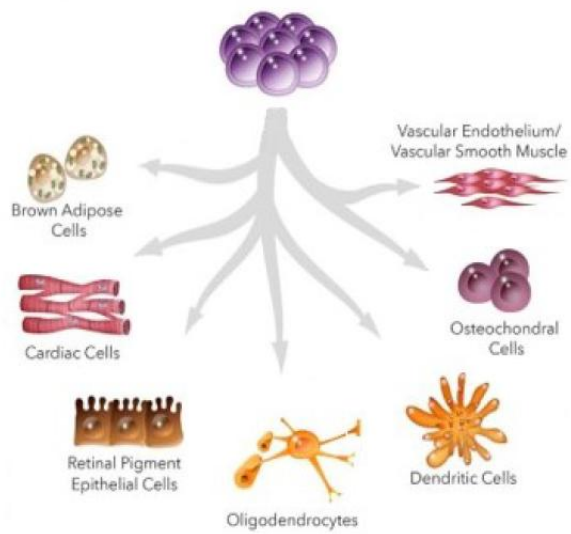


# Cell Therapy Platform Technology

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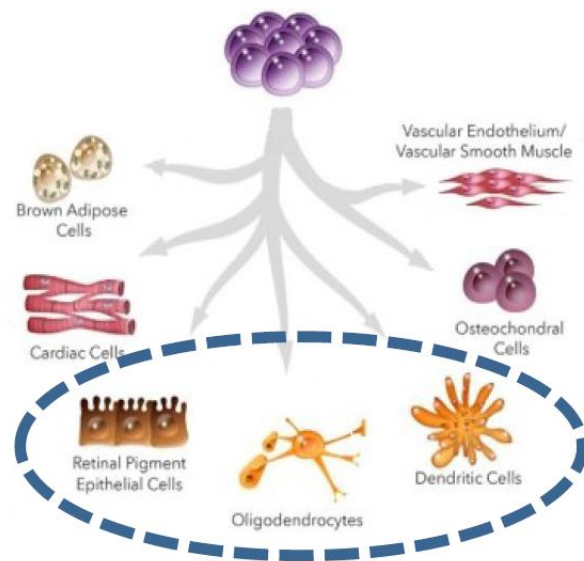
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# Proposed Combined Company Pipeline\*

Cell Therapy	Phase I	Phase II	Partnerships
<b>OpRegen® (BioTime)</b> Dry Form Adult Macular Degeneration with GA			
<b>OPC1 (Asterias)*</b> Spinal Cord Injury			
<b>VAC2 (Asterias)*</b> Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer			

## Medical Aesthetics

Clinical Trial

CE Mark

**Renevia® (BioTime)**  
HIV Lipoatrophy



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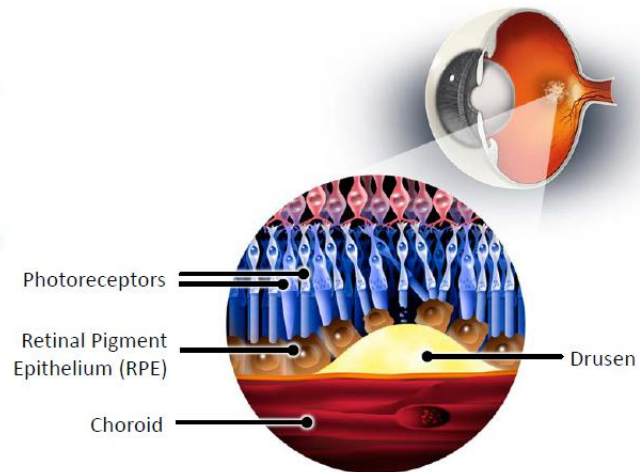
**OpRegen®**

**Retinal Pigment Epithelium  
Transplant Therapy for Dry-AMD**

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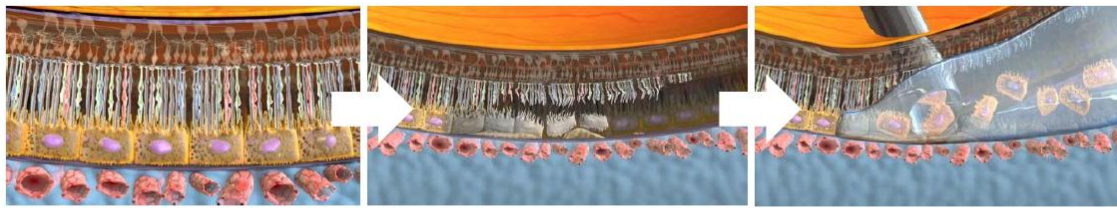
# Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD)

- AMD is a common eye disorder causing impaired central vision
- Leading cause of blindness in those over 60 years of age
- Retinal damage occurs from the build-up of acellular debris called drusen.
- Retinal pigment endothelium (RPE) cells help clear the waste material which forms drusen.
- Loss of RPE cells impairs drusen clearance and facilitates macular degeneration.



# OpRegen - Treating the Pathology of AMD

- OpRegen is a suspension of retinal pigment epithelial (RPE) cells injected sub-retinally.
- Potential Benefits of replacing RPE cells:
  - RPE organization
  - Drusen reduction
  - Photoreceptor recovery
  - Preserved or improved sight



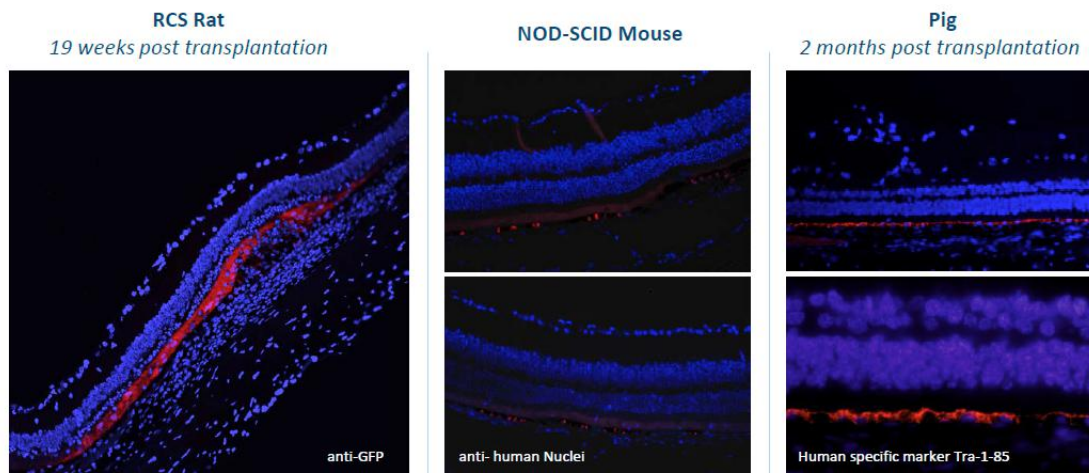
Normal Retina

RPE Death &  
Photoreceptor Damage

OpRegen®  
Replacement Cells

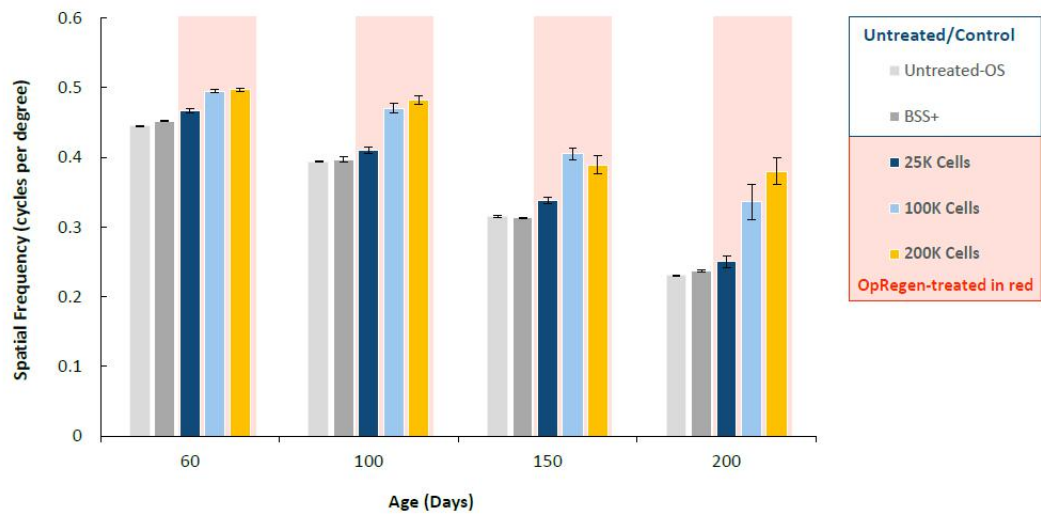
# Engraftment and Survival of Human RPE Cells

- OpRegen cells counter-stained with DAPI (in red).
- OpRegen cells form a monolayer for a sustained period.
- Evidence in multiple species.



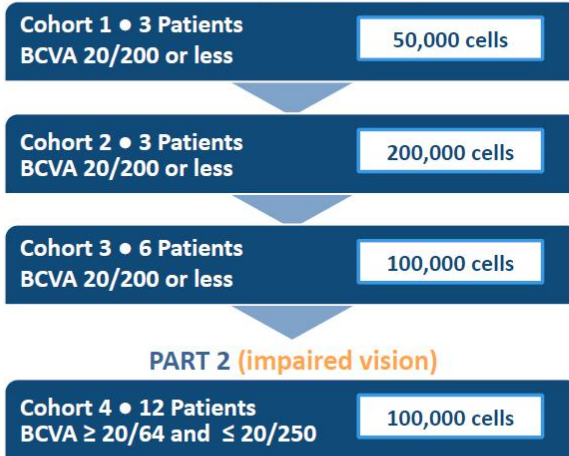
# Improved Visual Acuity in RCS Rat Model

Dose-dependent rescue of vision observed with optokinetic tracking



# OpRegen - Phase I/IIa Trial Design

## PART 1 (legally blind)



**Purpose:** To evaluate the safety and efficacy of subretinally transplanted RPE cells in patients with intermediate to advanced dry-form AMD with GA

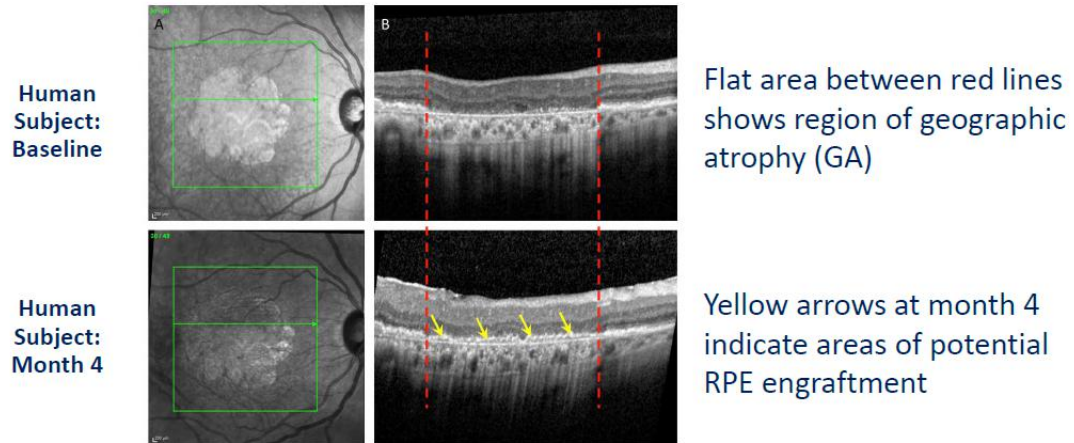
**Design:** Open label, non-randomized, sequential, and multi-center

**Dose and Administration:** Single dose of 50ul cells injected into the subretinal space

**Site Locations:** U.S.A. and Israel

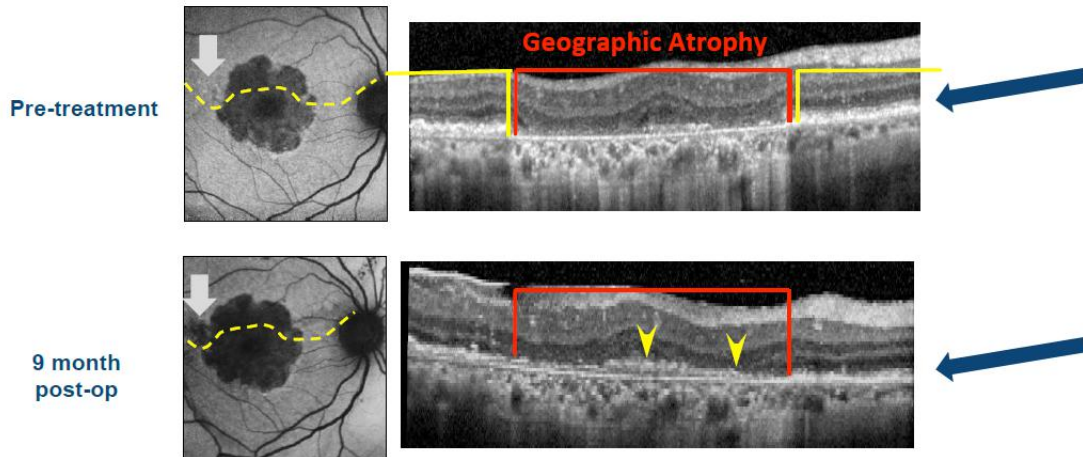
# Phase I/IIa Patient Data: Cell Engraftment

## OpRegen cells stably engraft



# Phase I/IIa Patient Data: Structural Changes

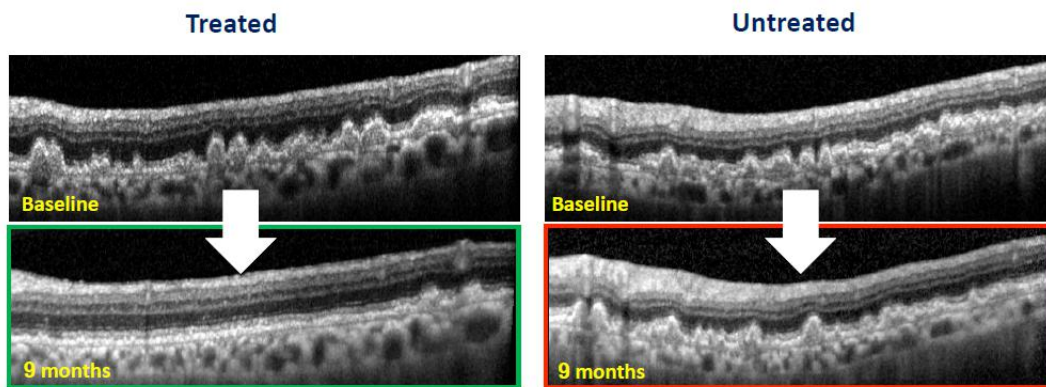
- Area of geographic atrophy (GA) is devoid of cells.
- Signs of structural improvement seen by week 1 and maintained by for at least 9 months





## Phase I/IIa Patient Data: Evidence of Drusen Reduction

- Drusen build-up is observed at baseline (peaks).
- Reduction or change of drusen observed through month 9 in some patients.

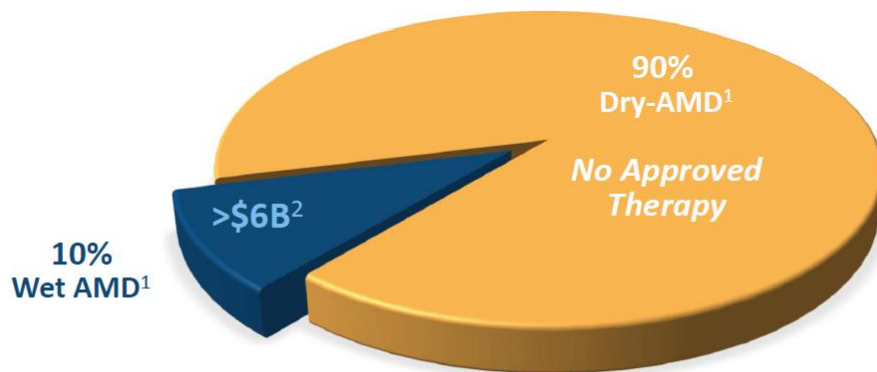


## Phase I/IIa Highlights

- OpRegen® continues to be well tolerated, shows signs of structural improvement in the retina, and decreases in drusen density in some patients
- Improvements or possible restorations of the ellipsoid zone and RPE layers have persisted.
  - The photoreceptor layer and ellipsoid zone assumed a more regular structural appearance in areas of the transition zone where OpRegen was administered
- Early data from Cohort 4 patients with earlier-stage dry-AMD with GA is encouraging
  - Structural improvement within the retina
  - Evidence of the continued presence of the transplanted cells
  - Some improvements in visual acuity recorded
- No unexpected adverse events or treatment-related systemic serious adverse events reported (first 15 enrolled patients)

## Significant Market Opportunity

- AMD afflicts 30+ million people worldwide<sup>1</sup>
- ~\$6B in approved Wet-AMD therapies<sup>2</sup>: Lucentis and Eylea
- Currently, no approved therapies available for Dry-AMD





**OPC1\***  
**Oligodendrocyte Precursor Therapy  
for Spinal Cord Injury**

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## OPC1 Overview\*

*OPC1 is a cellular transplant therapy being developed by Asterias; if the proposed Merger is completed, BioTime will continue the development of OPC1*

- OPC1 utilizes non-patient specific oligodendrocyte progenitor cells (OPCs)
- OPCs are naturally-occurring precursors to the cells which provide electrical insulation for nerve axons in the form of a myelin sheath
- OPC1 has RMAT designation from the FDA and has received significant funding from CIRM (>\$14M to date)



OPC1 Injection Procedure

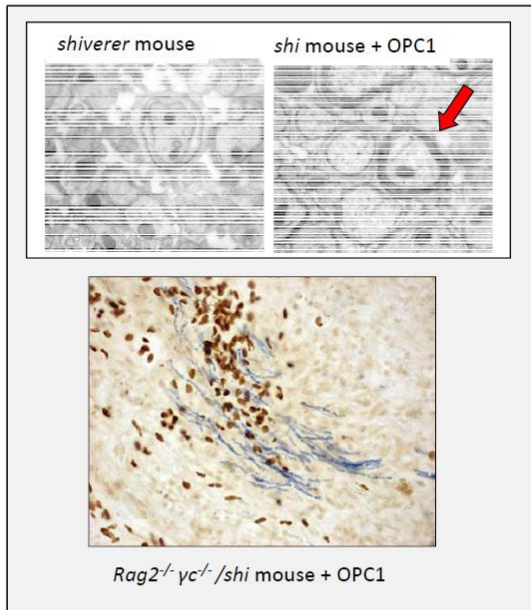
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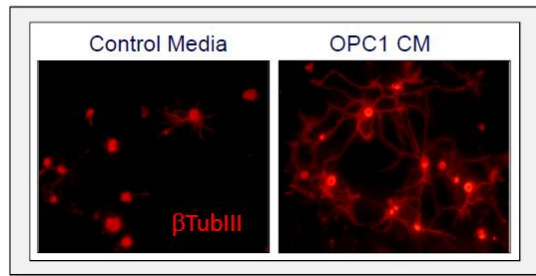
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# OPC1 Potential Mechanisms of Action\*

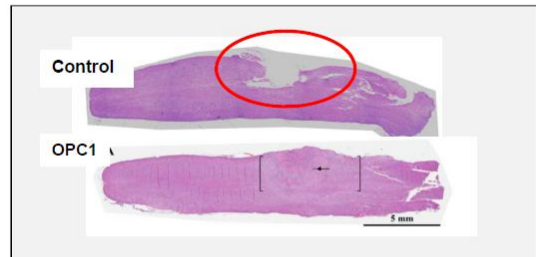
## Myelination of axons



## Secretion of neurotrophic factors



## Prevention of Cavitation

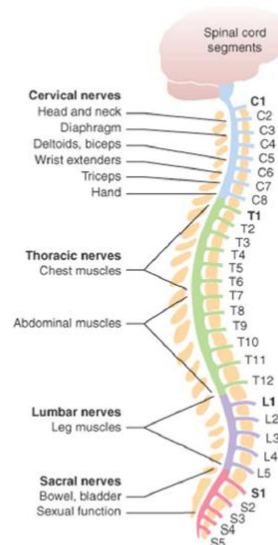


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## OPC1 in Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)\*

- The therapeutic goal is to restore arm, hand, and finger function, increasing independence and quality of life
- 63% of cervical injury patients are unemployed 8 years post-injury
- Lifetime direct healthcare costs can reach \$5 million for one patient
- Motor level improvements can translate into clinically significant improvements in self-care and reductions in cost of care



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# OPC1 Development in Spinal Cord Injury\*

## Pre-Clinical

### 28 Animal Studies

- Survives in the Spinal Cord
- Greatest Activity in Subacute Injury
- Improves Locomotor Activity
- Reduces Parenchymal Cavitation
- Migrates Up 5cm in Spinal Cord
- No Distribution Outside CNS
- Does Not Increase Mortality
- Does Not Induce Systemic Toxicity
- Does Not Produce Teratomas
- Produces Low Frequency (1-2%) Small Ectopic Tissue at Injury Site
- Not Highly Susceptible to Direct Immune Responses

## Clinical

### Phase 1 Thoracic Study

- 5 subjects administered 2M cells
- Long-term follow up has shown no evidence of adverse changes in any subjects treated

### Phase 1/2a Cervical Study

- 25 subjects administered up to 20M cells
- Good safety profile
- Evidence of durable cell engraftment
- Promising motor recovery
- Results inform next study design

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# Clinical Data from OPC1 Phase 1/2a study\*

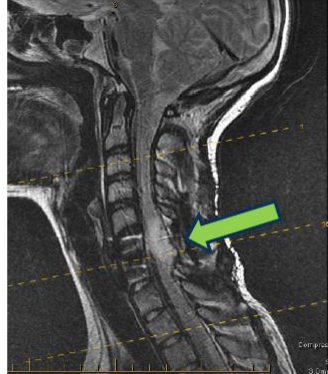
## Safety

- To date, there have been no serious adverse events (SAEs) related to the OPC1 cells (includes long-term follow up of Phase 1 safety study subjects through up to seven years post-injection)

## Cell Engraftment

- MRI results for over 96% (24/25) of subjects from Phase 1/2a study provide supportive evidence that OPC1 cells have durably engrafted at the injury site

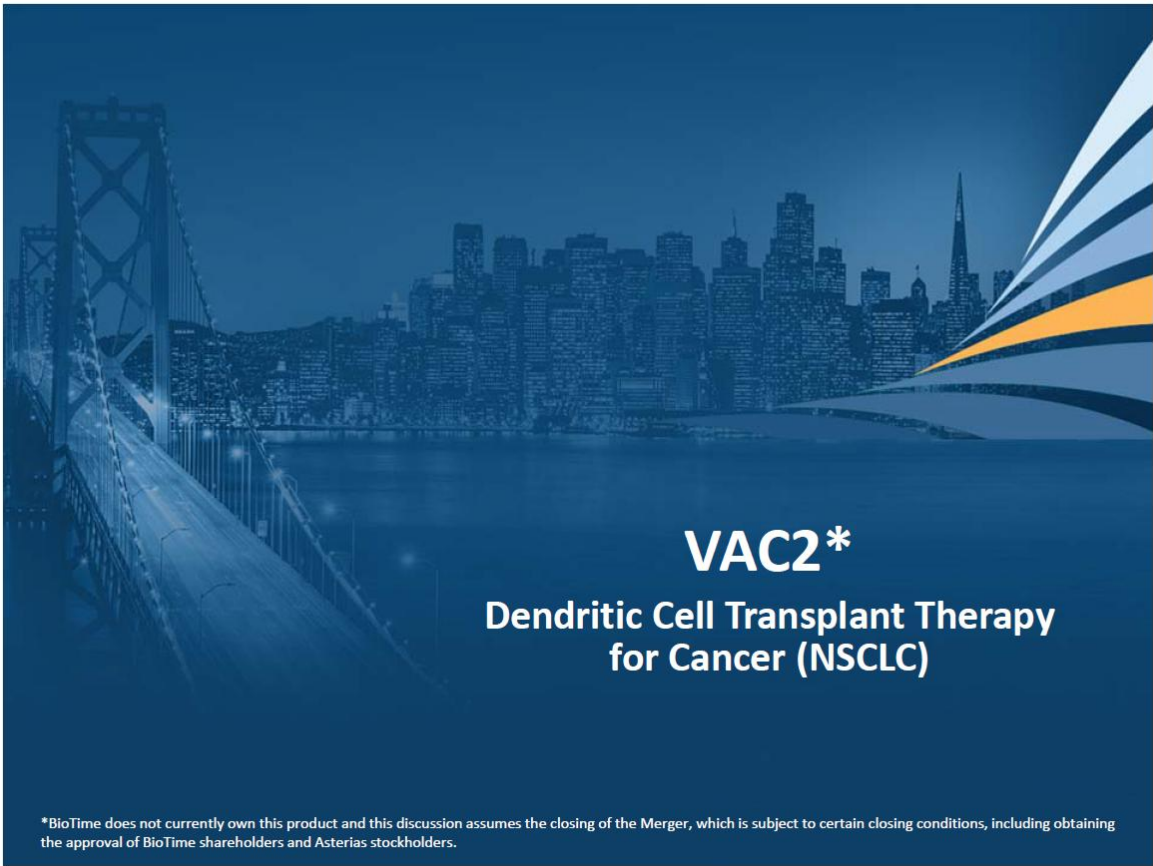
Subject 365 Day T2 MRI



## Motor Recovery

- At twelve months, 94% (17/18) of subjects administered 10M or 20M OPC1 cells in Phase 1/2a study recovered at least one motor level on at least one side and 33% of these subjects recovered at least two or more motor levels on at least one side

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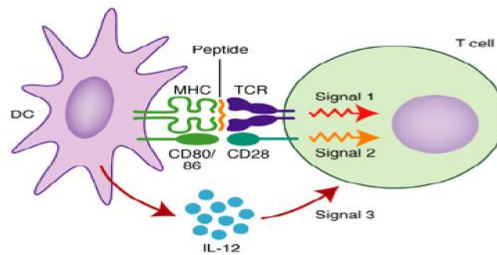
**VAC2\***  
**Dendritic Cell Transplant Therapy  
for Cancer (NSCLC)**

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# VAC2 Immunotherapy Program\*

VAC2\* is a cellular transplant therapy being developed by Asterias; if the proposed Merger is completed, BioTime will continue the development of VAC2

- VAC2 uses allogeneic ("off the shelf") **dendritic cells** to stimulate an immune response to telomerase, an antigen present in >85% of all cancers
- The LAMP signal sequence heightens the immune response through stimulation of both CD8+ cytotoxic and CD4+ helper T cell responses
- Optimal settings for dendritic cell immunotherapy include:
  - **Minimal residual disease** setting /preventing relapse (monotherapy)
  - **Combination therapy** with immune checkpoint inhibition



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# Cancer Research UK Partnership



- **CRUK Responsibilities: Funding and Management**

- . GMP Manufacture of VAC2 for Clinical Trial
- . Prepare and File Regulatory Dossier
- . Conduct 24-patient Phase 1/2a trial in Patients with Advanced and Resected Non-small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC)



- 4 patients dosed to date.
- Data anticipated during 2019 and 2020

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# VAC2\* Platform has Potential Broad Application

## Approach:

Monotherapy in MRD Setting  
With High Risk of Relapse

Combination Therapy

New or Additional Antigens

## Rationale:

- Stimulate T cell response to eliminate residual cancer cells after debulking chemotherapy, surgery, radiotherapy
- Stimulate endogenous T cell response to enable ICIs to work in 'immune cold' tumors
- Autologous and allogeneic DC platforms can be used to deliver any antigen(s), including neoantigen approaches



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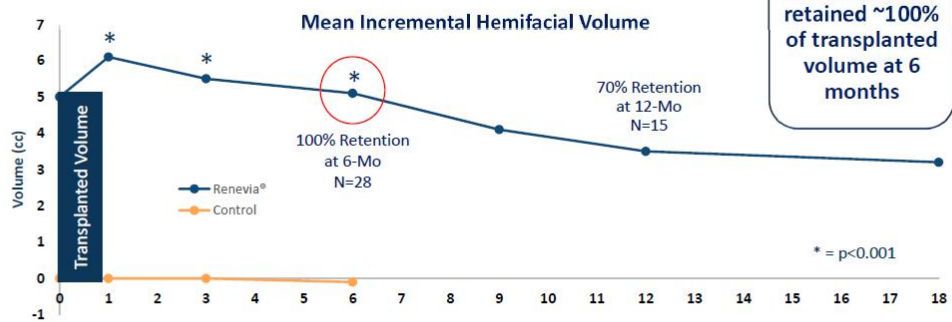
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**Renevia®**  
Cell delivery platform

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- A proprietary matrix designed to facilitate the survival and growth of transplanted cells
  - Mimics the extracellular matrix
  - Localizes transplanted cells at the injection site
  - Application as a volumizer to enhance fat transfer
    - » Submitted for CE mark in Europe; response expected Q1 2019
- 50-patient, HIV-Associated Lipoatrophy Study; Increase in hemifacial volume as measured by 3D image scan at 6 months (randomized)





# BioTime – A Different Company in 2019

Affiliated Asset	As of: Q3 2018
	38%-owned
	40%-owned
	36%-owned



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Affiliated Asset	As of: Q3 2018	By the end of: Q1 2019
	38%-owned	100%-owned*
	40%-owned	~5%-owned**
	36%-owned	No change

\* Anticipated close of the Merger is Q1 2019, subject to certain conditions, including the approval of BioTime shareholders and Asterias stockholders.

\*\* Now NYSE:AGE; on November 28, 2018, BioTime distributed AgeX shares to its shareholders and BioTime continues to own a minor stake in AgeX.

# Financial Overview

**Total current capital (as of 9/30/2018)**

➤ ~\$32M

**Common stock issued and outstanding (as of 9/30/2018)**

➤ ~127M

**Market Capitalization (as of 12/3/2018)**

➤ ~\$182 M

# Investment Highlights

- **BioTime seeks to become the premier cell therapy company**
- **Developing three\* clinical-stage programs, each transplanting whole differentiated cells for unmet medical needs:**
  - Dry AMD
  - Spinal Cord Injury
  - Non Small Cell Lung Cancer
- **Recent Significant Events:**
  - Hired new Chief Executive Officer (Sep 2018)
  - Announced plans to acquire Asterias Biotherapeutics, Inc. (NYSE: AST)
  - Completed distribution of AgeX (NYSE:AGE)
  - Received \$10.8M second installment payment from Juvenescence Ltd.

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