

Standard Operating Procedure

MANAGEMENT OF INVESTIGATIONAL MEDICINAL PRODUCTS (IMP)

SETTING Trustwide for research conducted within UHBristol and/or sponsored by UHBristol

AUDIENCE All staff involved in the handling, administration or management of investigational medicinal products within clinical trials.

ISSUE Investigational Medicinal Products must only be used in the context of approved clinical trials and handling/management must be carried out by authorised individuals.

Relevant to the management of Advanced Therapy (Investigational) Medicinal Products

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe what processes researchers should follow in handling and managing investigational medicinal products (IMPs) within the context of a clinical trial. Advanced Therapy (investigational) Medicinal Products are also within scope of this SOP.

2. Scope

In Scope: Clinical trials of Investigational Medicinal products (CTIMPs) and Advanced Therapy (Investigational) Medicinal Products hosted by, and/or sponsored by UHBristol.

Out of scope: All other research.

3. Responsibilities

- Researchers who handle and manage investigational medicinal products are responsible for ensuring that they discuss arrangements with UH Bristol pharmacy and follow all applicable SOPs.
- UH Bristol Pharmacy is responsible for the management of investigational medicinal products and producing applicable SOPs.
- The R&I department is responsible for ensuring all studies involving investigational medicinal products have been reviewed and authorised by UH Bristol Pharmacy.

4. Abbreviations and Definitions

Abbreviations	
ATIMP	Advanced Therapy Investigational Medicinal Product
CI	Chief Investigator
CTIMP	Clinical Trial of an Investigational Medicinal Product
DMS	Document Management System
IMP	Investigational Medicinal Product
ISF	Investigator Site File
PI	Principal Investigator
R&I	Research & Innovation
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
TMF	Trial Master File
UHBristol	University Hospitals Bristol

5. Procedure

5.1 CTIMP and ATIMP trials

- CTIMPs must comply with the current applicable legislation that is SI 2004/1031 and any amendments.
- ATIMPs fall under the responsibility of the Chief Pharmacist. For that reason, Principal/Chief investigators conducting ATMP trials must engage with the pharmacy department in order to carry out a joint assessment with pharmacy to determine to what degree the pharmacy SOPs apply.

5.2 Engagement with pharmacy

- The UHBristol pharmacy departments hold a wealth of experience and expertise to support CTIMPs. CI/PI and research teams should engage at an early stage in the development or setup of trials to ensure proper input is gained. Expert knowledge, for example about the way a pharmaceutical is presented or its shelf life, may contribute to changes in trial design that make the trial easier or more pragmatic to deliver.

- UHBristol has a number of different pharmacy departments, encompassing the Pharmacy Trials Unit (Dispensing Pharmacy), Parenteral Services Unit, Production and Radiopharmacy. The Pharmacy Trials Unit should be contacted in the first instance, in the absence of other named contact people. Each pharmacy department has a lead Pharmacist responsible for the trials activity taking place. Contact details can be provided by the R&I department (research@uhbristol.nhs.uk; 0117 342 0233) if required.
- Discussions and agreements relating to specific trials should be documented and placed in the Trial Master File (TMF) or Investigator Site File (ISF) as relevant.

5.3 Pharmacy Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

- UHBristol R&I department has delegated responsibility for developing a range of SOPs relating to the handling and management of investigational medicinal products to the UHBristol Pharmacy Department. The key contact in relation to SOP preparation is the lead pharmacist in the Pharmacy Trials Unit, based in the BRI.
- Pharmacy SOPs will be developed, reviewed and updated in accordance with the pharmacy department's own internal SOP guidance to ensure UHBristol's compliance with the applicable legislation. UHBristol R&I department will ensure the suite of SOPs covers all the topics required under the applicable legislation. The pharmacy department will ensure there is no conflict between the pharmacy and R&I SOPs.
- Pharmacy will upload the SOPs to the Trust's Document Management System (DMS). It will provide a full list of pharmacy SOPs to be referenced in this SOP. Researchers should then locate the Pharmacy SOPs on the Trust's DMS as applicable. Pharmacy will agree and document a mechanism to ensure the list of pharmacy SOPs within this SOP and on the R&I website are kept up to date following review /amendment /creation of new SOPs.

6. Dissemination and training in the SOP

This SOP will be disseminated to applicable research staff (including R&I) and will be available on the R&I website.

All staff whose activities are subject to this SOP should ensure that they read and understand the content of the SOP. The personal training log of the individual (and the TMF or ISF if required) should be completed to document that the content of this SOP has been read and understood as described in *SOP 007 Research Training*.

7. Related documents

Pharmacy SOPs

Setting up a Clinical Trial

CT 1 01	Procedure for the Set-Up of a Clinical Trial in the Pharmacy Trials Unit.
CT 1 02	Pharmacy Approval of a Clinical Trial
CT 1 03	Procedure for the review of a QP batch release certificate for a clinical trial of an Investigational medicinal product
CT 1 04	Procedure for carrying out a risk assessment for storing clinical trial material outside of pharmacy
CT 1 05	Set Up and Maintaining of a Pharmacy Clinical Trial File
CT 1 06	Procedure for carrying out a risk assessment for sending Investigational Medicinal Products to trial subjects by post, courier or taxi
CT 1 07	Chemocare Prescription Set Up
CT 1 08	Final Check and Release of Chemocare Prescriptions
CT 1 09	Amending Chemocare Prescriptions

Receipt, Re-labelling and Recording of Expiry Dates of Clinical Trial Material

- CT 2 01 Receipt and Recording of the safe delivery of Clinical Trial Material.
- CT 2 02 Relabelling of clinical trial material for commercial and non-commercial clinical trials
- CT 2 03 Procedure for recording and updating expiry dates for clinical trial medication
- CT 2 04 Pharmacy Trials Unit Clinical Trial and Drug Expiry Date Database

Safe Handling, Storage and Transfer of Clinical Trial Material

- CT 3 01 Safe Handling and Storage of Clinical Trial Material in Pharmacy Trials Unit (PTU)
- CT 3 04 Procedure for the transfer of bulk clinical trial material within the Trust
- CT 3 05 Procedure for the transfer of patient specific clinical trial medication within the Trust hospitals

Return, Disposal and Recall of Clinical Trial Material

- CT 4 01 Return and Disposal of Unused Pharmacy Trials Unit Clinical Trial Material

- CT 4 02 Procedure for Recall of Trial Medication
- CT 4 03 Quarantine of Trial Medication

Code Break Situations

- CT 5 02 Emergency Code Break Procedure.

Clinical Trial Pharmacy Staff Training

- CT 6 01 Training of Clinical Trial Pharmacy Staff

Close Down of Clinical Trials and Archiving of Clinical Trials Documentation

- CT 7 01 Close down of a Clinical Trial set up by the Pharmacy & Archiving of Pharmacy Clinical Trial Documentation.

Checking Clinical Trial Prescriptions

- CT 8 01 Final Accuracy Checking of Clinical Trial Prescriptions in the Pharmacy Dispensary at Bristol Royal Infirmary

Premises & Equipment

- CT 9 01 Critical Equipment List
- CT 9 02 Permit to Work

Substantial Amendments

- CT 10 01 Review of Protocol Amendments

Safe Handling of Dry Ice

- CT 11 01 Procedure for the Safe Handling of Dry Ice

Income Due Advice

- CT 12 01 Raising An Income Due Advice/Invoice

Review of SOPs

- CT 13 01 Authorship, review, Revision and approval of Standard Operating Procedures

CD Cupboard and Fridge Keys

- CT 14 01 Safe Keeping of Controlled Drug cupboard and Fridge Keys