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Cellular therapies and regenerative strategies in diabetes
Immunology and diabetes
Cell transplantation and immunosuppression
Filed joint patent; working on pig autograph model, IV site using biological scaffolds
Clinical trials of stem cell and cellular therapies;
Regenerative medicine;
Translational & clinical research;
Islets & MSCs clinical trials
Clinical trials of stem cell and cellular therapies;
Translational & clinical research;
Islets and MSCs clinical trials
Islet transplantation,
Immunointerventions to reverse autoimmunity, Poseidon Trial
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Islet transplantation, MSCs and immunomodulation for reversal of autoimmunity and tolerance Induction

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Islet cell transplantation  
Tissue engineering  
MYD course in Italian  
Testing islets in intra-muscular site

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Placenta-derived cells for beta cell regeneration

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Intervention studies in patients with new-onset Type 1 diabetes  
Diabetes technology
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Diabetes education and clinical trials
MYD course in Spanish
Clinical testing

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Human islet isolation, transplantation and regenerative medicine

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Cell and molecular biology of the endocrine pancreas prototype

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Immunosuppression
Preservation and shipment technologies

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Novel sites for transplantation of insulin-producing cells,
Immosoiolation and tolerance induction
Scaffold clinical trials

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Regulatory T cells and tolerance induction stem cells
T-reg trial collaborator and possible entre for future CA stem cell work/Bluestone bridge

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Targeted delivery strategies to the panceas for immunomodulation, regeneration and expansion of insulin-producing cells
Target PDX-1 expressing cells with non-genetic based delivery system
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Islet cell processing, MSCs, transplantation and immune tolerance induction

Stem and progenitor cells from the biliary tree for beta cell regeneration; Cell grafting strategies.

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