

Active DRI Federation Collaborations

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Cellular therapies and regenerative strategies in diabetes

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Immunology and diabetes

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Cell transplantation and immunosuppression
Filed joint patent; working on pig autograph model, IV site using biological scaffolds

CHINA

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Clinical trials of stem cell and cellular therapies;
Regenerative medicine;
Translational & clinical research;
Islets & MSCs clinical trials

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Translational & clinical research;
Islets and MSCs clinical trials

COLOMBIA

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Islet transplantation,
Immunointerventions to reverse autoimmunity, Poseidon Trial

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Islet transplantation, MSCs and immunomodulation for reversal of autoimmunity and tolerance
Induction

CZECH REPUBLIC

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BioHub biologic scaffold in the omentum in kidney-islet transplantation

GEORGIA

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Cellular therapies and regenerative medicine
Testing intravenous site-w/Shapiro

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Tolerance
Evaluating novel anti-inflammatory molecules in clinical ITX and interventions in Type 1 diabetes

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Telescience
Providing remote assistance IRT and paying OT for cGMP team

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

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Poseidon trial in Europe

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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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NICARAGUA

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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

SWEDEN

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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,
Immunoisolation 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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Islet cell processing, MSCs,
transplantation and immune
tolerance induction

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

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