



MANUFACTURING SUPPORT



PROCESS DEV & COMPARABILITY



ANALYTICAL DEVELOPMENT



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REGULATORY SUPPORT



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MARKET RESEARCH



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# Process Codification at Early Clinical Phase

## The Ask

Precise definition of a manufacturing process is critical for effective communication with regulators, contractors and partners. A client with an autologous *ex vivo* gene therapy platform requested DHC's assistance in codifying their manufacturing process in preparation for an international technology transfer and global regulatory filings.

## Why DHC?

EXPAND CLIENT BANDWIDTH

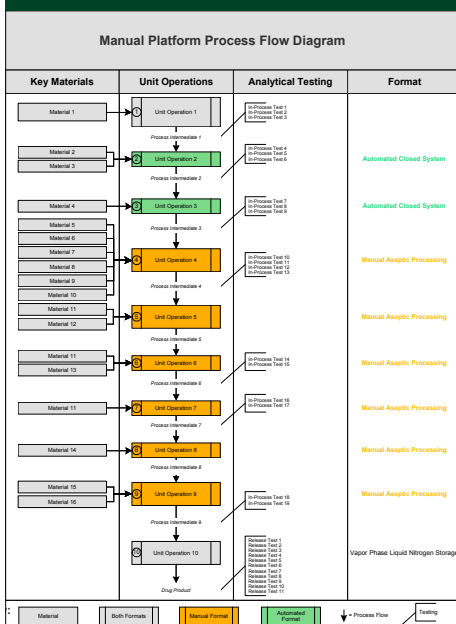
PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

SOLVE EXISTING PROBLEM (REMIEDIATE)

## DHC's Approach

DHC's approach to process codification uses a standard set of Quality by Design (QbD) tools such as process flow diagrams (PFDs), Quality Target Product Profiles (QTPPs), and risk analyses to describe the process of creating and the analytical methods used to characterize the therapy in question. As a key step in the process codification process, DHC identifies and distills all elements of the client's CMC into one or more visual representations known as a PFD. A PFD can be produced at any level of detail, from the thirty-thousand-foot view down to an extremely detailed snapshot, depending on need. Tools such as QTPPs and risk analyses further increase understanding of target process characteristics and associated risks to prioritize future development efforts. A statistical data analysis of the manufacturing process data provides a clear understanding of process performance to date, and of any potential correlations between key process inputs (processing parameters) and outputs (analytical results).

## Example PFD (Process Flow Diagram)



## The Impact

After process codification this client experienced:

- increased internal clarity around—and deeper knowledge about—the inner workings of their process.
- a more comprehensive ability to communicate process details to external stakeholders, including contract manufacturers (tech transfers) and global regulators (INDs/IMPDs).
- a thorough and logical framework for communication of process changes to regulators during comparability submissions.

## Next/Concurrent Steps

- Comparability Studies
- Manufacturing Support
- Regulatory Support