

# Cancer Vaccine Clinical Trial Working Group

Final Workshop, 10 November 2005



# CVCTWG Issues

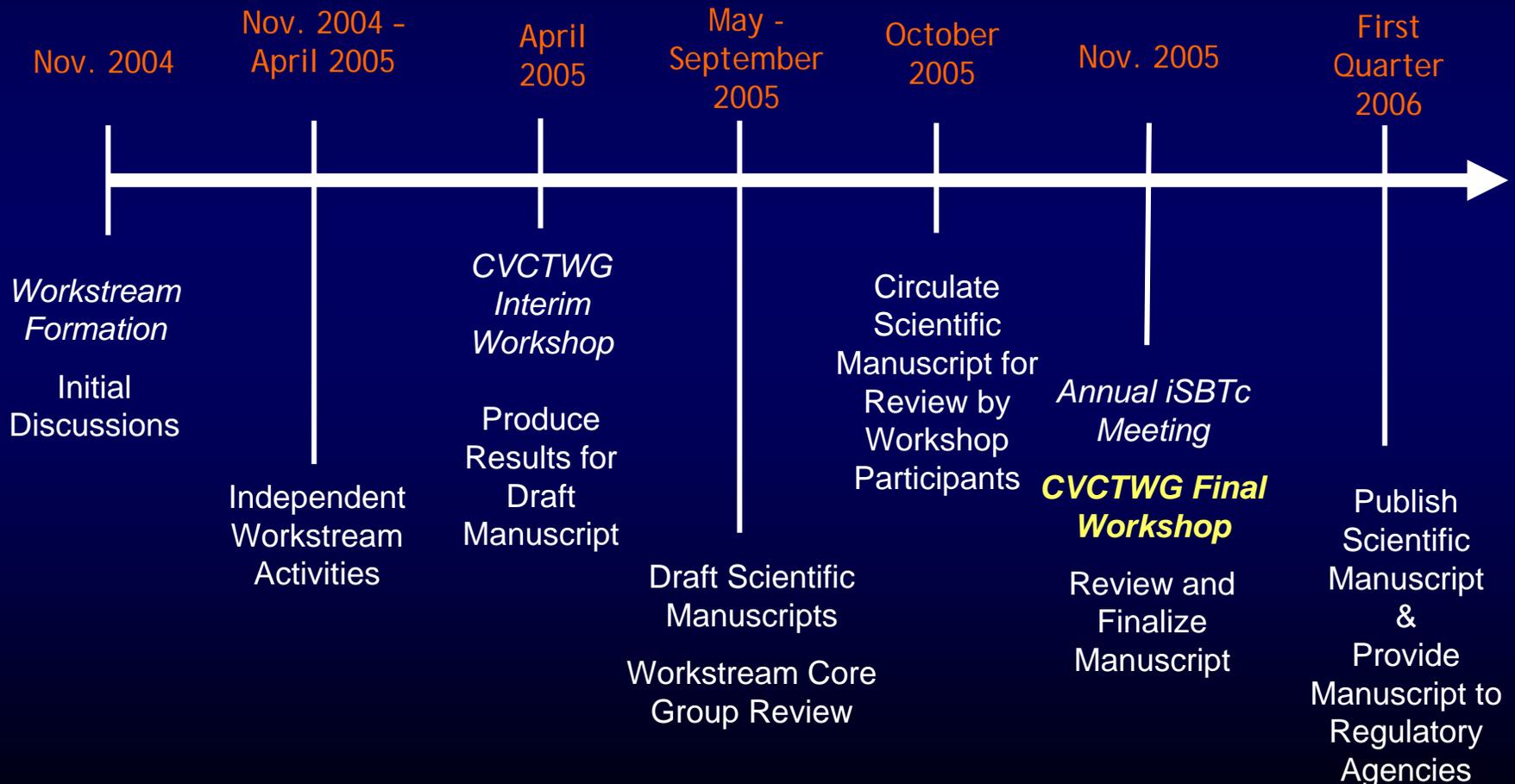
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- Cancer vaccines have unique developmental challenges.
- Some potential solutions exist.
- Not all potential solutions are widely understood.
- No consensus exists on potential solutions.
- No formal recommendations for a flexible and adequate clinical development path exist.

# CVCTWG – The Initiative

- Collaborative Spirit
- Broad Expertise Contributed to Discussions:
  - Academic Leaders
  - Biotechnology/Pharmaceutical Drug Developers
  - Regulators
- > 60 International Participants
- Extensive Discussions in 4 Broad Areas
- Consensus Reached on Scientific Recommendations to Advance the Field of Cancer Vaccine Development

# CVCTWG - Timelines 2004-2006

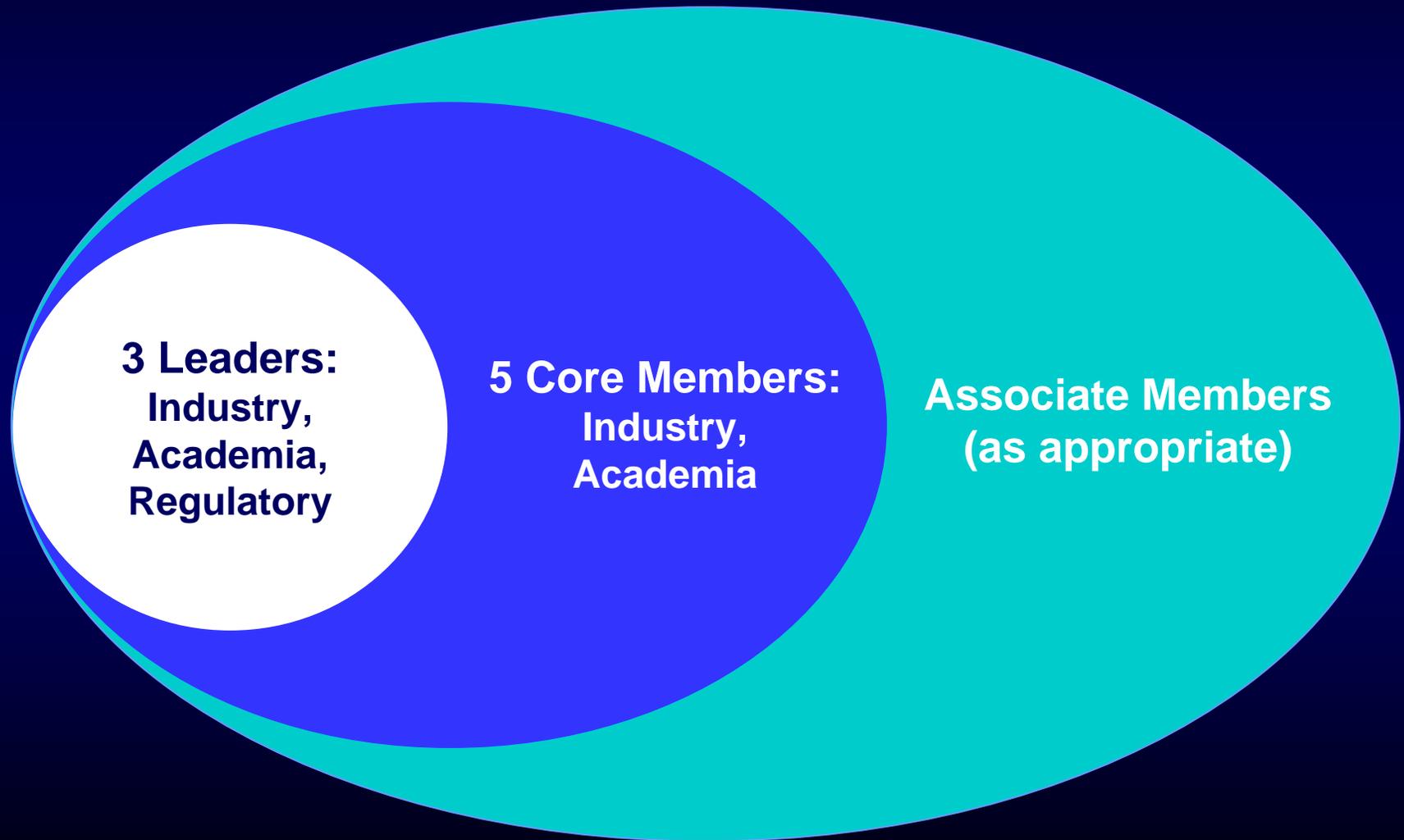


# CVCTWG Workstreams

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1. Clinical Endpoints to Support Product Efficacy
2. Design Methodologies for Cancer Vaccine Trials
3. Technical Challenges in Cancer Vaccine Trials
4. Enabling Technologies and Combinations of Investigational Agents

# Workstream Participants



# CVCTWG – Workshop Faculty

- Giorgio Parmiani Istituto dei Tumori, Milan WS1
- Hans Loibner Independent WS1
- Peter Bross CBER, FDA WS1
- Axel Hoos Bristol-Myers Squibb WS2
- Alexander Eggermont University of Rotterdam; EORTC WS2
- Steven Hirschfeld CBER, FDA WS2
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# CVCTWG Overall Goal

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Provide a **comprehensive scientific summary** of critical issues for cancer vaccine clinical development and proposed solutions based on **consensus** between a wide number of experts **representative for the cancer vaccine field.**

# Program Schedule, November 10, 2005

- 8:00am-8:30am Welcome & Introductions
- 8:30am-10:30am Development of Cancer Vaccines: 5 Perspectives from Academia and Industry
- 10:45am-12:30pm Summary of Issues and Goals: Results of 4 Workstreams
- 12:30pm-2:45pm *Parallel Sessions:*
  - 1) State of the Field Lectures:
    - Measuring Residual Tumor Burden
    - Cancer Biometrics – Results from 2003 iSBTc Workshop
    - Bayesian Designs for Early Trials
  - 2) 4 Workstream Breakout Sessions
- 2:45pm-3:15pm FDA Special Lecture
  - FDA Perspective on Preclinical Development of Cancer Vaccines
- 3:30pm-5:30pm 4 Breakout Session Reports & Discussions
- 5:30pm Future Plans

Welcome !



Back-up

## CVCTWG Workstream 1:

# Clinical Endpoints to Support Product Efficacy

- Conventional clinical oncology endpoints (measures of benefit)
- Discovery, standardization, and validation of surrogate endpoints for clinical benefit
- Immunological endpoints
- Novel experimental measures of minimal residual disease, such as circulating malignant tumor cells
- Other surrogate endpoints

## CVCTWG Workstream 2:

# Design Methodologies for Cancer Vaccine Trials

- Adaptive trial designs for Phase 2 and 3 development and novel statistical approaches
- New standards/designs for Phase 1/2 trials versus Phase 3 trials
- Bridging the gap between Phase 2 and Phase 3 development
- Pivotal trial designs for autologous products
- Endpoints for early trials: toxicity, biological activity, clinical activity
- Surrogate endpoints (correlative tests and imaging) for clinical activity in early trials
- Designs for combination Phase 1 trials
- Results criteria for advancing to surgical adjuvant trials
- Standardization of study conduct and outcome review

## CVCTWG Workstream 3:

# Technical Challenges in Cancer Vaccine Clinical Trials

- Criteria for entering clinical development
- Product standardization and characterization for individualized vaccines
- Dose selection for early trials of cancer vaccines
- Definition of biological activity and biologically relevant clinical response parameters for early and late stage trials
- Patient selection (antigen expression, MHC expression, immune competence, others)
- Immunophenotyping and genotyping guidelines
- Funding issues

## CVCTWG Workstream 4:

### Enabling Technologies and Combinations of Investigational Agents

- Identification of key therapeutic agents (ie, cytokines, antibodies to cell surface co-stimulatory molecules, small molecules targeting immunologic signaling pathways)
- Regulatory issues (toxicology, IND requirements, registration) for combinations of investigational agents
- Intellectual property issues for combinations
- Phase 1 trial issues (endpoints, design, proof-of-concept, patient selection, tumor tissue typing, etc.)
- Later-stage development issues
- Funding for correlative studies

# CVCTWG – Steering Committee

## Steering Committee Members

- Neil Berinstein      Aventis
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- Guy Ely      BioMira
- Steven Hirschfeld      FDA
- Axel Hoos      Antigenics
- Ulrich Keilholz      iSBTc
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