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**“Cuba and Germany.
Possibilities for cooperation in
the biotechnology sector”**

German Office for the Promotion of Trade and
Investment in Cuba
Cuban Chamber of Commerce
BioCubaFarma



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A scientific institution honoring Dr. Carlos Juan Finlay

☐ Closed Cycle
Platform

R+D
Production
QA / QC
Clinical Evaluation
Commercialization

Pharmaceutical,
biological,
biotechnological
and chemical
synthesis
preparations,
mainly **VACCINES**



*More than 30
years*



*Dedicated to
saving lives*



☐ Infectious
diseases
vaccines

☐ Conjugate
vaccines

☐ Synthetic
Vaccines

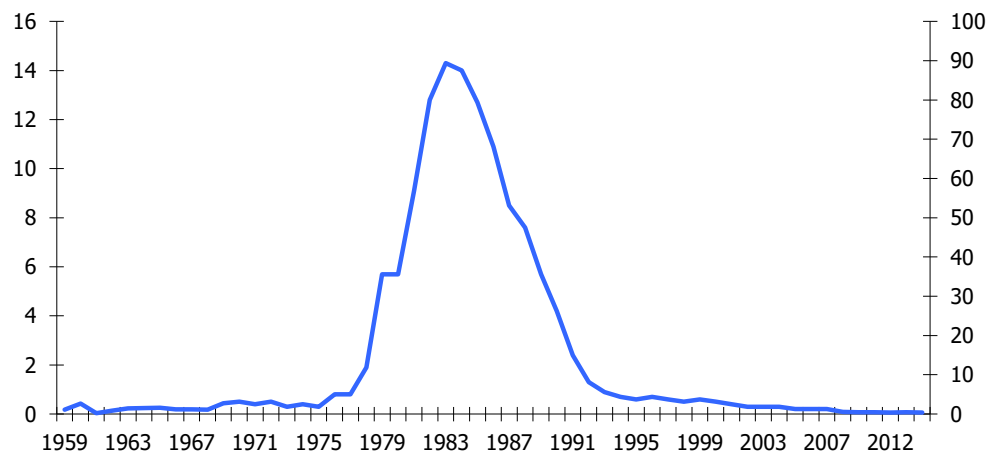
☐ Combined
vaccines

☐ Active
Pharmaceutical
Ingredients

VA-MENGOC-BC®



- ☐ Vaccine against meningococcal diseases
- ☐ Mass application in Cuba start in 1984
- ☐ An excellent control of serogroup B meningitis
- ☐ License in more than 17 countries, an apply to control outbreaks in Brazil, Colombia, Uruguay and Vietnam
- ☐ More than 60 million doses apply in Latin-America
- ☐ WIPO Gold Medal Patent



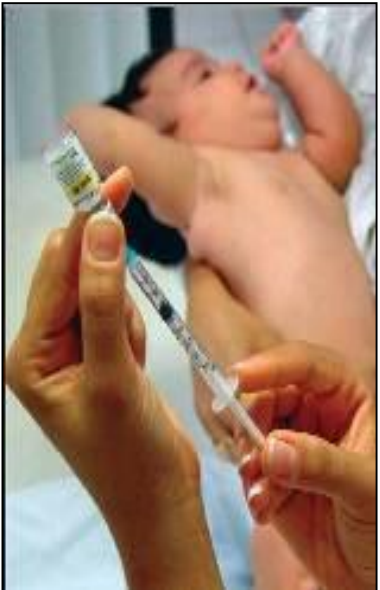
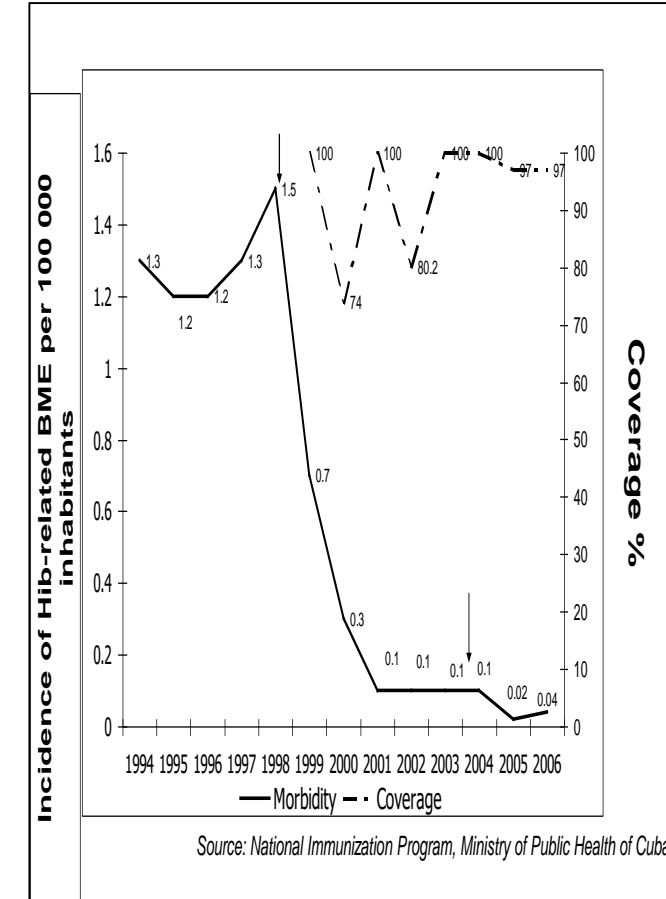


Quimi-Hib®



- ❑ Vaccine vs *Haemophilus influenzae* type b
- ❑ The first vaccine with a synthetic antigen produced and commercialized since 2004
- ❑ Synthetic chemistry to obtain Hib oligosaccharides has been become a competitive technology for conjugate vaccine production

- ❑ WIPO Gold Medal Patent 2005 WP 01/16146 USA, EPO, Australia, China.
- ❑ 2005 Award Tech Museum for Innovation



Cuban Immunization Program

- ☐ Against 13 diseases
- ☐ Vaccination coverage: More than 98%
- ☐ Population high immune level

ESQUEMA NACIONAL DE VACUNACIÓN DE CUBA.

Vacuna / Protege	Edad de la dosis				Dosis (ml)	Vía	Región de aplicación	Lugar de aplicación
	1ª	2ª	3ª	Reactivación				
BCG* / Tuberculosis	Al nacer	----	----	----	0,05	ID	Deltoides Izquierdo	Maternidad
Heberbiovac HB* / Hepatitis B	Al nacer	----	----	----	0,5	IM	1/3 medio de la cara antero - lateral del muslo	Maternidad
Heberpenta-L / Difteria, Toserina, Tétanos, Hepatitis B y Haemophilus Influenzae Tipo B	2 m	4 m	6 m	18 m	0,5	IM	1/3 medio de la cara antero - lateral del muslo. A los 18 M en el Deltoides	Policlínicos
VA-MENGOC-BC / Meningococo B y C	3 m	5 m	----	----	0,5	IM	1/3 medio de la cara antero - lateral del muslo	Policlínicos
IPV / Poliomielitis	4 m	8 m	----	----	0,1	ID	Deltoides Derecho	Policlínicos
DTP-VAC* / Difteria, Tétanos y Toserina	2 m	4 m	6 m	18 m	0,5	IM	Deltoides	Policlínicos
Quimi-Hib* / Haemophilus Influenzae Tipo B.	2 m	4 m	6 m	18 m	0,5	IM	Deltoides	Policlínicos
PRS / Parotiditis, Rubéola y Sarampión	12 m	----	----	6 años	0,5	SC	Deltoides	Policlínicos y Escuelas
VA-DIFTET / Difteria y Tétanos	----	----	----	6 años	0,5	IM	Deltoides	Escuelas
Vax-TYVI / Fiebre Tifoidea	10 años	----	----	13 y 16 años	0,5	IM	Deltoides	Escuelas
Vax-TET / Tétanos	----	----	----	14 años	0,5	IM	Deltoides	Escuelas
OPV / Poliomielitis	En campaña anual. Niños menores de tres años y 9 años.				2 gotas	Oral	----	Policlínicos y Consultorios

* Los hijos de madres positivas al antígeno de superficie de la Hepatitis B, se vacunarán con BCG a los 3 meses de nacidos. Se les aplicarán 4 dosis de vacuna de la Hepatitis B (al nacer, 1 mes, 2 meses y al año) y se reactivará a los 18 meses, con DPT y Hib. EL resto de las vacunas según el esquema.

☐ 11 vaccines

☐ 8 -  Cuba

☐ 6 -  INSTITUTO FINLAY DE VACUNAS

Production
Production



Heberpenta®



CENTRO DE INGENIERÍA GENÉTICA
Y BIOTECNOLOGÍA

4 components



Combined diphtheria, tetanus, cellular pertussis, hepatitis B and Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine. Heberpenta was introduced in the Cuban's immunization program in September, 2006.



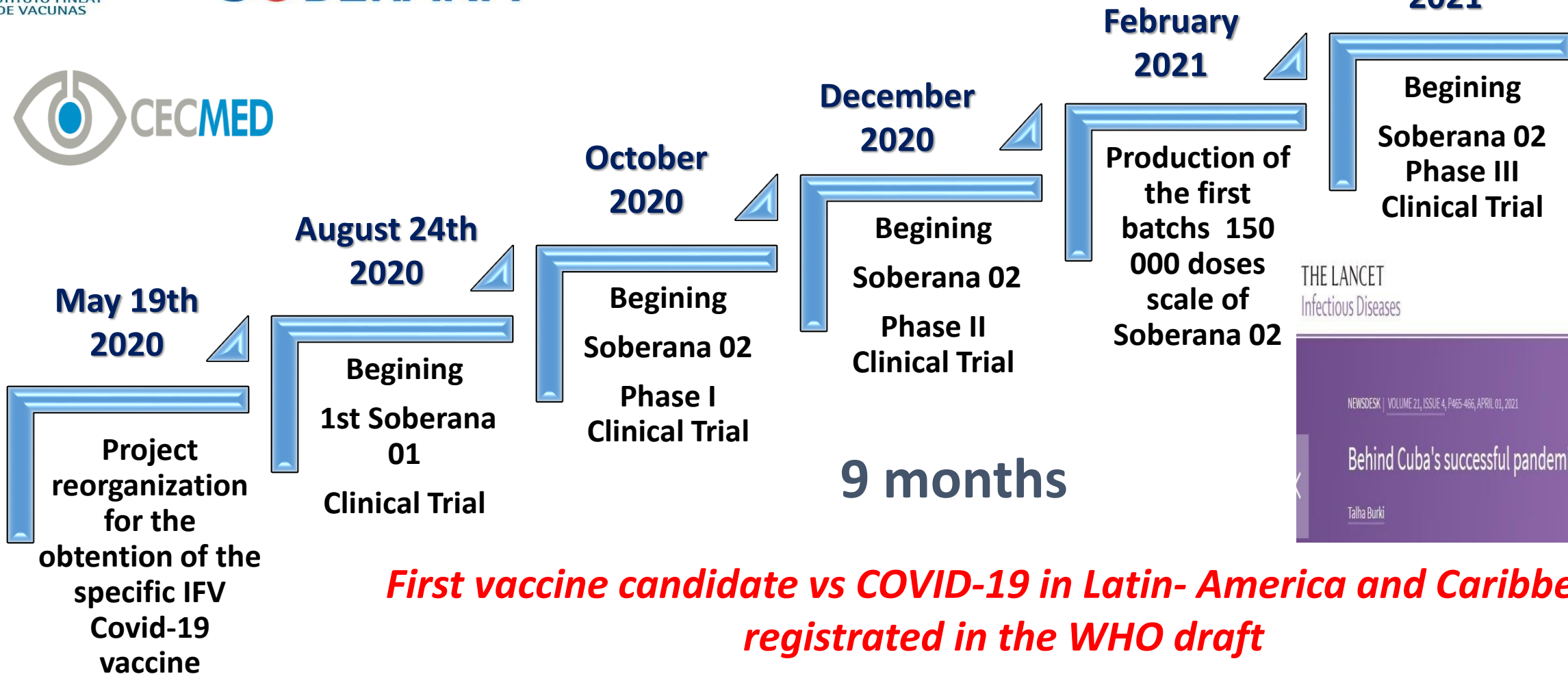
Projects

- ☐ Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine program
- ☐ Meningococcal meningitis vaccine program
- ☐ Pertussis conjugate vaccines
- ☐ Diarrheal vaccine program
- ☐ Cancer vaccine program

Quimi-Vio®

- ☐ Against *Streptococcus Pneumoniae*
 - ☐ Heptavalent Conjugate Vaccine (serotypes 6B, 14, 18C, 19F, 23F, 1 and 5)
 - ☐ Cost-Effectiveness
 - ☐ Tetanus Toxoid as carrier protein + AlPO₄
 - ☐ More than 300 analytical controls per batch
 - ☐ More than 20 clinical studies (Clinical Trials, surveillance studies, economic and impact evaluations studies)
 - ☐ Current Status: Concluded Phase II-III Clinical Trials for children 1-5 years old
- Ongoing Phase II-III Clinical Trials for infants





First vaccine candidate vs COVID-19 in Latin- America and Caribbean registered in the WHO draft

STRATEGIC ALLIANCE AMONG BIOCUBAFARMA INSTITUTIONS AND MINISTRY OF CUBAN HEALTH



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SOBERANA[®]01

SOBERANA[®]02

SOBERANA[®]Plus



#CienciaCubana
#CubaPorLaVida





SIMILARITIES & DIFFERENCES



- ☐ Subunit vaccine
- ☐ Receptor Binding Domain (RBD) of SARS-Cov-2 Coronavirus
- ☐ Storage conditions: 2-8 oC

SOBERANA[®]01 SOBERANA[®]02 SOBERANA[®]Plus

RBD + OMV + Al(OH)₃

RBD + Tetanus Toxoid + Al(OH)₃

RBD + Al(OH)₃

Unconjugated vaccine

Conjugate Vaccine

*Booster vaccine
Unconjugated vaccine*

Healthy volunteers

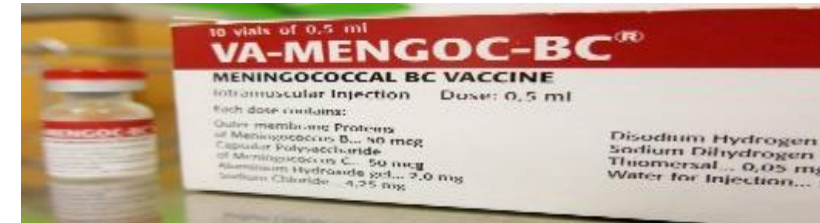
Healthy volunteers

✓ *Convalescents*
✓ *Volunteers with primary
vaccination with other
formulation*

❑ 1st Cuban and Latin-American vaccine candidate vs SARS-CoV-2 virus included in the WHO draft



❑ Well known and safety platform



❑ Potential efficacy both infants and elderly population

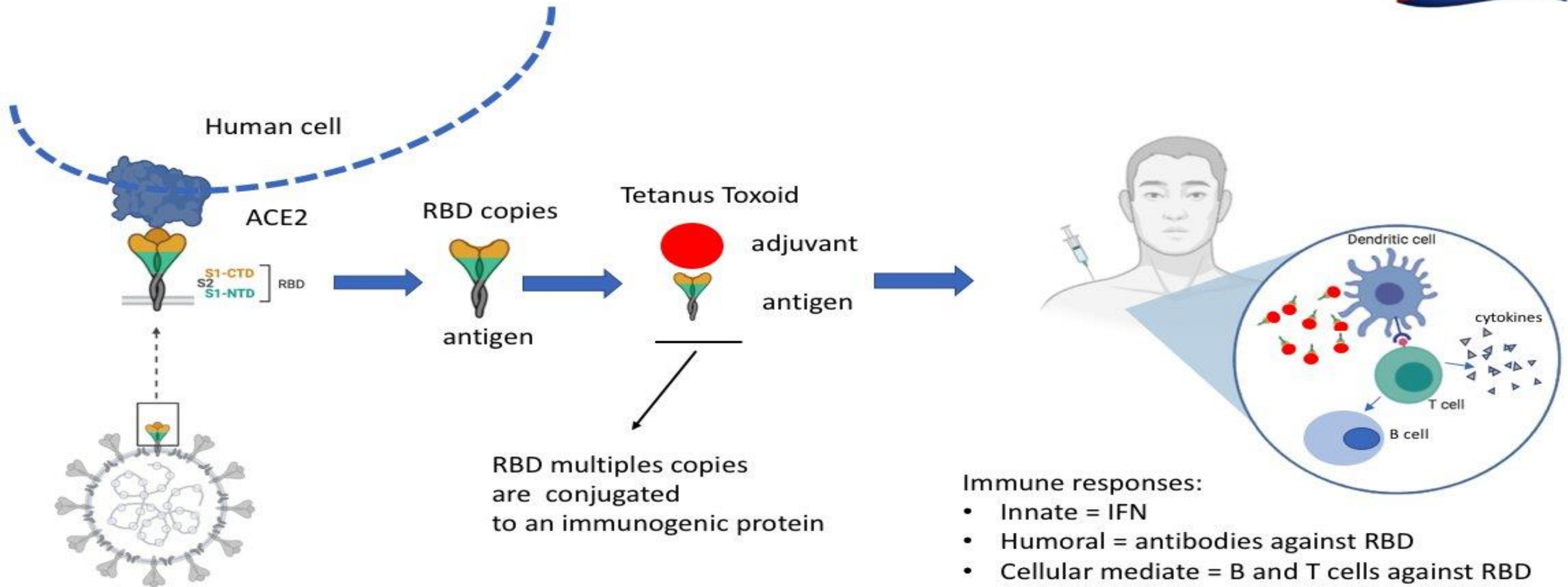
❑ Patent application submitted

❑ Current Status: Concluded Phase I Clinical Trial. In process of approval Phase II-III Clinical Trials (adults) and Phase I-II Clinical Trials (pediatric population)

FINLAY-FR-2 Soberana 2

How it works?

Vaccine type: conjugated to immunogenic protein/carrier



- ❑ 1st and only conjugate vaccine vs SARS-CoV-2 virus in the world
- ❑ 2nd Cuban and Latin-American vaccine vs SARS-CoV-2 virus included in the WHO draft
- ❑ 1st Cuban and Latin-American vaccine vs SARS-CoV-2 virus to begin Phase II and Phase III Clinical Trials



Quimi-Vio[®]

- ❑ Well Known and safety platform
- ❑ Innovative vaccine candidate. Patent application submitted
- ❑ Current Status: Ongoing Phase III Clinical Trial. In process of approval Phase I-II Clinical Trials (pediatric population)
- ❑ Publications



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bioRxiv is receiving many new papers on coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. A reminder: these are preliminary reports that have not been peer-reviewed. They should not be regarded as conclusive, guide clinical practice/health-related behavior, or be reported in news media as established information.

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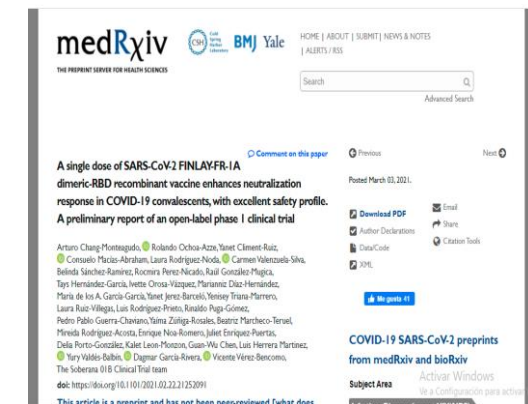
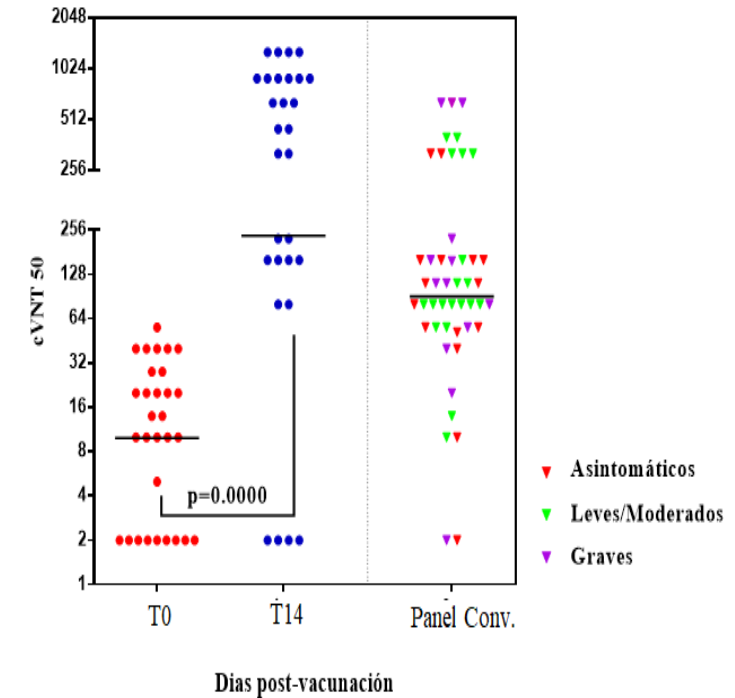
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COVID-19 SARS-CoV-2 preprints
from medRxiv and bioRxiv

- ☐ Capable of reactivating a pre-existing immune response in COVID-19 Convalescents and individuals with primo-vaccination with other formulation
- ☐ Induces an important neutralizing response after a single dose
- ☐ 1st vaccine vs SARS-CoV-2 virus in convalescents registered with Phase I and Phase II Clinical Trials in the world
- ☐ Potential booster vaccine for protection vs mutant strains
- ☐ Patent application submitted
- ☐ Current status: Phase II Clinical Trial in Convalescents approved by CECMED

As a booster vaccine with Soberana®02- Ongoing Phase II & III Clinical Trials

- ☐ Publications



Clinical Trials

■ Phase I ■ Phase II ■ Phase III



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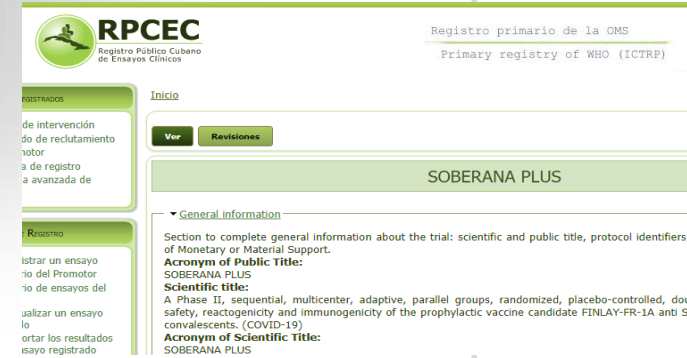
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Acronym of Public Title:
SOBERANA 02-Phase III

Scientific title:
Phase III clinical trial, multicenter, adaptive, parallel-group, randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind efficacy, safety and immunogenicity of vaccination against SARS-CoV-2 with 2 doses of FINLAY-FR-2 scheme with 2 doses of FINLAY-FR-2 and a booster dose with FINLAY-FR-1A (COVID-19)

Acronym of Scientific Title:
SOBERANA 02-Phase III



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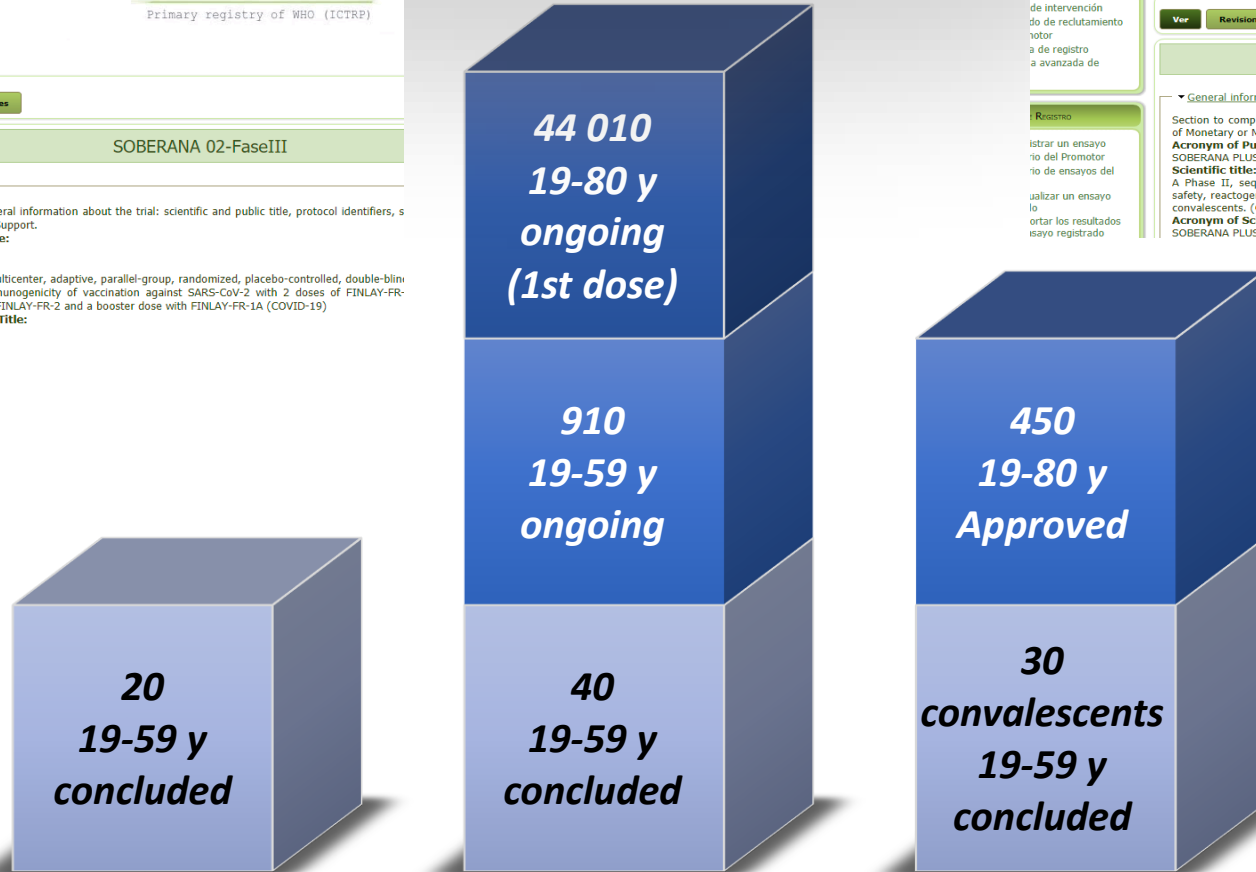
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Acronym of Public Title:
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Scientific title:
A Phase II, sequential, multicenter, adaptive, parallel groups, randomized, placebo-controlled, double safety, reactogenicity and immunogenicity of the prophylactic vaccine candidate FINLAY-FR-1A anti SARS-CoV-2 convalescents. (COVID-19)

Acronym of Scientific Title:
SOBERANA PLUS



SOBERANA®01 SOBERANA®02 SOBERANA®Plus

- ☐ High standard of Safety and Immunogenicity
- ☐ No severe and serious Adverse Events
- ☐ Very few mild Adverse Events

Thank you!

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